

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

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## Being Faithful and True in 2022

<u>Rev 22:6,7</u>

"These sayings are faithful and true... blessed is he that keepeth..."

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# LIGHTHOUSE BBC TO HOLD MOTHERS SUNDAY NEXT WEEK

"Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise..." (Eph 6:2).

"Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old" (Prov 23:22).

"A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother" (Prov 15:20).

The eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it" (Prov 30:17).

The giving of honor to mothers is one of the distinct characteristic of true New Testament churches. And as an Ekklesia of the Lord Jesus Christ, we have taken it to ourselves to do as how the Ephesian church was instructed by the Apostle Paul to honor fathers and mothers.

We live in days when human rights advocates teach that children may not only be given the right to despise parents but even to curse and "cancel" them publicly.

Indeed, we see the reality of the Scriptures when it declares, "There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother. There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness. There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up" (Prov 30:11-13).

This is such generation that we see today. For this reason, we consider the holding of M

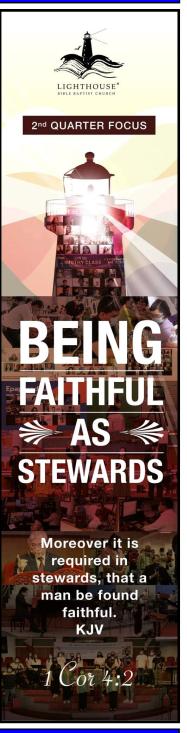
For this reason, we consider the holding of Mothers Sunday as one of the most important events we do as Lighthouse Bible Baptist Church.

Being so, all mothers and grandmothers are enjoined to be present in our Coming Together next Sunday as we recognize and honor the mothers in our midst.

We take note that we now have the great privilege to not simply hold our Coming Together with the most number of mothers. In addition to this, we shall have our photostudio setup so mothers and families may take their respective portraits. Those who have taken it as their ministry to do photography will be the ones to take the pictures. Of course, families may also use the photobooths to be set up in the church lobby.

The recognition of mothers will be done during the LED class time, from 9-10am. Mothers are requested to send their latest portraits to their respective Sentinels. Pictures will then be organized and recognition will be done by districts.

Let us have a grand time of fellowship with all Lighthouse mothers next week! - PRA





Second Quarter Focus : "Being Faithful As Stewards"

"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." (1 Cor. 4:2)

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

#### TITLE : BIBLICAL GUIDELINES IN CHOOSING CANDIDATES

2 Sam 23:3, "...He that ruleth over men must be just, TEXT : ruling in the fear of God."

#### INTRODUCTION

Our best guide in life is the Word of Truth. What it teaches applies to every aspect of our lives, personal, family, business, community, even as we take the responsibility to select the candidates for the current national and local elections next month.

The wise man Solomon says in Ps 127:1, "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." What this passage tells us is, even as a nation, we cannot put God outside of governance. He remains the Builder of our Nation-Home. His Word is our Blue-Print.

May this series of lessons equip us as a people of God who submit ourselves to the ordinance of man.

Continued...

11) Choose people who will govern not simply from the point of view of title and power. Rather choose people who will make a government that is revered and regarded greatly by all our people.

Rom 13:5, "Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake." KJV

Rom 13:5, "Another reason to obey, besides fear of punishment, is for the sake of conscience." CJB

We want a government that is not just feared by those that do evil, but one that is revered and regarded greatly by our people. Our people go overseas because they feel that government does not care.

12) Choose people who will continuously attend to the faithful stewardship of both the taxes of our people and resources of our beloved land.

Rom 13:6, "For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing." KJV

Let us choose candidates who will be faithful and true in stewarding our taxes and natural resources. This is an obvious quality.

### 13) Choose people who exhibit true faithfulness and loyalty to all, whether man, institution, creed or country.

Rom 13:7, "Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour "KIV

Rom 13:7, "Pay everyone what he is owed: if you owe the taxcollector, pay your taxes; if you owe the revenue-collector, pay revenue; if you owe someone respect, pay him respect; if you owe someone honor, pay him honor." CJB

Let us choose candidates who show faithfulness and loyalty to all. We need people in government who stay loyal to our country and people, who will not exchange our beloved land for other nations. Who will be true patriots.

Luke 16:10. "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much." KJV

### 14) Choose people who have a clear program of governance that will uplift the poor, needy, afflicted and persecuted.

Ps 82:3-4, "Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy. Deliver the poor and needy: rid them out of the hand of the wicked." KJV

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Ps}}$  82:3-4, "Give justice to the weak and fatherless! Uphold the rights of the wretched and poor! Rescue the destitute and needy; deliver them from the power of the wicked!î "  $\ \mbox{CJB}$ 

Let us choose candidates who have a platform of government that clearly defines how to address the needs of the poor, needy, afflicted and persecuted.

#### 15) Choose people who will do everything in the fear of God, faithfully and with a perfect heart.

2 Chron 19:9, "And he charged them, saying, Thus shall ye do in the fear of the Lord , faithfully, and with a perfect heart." KJV 2 Chron 19:9, "The king charged them, Do this in the fear of the

Lord, faithfully, with integrity and a blameless heart." AMP

Let us choose candidates who will put their whole being into what they should be as government officials, whether national and local.



Top photo, Pastor Reuben and family pose for a picture with various Lighthouse BBC leaders last Wednesday during the surprise birthday celebration. Lower photo, pastors and wives who form the Baptist Day Celebration movement in Batangas pose for a picture immediately after the Baptist Day Celebration held at the Batangas City Coliseum last May 2. Attendance was around 2,000.

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