



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

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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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LIGHTHOUSE BBC OFFERS TO GOD THANKSGIVING FIRSTFRUITS NEXT SUNDAY

"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine" (Prov 3:9-10).

"...thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth...thou shalt set it before the Lord thy God, and worship before the Lord thy God...and thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given unto thee..." (Deut 26:2,10-11).

"...let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing" (Ps 107:22).

If there is anything we should learn in how the Lord God dealt with the nation of Israel, it is in how they were commanded, even taught, how to offer thanksgiving.

The New Testament explicitly declares that it is the will of God for His Ekklesia to be thankful in everything,

highlighting that it is the will of God for His people to be thankful in everything. The letter of the Apostle Paul to the church in Thessalonica clearly says this, "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thes 5:18).

The "how" to be thankful to God as His people is exemplified in our texts found in Proverbs, Deuteronomy and Psalm.

We all know as Lighthouse BBC, that the will of God is something that we do in careful obedience to what God's Word tells us, whether by direct command or as example. And in the matter of thanksgiving, the Bible is very clear.

As Ekklesia, we want to offer thanksgiving to God in the way that is most pleasing to Him, however we are tempted to give Him thanks according to our convenience. It is also clear to us that in the matter of pleasing God through giving, we can only do so through sacrifice. And the Bible teaches us that we need to offer to Him our sacrifice of thanksgiving, even declaring His works with rejoicing. This is exactly what we will do as Lighthouse BBC next week. Let us therefore look forward to a great Thanksgiving next Sunday! - PRA



Sentinel Rollie Teologo (LD1) gives instructions to people as the Community Wellness Outreach Program (CWOP) opens yesterday. More than 2,200 services were extended to 1,377 people.

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THIRD QUARTER FOCUS

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THANKSGIVING FIRSTFRUITS AS "SHAKEN TOGETHER" GIVING

SHAKEN TOGETHER	Firstfruits	Thanksgiving Firstfruits	Rejoicing and Thankful Stewards
<p>Luke 6:38, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."</p>	<p>Prov 3:9-10, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Deut 26:10-11, "And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits... And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given unto thee..."</p>	<p>The Thanksgiving offerings for the whole year are used for various special needs and projects of the church.</p>	<p>Ps 107:22, "...let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing."</p>
<p><u>SHAKEN TOGETHER PROVISION comes as a result of FIRSTFRUITS GIVING</u></p>	<p>Neh 10:35, "And to bring the firstfruits of our ground, and the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, year by year, unto the house of the Lord." Prov 3:9-10, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In honor and worship to God <p>Deut 26:10, "And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God: Prov 3:9 9 Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: KJV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In thanksgiving to God <p>Deut 26:10-11, "And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it</p> </p></p>		

before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God: And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you.

- In consecration to God

Deut 26:17, "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:

- In obedience to God

Exod 34:26, "The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the LORD thy God."

- On a set day

Num 28:26, "Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meat offering unto the LORD, after your weeks be out, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work:

- On a yearly frequency

Neh 10:35, "And to bring the firstfruits of our ground, and the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, year by year, unto the house of the LORD:

- In no delay (with diligent preparation)

Exod 22:29, "Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.



Clockwise from top left, PM Dick Ku gives instructions to everyone extending wellness services to the community at the start of the Community Wellness Outreach Program yesterday. Medical doctors attend to patients at the north wing of the Lighthouse sanctuary. The basketball court area filled with people being counseled with the Pharmacy occupying the area near the GCTV studio. At the main sanctuary, counselors occupy the choirloft. Yesterday was the biggest CWOP since the pandemic, but the most organized!

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