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Standing fast, **Serving God** as free in 2023.

> **Galatians 5:1;** Romans 6:22

"Standfast...being made free from sin, and become servants to God..."

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# **ALL MINISTRIES FOCUS ON** THANKSGIVING AS LIGHTHOUSE BBC ENTERS THANKSGIVING MONTH

of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thes 5:18).

"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).

ur establishment as an Ekklesia of the Lord Jesus Christ is marked by "abounding therein with thanksgiving." This virtue cannot be discounted in our existence as a work of God. In fact, thanksgiving must abound in us seeing that His grace abounds.

We all know how "God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" (2 Cor 9:8).

Our thanksgiving is not based in things that we simply receive, material, even spiritual - but our thanksgiving abounds because He makes us to abound in every good work.

To be able to do His work - to be steadfast, unmovable and abounding in doing the work is the very basis of

"In every thing give thanks: for this is the will our thanksgiving to God. And this is unlike those who think that their bases of thanksgiving are the ones they simply receive from God as material, physical, financial and all other things that this world considers as significant.

> This material world has changed the very mindset of many believers today. And even churches are simply basing their thanksgiving to God for simply being at the "receiving end of God's blessings."

> Thanksgiving itself is something that we consider as "doing". This is the reason why we come together, gather ourselves together and bring before God the firstfruit results of His grace which enables us to do. This is our walk and this is where we have been created in Christ Jesus to do (Eph 2:10).

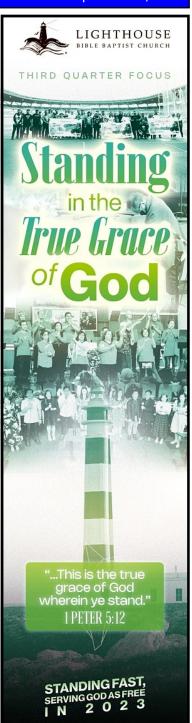




The TGLFI's ALERT Team poses for a picture with Pastor Reuben after the Blood Extraction program yesterday. More than 300 people were extended the service in partnership with SBSI. Praise God!

Third Quarter Focus: Standing in the True Grace of God

"...This is the true grace of God wherein ye stand." (1 Peter 5:12)



## ENRICHMENT & DEVELOPMENT CLASS LESSON

LED Lesson 08.13.2023-01

TITLE : THE WILL OF GOD AND THE GRACE

OF GOD

Text/s: "..that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God" (Col 4:12).

### INTRODUCTION

Mas was created by God in perfection. But sin came and when it did, it made the whole mankind sinners, even affecting the whole creation, and brought adversities, pain, sufferings, illnesses and death. It brought evil desires, lusts that involved the whole being of man.

All these are not in the decreed plan of God. They are not the will of God for man as His will remained that man be perfect before Him.

God's will for man came through Jesus Christ, Who when He came brought grace and truth to

This lesson is prepared so that everyone in Lighthouse BBC may be settled on the truth that the will of God for His children is not in the circumstances and situations that we have because of sin. The will of God is, that because Christ came and we get to know Him through His Word, we may do contrary to sin, serve Him, please Him and glorify Him in our lives as we obey and do His Word.

# A) The Lord Jesus did the Father's will through the things that He faced as He did His earthly ministry.

John 4:34, "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."

John 5:30, "I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me."

John 6:38-40, "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

Matt 6:10, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

### B) As exemplified by Christ, the will of God is done by God's children in obedience to His Word, contrary to sin in whatever situation.

Matt 7:18,24-27, "A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

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: 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.

And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it."

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Top photos, various ministry personnel and TGLFI partners took part in the Blood Extraction yesterday. Those involved with the Deaf Ministry, the Solo Parents and MedTechs from partnering institutions as FEU, Philippine Coastguard and UST helped extend the service to those in need. Lower photo, the LighthouseBBC Men of various congregations and groups met last Friday and were challenged by Pastor Reuben to take more responsibilities as leaders. We continue to raise leaders as we appreciate the grace of God in everyone.