

"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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3rd QUARTER FOCUS

LIGHTHOUSE BBC ENTERS THANKSGIVING MONTH

"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving" (Col 2:6-7).

"That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work...increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might...unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father..." (Col 1:10-12).

where have finally entered our thanksgiving month of September as Lighthouse Bible Baptist Church and we look forward with anticipation of a great Thanksgiving Firstfruits on Sept 18, just two weeks away.

Of all of Paul's epistles to churches, it is to the Colossean church that he mentions most the words: thanks, thankful and thanksgiving. It is clear that it is to this church that he emphasized the virtue of being thankful as an Ekklesia.

The Ekklesia is a body of people that has the fullness of Christ (Eph 1:22). And it is the only institution on earth that outflows the manifold grace of God in Christ in all ministries. In addition, it is the body that is grounded, rooted in the love of Christ. Because of this, there is no reason that the Ekklesia should not be filled with thanksgiving with every member outflowing the grace of God in each.

The prayer of the Apostle Paul for the Colossean church as mentioned in chapter 1:10-12 bears the qualities that we also should possess, that of walking worthily of the Lord, being fruitful in every good work, increasing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened through all sufferings and last, but certainly not the least, giving thanks to the father.

From this, we can see clearly the importance of thanksgiving as a quality of an Ekklesia. This is what should be seen as we enter this month of September, as we look forward to our Thanksgiving Firstfruits. - PRA





Third Quarter Focus: "Shining the True Light"

The members of the core of the Lighthouse Community Wellness Outreach Program pose for a picture along with officers of the Rotary of Midtown Diliman after the successful program yesterday.

"...the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth" (1 John 2:8).

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

ENRICHMENT & DEVELOPMENT CLASS LESSON LED Lesson 08.21.2022

TITLE : THE FAMILY AS INSTITUTION TEXT :

Matt 7:24-25

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

INTRODUCTION

What is the family as an institution?

1) It is an institution of God.

Ps 127:1-2, "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. It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep."

2) It is an institution of unity.

Gen 2:22-24, "And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh."

Mark 3:25, "And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand."

3) It is an institution of authority, honor and respect.

Gen 18:19, "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him."

Ex 20:12, "Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee."

4) It is an institution of teaching and learning.

Deut 6:5-9, "And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates."

5) It is an institution of service.

Josh 24:15, "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Ps 101:2, "I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart."

6) It is an institution of faith.

2 Tim 1:5, "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also."

7) It is an institution of provision and sustenance.

Luke 11:11-13, "If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"

8) It is an institution of discipline and order.

Heb 12:5-12, "And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth."





Top photo, Rima Teologo as she delivers her speech before a full auditorium. Lower photo, the graduates, students with honors, Lighthouse pastors and advisers pose for a picture after the biggest Lighthouse Baccalaureate Service and Recognition. Praises to God!

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