



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

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**Being Faithful
and True in 2022**

Rev 22:6,7
"These sayings are
faithful and true...
blessed is he that
keepeth..."

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LIGHTHOUSE BBC TO CELEBRATE 46th ANNIVERSARY AND GIVE SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS NEXT SUNDAY

"Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ" (1 Pet 2:5).

"...let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually...do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased" (Heb 13:15-16).

"...I have all, and abound: I am full, having received...the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God" (Phil 4:18).

Next week, March 20, exactly two years since we were all quarantined to our homes because of the Covid19 pandemic, we shall come together physically in our most prepared state, to hold our 46th Anniversary and offer to the Lord our sacrificial offerings that serve as our one "odour of sweet smell, a sacrifice, wellpleasing to God."

The Lord has prepared us much for this coming together. He used the challenges we faced these 2 years so we may learn to rise above the challenges

and limitations which we faced in this pandemic, effectively using both our people and the provisions, which through His grace, made us to raise our immune system and be able, both to continue and effectively do the work of the Lord, even to have our own employments and businesses.

The Apostle Paul, writing to the church in Corinth, instructed them "not to be unprepared" for the giving of their "bounty." He told them in 2 Cor 9:3-5, "...have I sent the brethren...that, as I said, ye may be ready: lest haply if they of Macedonia come with me, and find you unprepared, we (that we say not, ye) should be ashamed in this same confident boasting. Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your bounty, whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as a matter of bounty, and not as of covetousness."

May we, as one body of believers, being Lighthouse Bible Baptist Church, indeed, be able to offer to God "a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God," as Paul describes in our text. He describes the offerings of the members of the Philippian church as one sacrifice to the Lord. Let us also present ourselves to the Lord as one Ekklesia, giving one sacrifice. - PRA



This picture tells much of the readiness of the Lighthouse BBC for the much-awaited 46th Anniversary and Sacrificial Celebration next Sunday, March 20. Everyone looks forward to the Coming Together.

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FIRST QUARTER FOCUS

**KNOWING
HIM
WHO IS TRUE,
BEING
IN HIM
WHO IS
TRUE**

"...that we may
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we are in Him
that is true..."

1 John 5:20

**BEING FAITHFUL
& TRUE IN 2022**

First Quarter Focus :

"Knowing Him Who is True, Being in Him Who is True"

"...that we may Know Him that is true...we are in Him that is true..." (1 John 5:20).

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

TITLE : OUR WORTHINESS AS EKKLESIA, OUR SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES.

TEXT :

1 Peter 2:5, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

INTRODUCTION

The Ekklesia is a body of people who have been accepted in the Beloved.

Paul says in Eph 1:4-6, "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved."

What he says is, we have been accepted by God through the sacrifice of His dear Son.

A) The Ekklesia, as a body should manifest its worthiness of such acceptance.

Eph 4:1, " therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called."

Col 1:10, "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God."

1 Thess 2:12, "That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory."

2 Thess 1:11-12, "Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."

B) The Ekklesia should "prove" what is acceptable to the Lord.

Eph 5:8-10, "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord."

Rom 12:1-2, " I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

C) The word of truth has been ministered to the Ekklesia that our offerings may be acceptable to God.

Rom 15:16, "That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost."

D) The Ekklesia is equipped by the examples of the early churches by way of their acceptable sacrifices.

Phil 4:18, "But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God."

E) More examples of works acceptable to God.

1 Peter 2:20, "For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God."

1 Tim 2:1-4, "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth."

1 Tim 5:4, "But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God."

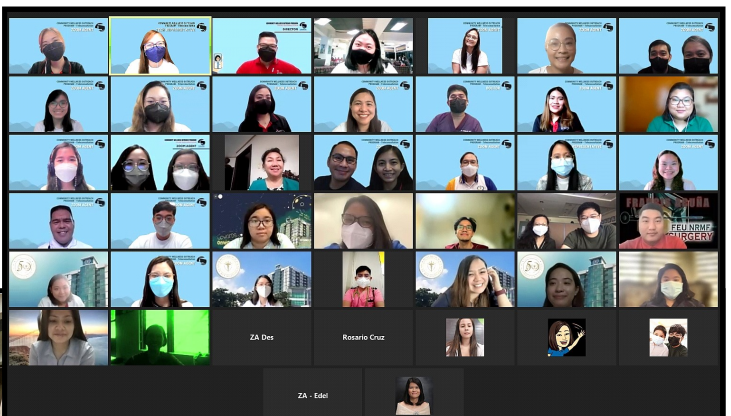
F) Christ is worthy to receive such acceptable sacrifices.

Rev 4:11, "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

Rev 5:12, "Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing."

2 Cor 5:9-10, "Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."

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Left picture, the 250-voice joint Lighthouse BBC choir, along with the 40-member LCO record their number last Sunday night. Top and bottom right pictures, the CWOP TeleConsultation on-site and on-line teams pose for their picture after the worthy event yesterday.

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