



"The entrance of Thy words
giveth light..." (Ps 119:130a)

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**Being Enriched
in All Things
in 2019**

2 Cor 9:11
"...Being enriched in
every thing to all
bountifulness..."

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LIGHTHOUSE BBC OFFERS THANKSGIVING TO GOD THROUGH FIRSTFRUITS

"And it shall be, when thou art come in unto the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein; that thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the Lord thy God giveth thee, and shalt put it in a basket...and thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given unto thee..." (Deut 26:1-3).

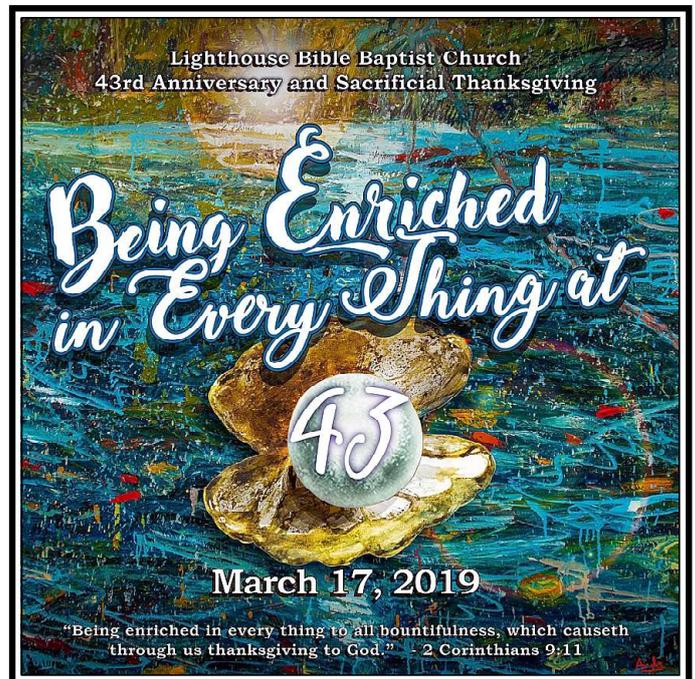
"Thou hast avouched the Lord this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his voice:

And the Lord hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath promised thee...and to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the Lord thy God, as he hath spoken" (Deut 26:17-19).

After receiving the promise of God to them when, finally, they possessed the Promised Land, the Hebrew people were taught by God the very first thing they had to do as a people. They were taught to do a thanksgiving as a people of God and, as a token, they had to bring to Him the firstfruits of the land.

The firstfruits served as the very evidence and token of the truthfulness of God's promise to them - which became a reality after more than 700 years when the promise was first given to Abraham.

When finally they did their Thanksgiving, they were declared by God to be His peculiar people. They became "above the usual." He made them high



The Lighthouse BBC Choir presents a medley of songs during the Thanksgiving Through Firstfruits last Sunday, September 15.

Third Quarter Focus :

Being Enriched in Every Thing to all Bountifulness

"Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness..." (2 Cor. 9:11).

"Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" (Eph. 3:21)

above all nations in praise, name, honor, even as a holy people before the Lord.

All these blessings became a reality to them after they became thankful.

The New Testament Church, the Ekklesia, also stands as God's peculiar people.

In Titus 2:13-14, the Apostle Paul teaches that the Lord Jesus gave Himself for us that we may be before Him, His peculiar people. He says, "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

The Apostle Peter, too, says in 1 Peter 2:9, "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light."

The Ekklesia is not one person made to be peculiar. What God made to be peculiar is a body of people, who became such after they learned the virtue of being thankful for what He had done for them.

It took a long time for the Hebrew nation to learn to be thankful. The Lord had to teach them and prove them in the wilderness forty years so they could rise above their murmurings and complaints. In fact, all those who murmured and who doubted Him all died in the wilderness. When finally, they entered the Promised Land, they could only obey God and become really thankful.

The fruitfulness of the land were what God told them to bring as they came before Him in thanksgiving. This harvest served as the very evidence and token of the truthfulness of God's promise. They brought these as a testament that indeed, God was true to His Word.

Thanksgiving is what we did as a body of people last Sunday, the reason we called our coming together as Thanksgiving Through Firstfruits. The Firstfruits attests the greatness of God's faithful promises to us as His people. And we offer the same as a bountiful harvest.

This is the truth behind Firstfruits giving. It is not a fund raising for us. Not simply an occasion or a ritual. It is a coming together of God's people in Thanksgiving with a testament.



LIGHTHOUSE BBC LAUNCHES NEWEST MINISTRY, THE LIGHTHOUSE SPECTRUM

One of the significant features of last Sunday's Thanksgiving services was the public introduction of the newest ministry of the Lighthouse BBC - the LIGHTHOUSE SPECTRUM.

It was during the 60th birthday celebration of Pastor Reuben in May of last year when he first presented the plan to have such a ministry.

The Lighthouse BBC is one of the very few churches which has an archive of services, preachings and special occasion since 1978. The recording of services during those days used audio cassette tapes. When the Beta and VHS recording came in the 90s, Pastor Reuben, along with Brothers Edwin Ballesteros, Jomar Policarpio and some other brothers and sisters came together to start the Lighthouse Audio-Video Ministry. This also became material in Tatay Abante having a regular Radio Ministry. When the Internet came, the ministry came to be called, Lighthouse Audio-Video-Internet Ministry. Pastor Reuben also started the archive of these materials starting with then Lina Calma (Santiago), Beth Macopia (Gonzales) and now Daisy Ku.



WATCH The LIGHTHOUSE CAFE TV TALK SHOW and MGA MUNTING

ILAW every Saturday; and THE PULPIT, featuring our Sunday morning services, every Sunday on GCTV, Ch 185 on SIGNAL. The Mga Munting Ilaw Kids Show is seen every Saturday and Sunday at 7pm. Moreover, the PopLife TV, Ch 72 on SkyCable also airs Lighthouse Cafe TV Talk Show (Mon-Sat, 6-7am), and Mga Munting Ilaw on Sundays (6:30am) and Thurs (5pm).



The many years of recording and archiving resulted to thousands of content materials which the church stewards - thus the need for the Lighthouse Spectrum.

The Lighthouse Spectrum is the first ever church ministry that offers 24/7 TV programming, Live streaming and video-on-demand. Install the App now on your Android phones and tabs.



Top photo, the combined fellowship groups from Lighthouse BBC Talon as they present a drama written by Mark Rosales and Diane Peralta. Lower photo, Pastor Reuben as he preaches during the morning service last week with a stage beautifully decorated with truckloads of fruits and vegetables. Praise God for the Thanksgiving of His people!

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