

MESSAGE

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Bible Reading :

Song/s :

Other references :

INTRODUCTION

The work of the Lord is one ministry. It is the ministry of the Spirit in the whole body through His distribution of gifts upon every member.

As Ekklesia, we abide in Christ, He abides in us and His word, which sanctifies, abides in us (John 15:3-4, 7-8). Our life is "hid with Christ in God" (Col 3:1-4). These verses teach us that Christ is the reason for all our being. We therefore DO NOT bring Christ to our engagements and fields of work. Rather, He is the reason for our being. Because we are in Christ, because we dwell in Him, He becomes the very reason for our relationships, our jobs, works, fields, etc.

The proper perspective should that we place ourselves in Him and make Him to be the very basis for all our decisions and engagements in life. This is the truth that is behind Rom 12:1-8. We present our lives to Him

as living sacrifices. We place ourselves in Him. When we do this, we never have the problem of “bringing Christ to our relationships, our jobs, our engagements” because He becomes the very reason for all these.

When we place our lives in Him, He begins His work in us and we, in turn, willingly accept His work in us. When He works in us, He places in our hearts and lives His very qualities and virtues. These are then the ones that are seen in our lives and in all our engagements. His virtues in us become the ones that we demonstrate when we “work out” our deliverance (successes in our fields). Phil 2:12-14.

His virtues in us are further developed through the distribution of the gifts of the Spirit. Through these gifts, we are able to “supply” to every member as we become fitly joined and compacted together as Ekklesia (Eph 4:16). This quality is seen in the lives of people like Barnabas, Luke, Aquila and Priscilla, Apollos, etc.

The Lighthouse BBC is cognizant of this truth and through the EMC, challenges every member to present their bodies as offerings to God both for our successes in our respective fields and for various ministry areas.

The EMC also identifies new areas of ministries which may be done during this time of pandemic.

For whatever can be done by each, we focus more on how God first works in us so His virtues and attributes might be in us.

BODY

A) The Ekklesia

B) The Ministry

It was the Lord Jesus Himself who spoke about ministering...

Matt 20:25-28

25 But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them.

26 But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;

27 And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

28 Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

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Mark 10:42-45

42 But Jesus called them to him, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.

43 But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:

44 And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

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Then the Apostle Paul before King Agrippa...

Acts 26:13-19

13 At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me.

14 And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

17 Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee,
18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.
19 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:
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There is are ministries for specific areas.

In reference to “carnal” things

Rom 15:25-27

25 But now I go unto Jerusalem to minister unto the saints.

26 For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor saints which are at Jerusalem.

27 It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things.

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The Apostle Paul was a minister of Christ to the Gentiles

Rom 15:16

16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

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Rom 15:15-21

15 Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God,

16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

17 I have therefore whereof I may glory through Jesus Christ in those things which pertain to God.

18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed,

19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

20 Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation:

21 But as it is written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand.

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1 Cor 9:13-14

13 Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?

14 Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

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Eph 3:6-8

6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

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9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

13 Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.

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Col 1:25

25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

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Ministering grace

Eph 4:29

29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

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The are certain qualities of those who minister

1 Tim 4:6

6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

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The kind of ministry we all have.

A ministry one to another.

1 Peter 4:10-11

10 As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

11 If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified

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A ministry of the saints

1 Cor 16:15

15 I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)

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A ministry because of the mercy of God

2 Cor 4:1

1 Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not;

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2 Cor 5:18

18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

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A ministry synonymous to the work of the Lord

Eph 4:12-16

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

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A ministry from the Lord

Col 4:17

17 And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.

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1 Tim 1:12

12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;

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A full proof ministry

2 Tim 4:5

5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

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A ministry in which those who are in it become profitable

2 Tim 4:11

11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry.

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C) The ministry as a function of work of those who give out light

Matt 5:16

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

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How Do Generators Create Electricity?

Generators don't actually create electricity. Instead, they convert mechanical or chemical energy into electrical energy. They do this by capturing the power of motion and turning it into electrical energy by forcing electrons from the external source through an electrical circuit. A generator is essentially an electrical motor working in reverse.

Some electrical generators, such as those at Hoover Dam, for example, are huge and provide enormous amounts of energy by transferring the power created by water turning turbines into electricity. Residential and commercial generators, however, are much smaller and rely on more traditional fuel sources like diesel, gas, and propane to create mechanical power that can then be forced into a circuit and induce an electrical current.

Once an electrical current has been established, it is directed through copper wires to power external machines, devices, or entire electrical systems.

Modern generators can be attributed to Michael Faraday's principle of electromagnetic induction. Faraday discovered that when a conductor moves in a magnetic field, electrical charges could be created and directed to create a flow of current. At its most basic, an electrical generator is nothing more than an electromagnet - moving wire near a magnet to direct the flow of electricity. It's similar to how a pump pushes water through a pipe.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5BO5eZ9g8U>

Activity: How do generators produce electricity?[\[Print\]](#) **Key Learning Points:**

1. Electromagnetic induction
2. AC generator
3. Outline of AC generator in power plant
4. Communication

Teachers' notes: [\[ZIP\]](#)  *Typical results and students' worksheet.***Introduction:**

In this activity, you will

- do an experiment with a simple AC generator found in a school laboratory to display the waveform of the electromotive force on a CRO
- identify the different parts of the generator and explain their functions

AC generators in power plants are much more complex than those found in school laboratories. However, we can still gain a heuristic understanding of their basic structure and operation in this activity.

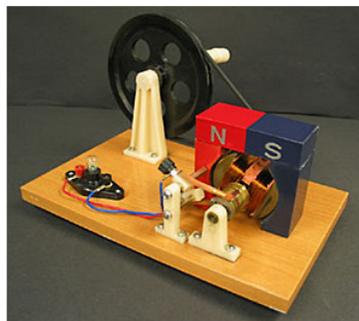


Fig. 1 Simple AC generator found in a school laboratory

Part I

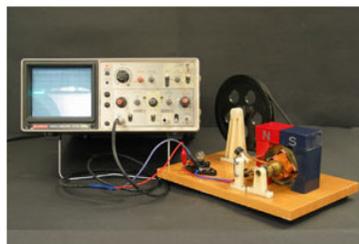
Notes to teachers: The students may actually do the experiment, or observe the experimental results on the video clip.

[Video of the experiment](#) [Low](#) [High](#) [DL](#)

Procedures:

Apparatus: AC generator in school laboratory, CRO.

1. Set up the apparatus as shown in Fig. 1.
2. Turn the handle of the generator and note the brightness of the light bulb. Turn the handle faster then slower to see how the brightness changes.
3. Connect the output of the generator to a CRO. Turn the handle and adjust the time base of the CRO until a waveform is displayed on screen. Take a photo of the waveform and put it on the student worksheet.



4. On the worksheet, identify different parts of the AC generator on the photo with those labeled on the schematic diagram.

Fig. 2 The generator connected to a CRO

5. View the Flash animation below and prepare a short presentation to explain to the class how the generator outputs the AC current, and whether what you observed on the animation is consistent with what you observed on the CRO.

Flash animation: Simple AC generator

Discussion:

1. What happens to the brightness of the light bulb when you turn the handle more rapidly? Explain this in terms of the principles of electromagnetic induction.
2. What does the waveform on the CRO look like? What happens if you turn the handle more rapidly?
3. Is the waveform you observed on the CRO the same as that in the animation? Why and why not?

Part II

Looking at a power plant AC generator

In Part I, an AC current was generated by turning the coils of the generator in a magnetic field. The magnetic field was produced by two stationary permanent magnets.

In a power plant generator, however, the conducting coils are stationary and it is the magnets that are turned. Also, the magnetic field in power plant generators is produced by electromagnets (instead of permanent magnets) with current supplied by an external power source. The functioning of the coils and electromagnets in power plant generators to produce a high AC output are very complex and will not be discussed here.

Fig. 3 is a schematic diagram of a power plant generator. Work out how it functions and explain this to your classmates in a short presentation. (Fig. 4 shows an illustration of a real power plant generator.)

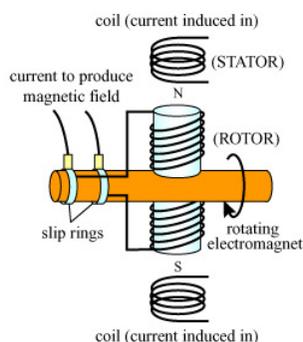


Fig. 3 Schematic diagram showing how a practical generator produces electricity. The rotating electromagnet produces a changing magnetic field which induces a current in the surrounding coil. The windings of a real generator are much more complex.

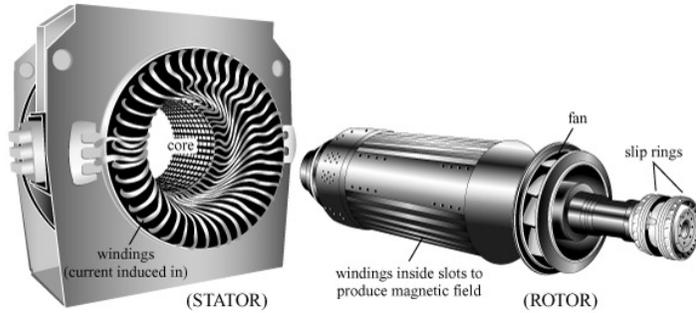


Fig. 4 Illustration of a real power plant generator. Stator refers to the part that does not move, and rotor refers to the part that is rotated inside the stator. The rotor is a large electromagnet with windings inside to produce a magnetic field. As it rotates inside the stator, induced current is generated at the windings of the stator

D) The People of the Ministry

Where it all started

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John 15:4-5

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

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Titus 2:11-15

11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

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Heb 13:20-21

20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
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Rom 12:1-8

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

4 For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:

5 So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

7 Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;

8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

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CONCLUSION

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