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We as servants of Christ and ambassadors of his Kingdom would like to remind you of our ministry here at Church Built of Living Stones. It is a ministry of reconciliation given to us by our Father. Our instruction is not to teach you the things of God in rules and regulations, but to encourage you that the only one who can teach you of the Father is Jesus Christ and he will do this by the power of his word and Spirit. Our teaching ministry towards you is for you to trust that you can be taught of the Lord and that you need no man to mediate between God and yourself except the man Christ Jesus.

This may be daunting to you at the beginning, but it will eventually release you into God's Holy Kingdom from which you will never wish to depart.

The attacks and slanders will be immense and will continue until the last enemy is overcome.

But fear not the Lord will be on your side. (Read Psalm 124).

The Kingdom of God is like leaven or yeast in a lump of dough and it is growing and advancing throughout the earth and will bear fruit to God's glory. We are saying that Christ is building his Kingdom and its inhabitants are as living stones built up to be a holy habitation for God. We will never have a bricks and mortar building. We do not solicit money to spread the good news. At the same time, we encourage giving to the poor in spirit, by this we mean give your whole life to Christ and his Kingdom and you will see the salvation of God in effect. Our endeavour is to see God's people go forth and proclaim Jesus and Christ's Kingdom without the restrictions of denominational power overriding them.

Everyman in the body of Christ Jesus has a purpose and can go forth in the power of God's Spirit with a new tongue and prophecy. The new tongue is the Gospel and the Spirit of Prophecy is the Lord Jesus Christ. They tell the world that God the Father is not holding their sins and lawlessness against them and that he grants them the Holy Spirit to guide and lead them into all truth.

The Holy Spirit leads them to Jesus and Jesus teaches them all things of the Father.

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### **May His Kingdom come**

We cry out in the wilderness of this present evil age amid the hindering religions of this world to the seeker, the broken hearted, the captives, the bound, the sick, the down trodden, the voiceless and those that live in darkness who see a great light – look up for your King comes. His name is Jesus and he brings a Kingdom which encompasses all the glories of the coming age. Seek and you shall find, ask and it will be given you, knock and it will be opened unto you. He will grant those that seek first his Kingdom riches of glory that this world knows nothing about. He comes not for the righteous but the sinner and he will receive you with open arms and give you a vision of hope that has its origins from the heart of God. Obey his calling - come into the light, don't hover on the edge of the light, come into the light, all your prayers will be answered in the light.

## Fear not, do not be afraid

In the world you will have trouble and tribulation from which none of us who belong to Jesus are exempt, as it is the arena of redemption for the faithful. Jesus' own words reverberate and echo in our minds "I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world". And in (1 John 4: 4) You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

We have warned for many months that men are going to be tried and to be found wanting because their trust is in the arm of the flesh which cannot save. It is abominable to see so called men of God fawning over leaders in the political sphere. It is paramount that prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all <u>Godliness</u> and <u>Holiness</u>. We must pray for these men, but not put our trust in them. There will be earthquakes, famines and pestilence in various places and fearful events and great signs from heaven and men's hearts will fail them through fear of the events coming on the earth. The only true peace comes from Christ who is our life, who is abiding in our hearts. Get ready for greater upheavals in the financial realm, where gold and silver will not be able to save as it corrodes. The corrosion will eat your flesh like fire. These are not my words they are the words of the apostle James (5: 3).

The warning to us all is not what do we trust in – but whom do we trust. *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your path.* 

Every man's work will be tried by fire and it will not be the evil one's purpose (though he may be an instrument). It will be Jesus' coming as the John the Baptist has prophesied in (Luke 3: 16-18).

16 John answered them all, "I baptise you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the holy Spirit and with fire. 17 His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." 18 And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them.

You may think these words troubling, but in essence they are the truth, and the truth is good news and will set you free.

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## September 2025 Message

Dear Friends,

#### **Matthew 24: 14**

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations and then the end will come.

The gospel which is a message of good news. Good news is usually associated with a message that supersedes what is currently known. Good news is a message of hope and truth that changes our belief. This change of belief must also convey something better than what we are experiencing at the present moment. It must convey the truth of better conditions than we now endure and bring about a change of thinking and deliver us into a better state of a living hope. The good news or the gospel that Jesus brought to this earth was the gospel or good news of the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is not some far off reality, but, is something that can be experienced now. This kingdom is what Jesus proclaimed to Judah and to all the Jews of the diaspora. His disciples were to take this gospel of the kingdom firstly to Jerusalem, then to the despised Samaritans and further to the dispersed Israelites throughout the whole world. Paul was raised up to take the gospel message to the gentiles. Now this gospel of good news could be proclaimed to every man, woman and child without fear or favour. This gospel of good news was now released to all the world. For God so loved the world he gave his one and only Son, so that whosoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3: 16.

Let the little children come unto me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to them. **Luke 18: 16**.

The message of eternal life which is the core message of the gospel, was now proclaimed not only to the Jews or the diaspora, but was now open to every nation, tribe and clan upon the earth. The disciples of Christ now could bring the good news that Jesus Christ had borne the sins of the whole world in his own body on the tree at Calvary and God was not holding their sins and trespasses against them. Now if they looked to Jesus who was God's only Son, they would gain the inheritance of life eternal. Jesus had paid the price and bore the penalty for sin for every man. When we are raised in faith in Christ, we are raised from the penalty of sin which is death. From the proclamation of the cross comes the power of God in love and mercy to raise the sinner from death to eternal life. This good news of the gospel of Christ opens the door to the kingdom of God which every believer can enter and inherit through faith in Jesus. This kingdom does not come by observation but nevertheless is more real than the world we now see and experience. This kingdom can only be inherited by faith in God's word of Christ. This faith which works by love comes by hearing and believing the word of Christ and becomes the evidence of things hoped for. The kingdom is right standing with God and brings the evidence and fruit of love, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit and those that serve Christ in this manner are pleasing to God and approved by men. Only the humble, meek and gentle inherit God's holy kingdom of the Son of his love. – He resists the proud, arrogant and unbelieving.

This kingdom is like a net that is let down into the water and catches all kinds of fish. It is indiscriminate and is not just confined to the Jews, but is open to everyone. The kingdom is not just words, but gospel words that have power to save and bring life. This life that the kingdom

refers to is the life that only existed in the earth spasmodically on irregular and temporary occasions, as the Holy Spirit moved upon selected men and women. This life was brought without measure into this world by Christ and is the life of the coming age of divine rule and sovereignty in the Lord. This kingdom reign is granted as a gift to those that still reside in vessels of clay, but have yielded and are filled with the Spirit of Christ the Lord. "The life I now live in the flesh I now live by the faith of the Son of God who loved us and died for us. It is no longer I that lives but Christ that lives in me". This is the abundant life that Christ Jesus grants to those who no longer live for themselves but firstly seek the kingdom of God and put their trust in his right standing with God his Father. Our right standing with God is through Christ alone, through faith alone. There is no other way, Jesus Christ is the way to the Father.

The true believer has no righteousness of their own and does not trust in his old self, but now lives with a new self-image that God has created out of nothing. This image or new self is a creation in Christ and is forever a slave and servant of Christ and lays down everything the old self trusted in. The new creation self, obeys the Word and Spirit in the obedience of faith. The new self-image is a free willing servant that lives in adoring gratitude and thankfulness. It seeks not its own but lays down its life so that many more may enter the kingdom of God. Its life in Christ is one of worship, adoration, and thankfulness and its first desire is one of prayer. This new nature seeks God's kingdom and asks, knocks and praises God its heavenly Father. It cries "ABBA" Father. Another attribute of the seeker is their understanding of their indebtedness to Christ and his Father. Their indebtedness is also to all men, Jew or gentile, the wise or foolish. Their understanding of their indebtedness is to cease from judgement and allow the righteous judge to bring about perfect judgement. We will all stand before the judgement seat of Christ for what we have done in the body. We as believers, must confess our sins before God and he is just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. The justice of God was met when mercy and judgement kissed in Christ on Calvary's cross.

If we then walk after the Spirit, we will find that Christ's judgement towards repentant sinners is one of no condemnation. This is the rule under the sovereign Lord in the kingdom of God. There is now no condemnation to those in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. Christ came into the world, not to condemn the world, but to save it.

The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, which is a tiny seed but grows to be the greatest shrub that its branches give shelter and nesting to the birds of the air. Every man can be included in this wonderful kingdom – the home of the body of Christ. This is the building God is building in Christ. A building of living stones built up as a holy habitation of the Lord. (1 Peter 2).

The kingdom of God casts out demons and heals the sick, as it is proclaimed and God's will is done on earth, as it is in heaven. The kingdom is a place where the prayers offered are according to the will of God. God's kingdom is not of this world, it is a kingdom that overcomes the systems and teachings of this world, yet submits to their authority. The kingdom comes and is not of this world, it is the ethereal rule and reign of the age to come. The kingdom of God is the reality of knowing the Father and the Son and their eternal holiness and goodness, this is eternal life, which will manifest its glory. When the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ fills the earth, then the end of the world has come. The end of the world comes to the individual when he or she enters the kingdom of God. They are then united with and gathered together in Christ with those from every generation past, present and future.

The kingdom of God is the reign and dominion of Christ in and over an individual's life. When two individuals (or more) come together as living stones, a miracle of Christ occurs and they become part of the living temple God is building. This of course does not begin in our present generation, because this has been happening since the days before Noah, but it appears as a beginning to us.

The great scripture passage of faith in Hebrews 11 declares that many before us desired to enter God's holy kingdom, because they sought a city whose builder and maker was God.

<sup>39</sup> These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. <sup>40</sup> God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. **Hebrews 11:39-40.** 

This again is made plain but in an exaggerated form of hyperbole as the new Jerusalem descending out of heaven in the book of Revelation chapter 21. The size and dimensions of this city and its splendour are astronomical and it is pure and full of glory and every precious stone, because the Lord God and the Lamb are the light of it. The inhabitants are those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life. Notice the book, is the book of life, the ones the Lamb has given life to. Also, this city is described as many kilometres wide, many kilometres long and many kilometres high. A better way to understand its dimensions is to compare it with the love of God described in the book of Ephesians chapter three.

# Ephesians 3: 1-20

<sup>1</sup> For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - <sup>2</sup> Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, 3 that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. 4 In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. <sup>6</sup> This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. <sup>7</sup>I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. <sup>8</sup> Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup> and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. <sup>10</sup> His intent was that now, through the ecclesia, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, <sup>11</sup> according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. 12 In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. <sup>13</sup> I ask you, therefore, not to be discouraged because of my sufferings for you, which are your glory. <sup>14</sup> For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family, in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup> I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how WIDE and LONG and HIGH and DEEP is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the ecclesia and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

The gospel and kingdom of God are like the love of God which is limitless and immeasurable.

Only those that know the life of Jesus is in them and submits to it, can understand the fellowship and the extent of Christ's forgiveness and love.

John the writer of 1 John, describes it this way – the way of true fellowship is when two individuals (or more) fellowship in the Father and the Son, Jesus.

<sup>1</sup> "That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched – this we proclaim concerning the <u>WORD OF LIFE</u>. <sup>2</sup> The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. <sup>3</sup> We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and the Son, Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> We write this to make your joy complete. **1 John 1: 1-4**.

John is declaring that he knew and fellowshipped with Christ in the flesh, but now he was fellowshipping with Christ in the Spirit with other believers. The scripture declares we are to love his appearing to us – the one we have not seen with our eyes, but whom we love in the Spirit.

The apostle John is openly declaring that what he had previously heard, that which he looked at and had seen and actually touched with his own hands, was the WORD OF LIFE. This was Jesus in the flesh. After this is a post death and resurrection proclamation. He was saying this eternal life had appeared to him and it was the same Jesus he had looked at and touched. He was testifying that this LIFE was with the Father. In other words, this man Jesus which he knew intimately who had come down from heaven, was truly the eternal life of God in the flesh. John was proclaiming that Jesus had been crucified and died and was now risen and he was having fellowship with him in the present. John said "not only am I fellowshipping with him, I am fellowshipping with his Father and I want to have fellowship with you" (meaning the reader). When we both fellowship with the Father and the Son this is when our joy is made complete. There is no darkness in this fellowship, only light. When the shed blood of the Lamb of God and his death are appropriated to our conscience by faith, it takes away our sin and blindness allowing true fellowship to occur.

The Lamb of God that walked on the banks of the river Jordan has paid the price for our sins and transgressions and the Father remembers our sins and iniquities no more. He has set before every man an open door, but the adversaries are many. Now any man can enter no matter what tribe, nation or clan he comes from, but only through Jesus Christ.

<sup>11</sup> "For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. <sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say "no" to ungodliness and worldly passions, to live self-controlled, upright and Godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope – the glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. <sup>15</sup> These then, are the things you should teach. Encourage and rebuke with all authority. Do not let anyone despise you. **Titus 2: 11-15**.

Christ has redeemed us from slavery to sin and now has taught us the freedom of slavery or servanthood to the righteousness of Christ and to now walk in the light as he is in the light.

<sup>4</sup> But when the kindness and love of God appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus our Saviour, <sup>7</sup> so that having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having hope of eternal life. <sup>8</sup> This is a trust worthy saying. And I want to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be

careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone. <sup>9</sup> But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because they are unprofitable and useless. **Titus 3: 4-9.** 

What is salvation? It is freedom from sin's power and dominion only through Christ and not through rules and regulations and teachings of men. Not only is Jesus the Lamb of God, the only way of salvation from sin and its power. He is the deliverer from its penalty. He releases us from death, which is the wages of sin. He not only freed us and delivered us from sin's power and penalty, he granted us the legal right to have the Holy Spirit come into our sinful heart and sanctify us and make us white as snow by renewal and rebirth in the new creation. We have a new image of ourselves when we look into the face of Jesus Christ and the Word of Life. The new self (against all opposition and deceiving teachings of men) looks into the perfect law of liberty as a mirror and sees the reflection of what our heavenly Father has created out of nothing. God our Father then causes us to lay down our old life and die with Christ, then through his own working power out of nothing creates a new man in Christ's image. He then gives us a new name, a new heart, a new kingdom, a new heaven, a new earth in which dwells righteousness. When we understand we are nothing in ourselves, then the glory of the Lord appears in the power of the Spirit, as Lord over all. The Sovereign Lord gives the overcomer a white stone with a new name on it and they will not be hurt by the second death.

<sup>6</sup> For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord almighty will accomplish this. Isaiah 9: 6-7.

All glory to the one who saved us and redeemed us from sin, death, mortality and judgement.

So be it.

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