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**Increasing More** and More in 2024

1Thess 4:10b,

"...we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more."

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## LIGHTHOUSE BBC CELEBRATES 48th ANNIVERSARY AND SACRIFICIAL THANKSGIVING NEXT SUNDAY

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

"...the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God" (Lev 19:34).

"Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt...fear the Lord thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave...He is thy praise, and he is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things..." (Deut 10:19-21)

ext Sunday, March 17, as Lighthouse Bible Baptist Church, along with our related ministries, we will celebrate our 48th Anniversary and offer to God our Sacrificial Thanksgiving.

One may not be aware, but more than 12 years ago, whenever we would have our Anniversary and Thanksgiving celebrations, we would show how

committed we are to please God and be fruitful in every good work. We extend ourselves to communities around more than what we usually do.

As God's people, Israel did the same manner when they eventually came to dwell in Canaan. They were commanded to show love even to strangers living among them and extend to them favor as they observed their feasts. This marked their readiness before God.

Yesterday's Community Wellness Outreach Program was not just an effort to be good to people around us, even if they do not know the Lord. What we actually do when we have this undertaking is, we take to ourselves what God wants to see in our hearts as His people.

The ministries that we do, however difficult or challenging they may be physically, reflect the kind of thanksgiving we offer to God according to what pleases Him. And if we are more than willing to please Him through these undertakings, how can we not be willing to offer Him our sacrificial thanksgiving especially when we realize the "great and terrible (awesome) things" which He has done for us. Let us therefore come before God on Sunday with our Sacrificial Thanksgiving. - PRA

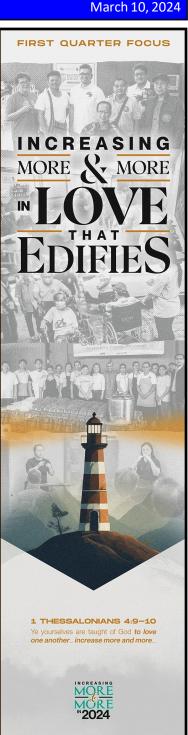


Members of the Registration Team of the Community Wellness Outreach Program of March, 2024 take a photo with Pastor Reuben after the big undertaking yesterday. A total of 2,304 health, medical and wellness services were extended by 431 manpower. 283 made professions of faith and 148 were assured. Praises to God!

First Quarter Focus:

"Increasing More and More in Love that Edifies

"...ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another...increase more and more..." (1 Thess 4:9-10).



ENRICHMENT & DEVELOPMENT CLASS LESSON Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek LED Lesson 02.28.2024.01 Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord

TITLE: THE WORK AND LABOR OF LOVE

THAT EDIFIES
Text/s: Rom 12:9-21

## INTRODUCTION

The working of the ministry is essentially the working out or the very operation of the love of Christ in the lives of the members of the Ekklesia. It is the love of Christ that constrains or takes hold of us. Whatever work we do stems from the love of Christ in us. That love therefore should be without dissimulation (without hypocrisy, with all sincerity, genuine, not for a show).

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2) The discernment in the love of Christ. Abhorrence of evil. Cleaving to what is eternally beneficial. "Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good."

1 Peter 3:10-12, "For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil."

3) The affection and preference in the love of Christ. "Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another."

1 John 5:1-5, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"

1 John 3:14-16, "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no

murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

4) The diligence in the love of Christ. "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord"

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Top photo, a portion of the more than 400-strong manpower take a group photo before the start of yesterday's Community Wellness Outreach Program (CWOP). Second row photos, Clockwise from left: the LOCK team, Burden Bearers, ALERT, Pharmacy Team, Food Committee and Counseling Team. 214 personnel made up the teams from Lighthouse and 217 came from various partners. Praises to God for His Manifold Grace in His people!