



We look forward to welcoming you to our services on the **4th Sunday** of every month from 3pm, at:

ST ANDREW'S URC CHURCH
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CHOIR CELEBRATES THIRD ANNIVERSARY

The fellowship's Choir celebrated their third anniversary this February. It is incredible to think that it has already been three years since the choir was set up, and from their humble beginnings, this group has consistently worked hard to provide a delightful praise musical interlude at offertory collection. The congregation expressed their appreciation, and Dr Prince Engmann prayed for the group. Following this, Mr. Mensah, the group's Choir-master led the choir in a medley of songs to mark the occasion.



We appeal for more members to join this fun team to sing praises and play the various basic-musical instrument available.

Dr Engmann also appealed for someone to assist Mr Mensah in leading the choir and recalled with fondness Mr. Mensah's Music leadership experiences going back some forty 40-odd years. Bro William Lartey volunteered to assist Mr. Mensah.

REPORT ON PASTORAL LEADERS TRAINING - 17TH FEBRUARY, 2018

This was held at St. Andrews URC with Bros. Ben, Prince, and Edward as the facilitators. We had 16 attendees, which was very encouraging. Topics discussed included:

- Review of the past year
- Areas of improvement
- Pastoral care as a ministry
- Safeguarding issues

To improve this ministry, the following were suggested:

- Ensuring Fellowship members know their groupings and respective group leadership.
- Arrangement for pastoral group members to interact during fellowship meetings.
- Training e.g. communication/listening skills.

As regards to trying new things at fellowship days, it was suggested we look at the following areas:

- Incorporate bible studies
- Revamp the youth ministry e.g. incorporate social activities focusing on the youth.



PASTORAL LETTER

Dear Friends,

Let us give thanks to our Lord for our lives and all those who have influenced us on this our Christian journey. I guess with Christmas celebrations out of the way, some of us are gearing ourselves up for Easter, which as usual will be celebrated with a whimper (compared to what happens at Christmas).

If Paul's assertion that without the resurrection, which is the crux of the Christian faith, we are most to be pitied, I wonder why we spend so much time, money and effort on Christmas celebrations? To me, the bible wants us to focus on the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is because it is our response to what Jesus did on the cross that determines where we shall be spending our lives after death.

The Easter celebration is supposed to bring into focus the price Jesus Christ paid for our sins but unfortunately, it is a message many

do not want to hear. Paul says the message of the cross is foolishness to those lost. As we prepare for Easter, may we take note that to Isaac Watts the love portrayed by Jesus demands our soul, our lives, and our all.

On January 22, I heard of the death of Mr K. B. Asante. An unassuming personality I had the privilege to meet. He was 93 years old. Dr K. B. Asante was once Secretary to Dr. Kwame Nkrumah. He served Ghana under other Heads of States and in many various positions. According to the press statement from the office of Ga Mamtse dated 22nd January 2018,

"He was a leading GaDangme personality and fought for the rights and unification of the Ga State. In many capacities, he ensured that the future of his beloved GaDangme people was rightly placed. Dr. K. B. Asante together with the late Speaker of Parliament Peter Ala Adjetey and a host of his colleagues organized a number of GaDangmes and meetings, all to ensure that the

right headship of the Ga State is put in place".

With his departure, I wonder if the various self-interest groups of the GaDangme people would bury their hatchets and start thinking about the well-being of their tribe.

February 21st saw the death of Billy Graham, the world renowned evangelist of our time at the age of 99. US Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said "the most remarkable thing about Graham, was not his cutting-edge, multimedia ministry or his counsel to presidents — it was the fact that Graham knew God, not he himself, was responsible for his success".

'The secret of my work is God,' says Billy Graham. 'Without him I would be nothing'.

May Easter period not continue to be only a period of sacrificing the enjoyment of something but rather a period of searching ways of surrendering our lives in the service of God and humankind.

God bless,

Edward

KNOW YOUR PASTORAL LEADERS

Zone	Area	Leaders	Assistant Leaders
1	Bexley/Lewisham	Prince Brown – Engmann	Fred Asante
2	Dagenham/Colchester/Redbridge/Newham/ Tower Hamlets	Edmund Abdo	Grace Yankson
3	Enfield/Haringey/Brent/Finchley/Mill Hill	Nancy Ankrah	Patience & Sampson Djima
4	Hammersmith/Kensington/Fulham/Harlesden	Eunice Mensah	Albert & Elizabeth Johnson
5	Croydon/Redhill/Norwood	Evelyn Boateng	Ahinae & Ade Sawyerr
6	Acton/Ealing/Greenford	Reginald Otchwemah	Vida Vanderpuije
7	Mitcham/Morden/Carshalton	Ben Aryeetey	Cecilia Attivor
8	Lambeth/Southwark	Sarah Worburton	Julie Bortey
9	Wandsworth/Battersea	Susie Odamtten	Mary Amoh
10	Harrow/ The North	Lauretta Ribeiro-Nortey	Lynette Bortey
11	Hounslow/Twickenham/Hayes/Hillingdon	Anna Tackie-Otoo	Phyllis Mensah
12	Seven Sisters/Hoxton/Liverpool Street	Comfort Tawiah	Yet to be appointed

ADESA SECTION

ANANSI, AND TURTLE AND PIGEON –(CONCLUSION) From Anansi the Spider Man by Philip M. Sherlock

...Continuation from Newsletter Issue 2

Now Turtle remembered what Anansi had once told him. - "Turtle, when you don't know what to say or do, - sing!"

So Turtle began to sing. He sang so melodious that the watchman began to dance, and he danced and in so doing spilled all the water out of the bucket. Then Turtle called out, "If you let me walk, I will sing other melodious songs!"

"No" said the watchman. At last they arrived at Tiger's residence and he came out to see Turtle, the thief. "Aha!" said Tiger, "Call the cook!"

Tiger instructed the cook to prepare turtle-stew for supper, as he set off to invite his relatives and friends for the meal. While the cook was mixing the ingredients (onions and pimento), Turtle remembered Anansi's advice and so he began to sing.

Once gain his melodious song got the cook dancing. Then Turtle said, "Mr dear cook, I could sing better if I am on the floor and not in a bucket".

The cook granted his wish and Turtle sang ever more melodiously and the cook danced as if dancing all her woes away. Then Turtle said,

"Oh my dearest cook, if you will but

take me to the river bank and put just the tip of my tail in the water, I shall sing far more melodious songs than you have ever heard before".

So off to the river they went and the cook allowed just the tip of Turtle's tail to be submerged in the water. True to his word, Turtle's singing was out of this world. The cook danced and danced and danced and danced. All of a sudden the singing stopped. The cook looked down. To her dismay there was Turtle at the bottom of the river. Turtle waved at the cook and swarm away, and the cook dared not go back to Tiger's house.

Lesson: *Keep focused on what you have been assigned to do.*

KUSUM – CUSTOMS

ABIFAO KPOJIEMO KE GBEIWOO- HESANEBIMO (Quiz from Ga Work book for JHS2 by David Larbie)



- Abifao kpojiemo shishi ji?
 - Ake abifao le miitswa mpua
 - Ake abifao le abastoo etsesee ke enyesee wekumei ke efoloi asuoloi ake tse ofe le eha mo kome ebafata weku le he
 - Ake abifao le miitao shika
 - Ake abifao le miihere koooyoo
- Keji asumoo ni akeo ake abifao kpojiemo, anyeo akeo ake loo.....
-ji nyonyisere gbei kroko.
- Keji ake abifao tsoo tsotsoobi le, namo ake abifao nmoo le tsoo ye mumo mli?
 - Nanemei
 - Naa Nyongmo
 - Woji
 - efoloi
- Be mli ni ake abifao nmoo kpo no ji
 - Manke hima
 - Leebi
 - Shwane
 - Gbeke
- He ni afeo kusum nee ye ji
 - Tsemiaawe
 - Nyemaiawe
 - Folciaawe
 - Manitse shia
- Keji abifao gbo dani egbeiwoo gbi she, Gamei keo ake
 - esumoo egbei
 - egbei enoo enaa
 - egbei ehii
 - ehee egbei
- Ye shitaramo mli ye abifao kpojiemo shishi le, mei ni yaa shian gbe ji
 - nuusee
 - yoosee
 - hiimeji
 - Yeimeji
- Mei krede ni ahe hiaa ye abifao kpojiemo mli abo ji
 - mei ete
 - mei enyo
 - mei ejwe
 - mei enumo
- Ye Gamei asaten le, keji afo abifao le, eyeo gbii..... dani ajeo le kpo
 - Enumo
 - ekpaa
 - kpawo
 - kpaanyo

KASEMƆ ƆMALE KRƆƆKRƆƆ LE (Ga Bible Study)

YESU, MƆ NI AƉƆ LE MU LE (JESUS, THE ANOINTED ONE)

Nikanemo(Reading): Luka 4:18-21



Mlibotemo (Introduction)

Nikasemo nɛɛ oti le ji shishinumɔ ni sa ake ana ye mɔ ni Kristo ji he. Greek (Hela) wiemo “Christos” ni atsɔɔ shishi ake Kristo le shishi ji “Mɔ ni aƉɔle mu le”, ni jeɔ kpo ye Kpanɔmɔ Hee le mli le mli wieɔ mɔ kreɔɔe Yesu ni ji Kristo, le he. Hibri wiemo ni tamɔ no le ji “Mesia” alo Mɔ ni Nyɔɔmɔ eƉɔ le mu. Yesu ake mɔ ni aƉɔ le mu le, Yesaia gba eƉɔ shi (Yesaia 61:1-8) ni eje kpo ye Yesu nitsumɔ le mli (Luka 4:18-19). Hebribii wiemo ‘*chr̥io*’ ni shishi ji mu ni akekpaa he le ke wiemo ‘christos’ le nyie. Ye nikasemo nɛɛ mli le, wɔmiitao ni wɔnu mɔ ni Yesu ji shishi ke mufɔɔ le ake no no ni wɔ shishinumɔ le damɔ. Shishinumɔ faɔɔ le baawa wɔ koni wɔna no hewɔ, ke bɔ ni atseɔ wɔ esɛɛnyielɔi le, ni aƉɔ wɔ mu le naa.

Naamuu (Summary)

Ehe ehia ni ale ake mufɔɔ haa mɔ hegbe ni etsu hewale no ko eha Nyɔɔmɔ. Yesu Kristo ba je neɔ ye Nyɔɔmɔ hewale ke mufɔɔ naa koni ebahere eshafeelɔi ni eke hienɔkamɔ ama shi. Eka he eke sane kpakpa le miiha ohiafoi lolo, eeshie heyeli eeha mei ni awo ametsuɔ, hiɔmeigblemo eeha shwilafoi ke jiemo eeha mei ni awaa ameyi le.

Eshwee ji ake wɔbaatsomɔ enitsulɔi ye neke nitsumɔ nɛɛ mli, ni obaanye oyɔse le keji oosumɔ ake oke ohe aha le ni oɔme le gbe ni eha mufɔɔ nɛɛ aba owala mli. Keji aƉɔ Yesu mu le, wɔ esɛɛnyielɔi le hu sa mufɔɔ keha enitsumɔ

Sanebimɔi keha sanegbaa

(Questions for Discussion)

1. Ye bodientse owiemo mli, le, te onuo “Christ” loo “Christos” shishi tee?
2. Ye Bɔfoi 10:38 le, meni Nyɔɔmɔ keƉɔ Yesu ni je Nazaret le mu?
3. Ke Yesaia 61:1-3 ato Luka 4:18-19 he koni atao no hewɔ ni Nyɔɔmɔ Ɖɔ Yesu mu le.
4. Meni ji tsamɔ-kpaa ni yɔɔ no ni akeɛ ye Yesu he ye Bɔfoi 10:38 ke Luka 4:18-19 ten?
5. Ake Yesu sɛɛnyielɔ le, meni ene tsɔɔ bo?
6. Ani oyɔse aloo oyɛ odaseyeli ko ye nibii komei ni Yesu efee ye mufɔɔ he lo? Ofai ne ni oha wole

AKASE AWO YITSON (Memory Verse):

“Bɔ ni Nyɔɔmɔ ke Mumɔ Krɔɔkrɔɔ ke hewale Ɖɔ Yesu ni je Nazaret le mu, ni ekpaa shi eƉɔ ekpakpa ni etsaa mei fee ni abonsam haɔɔ ame le, ejaake Nyɔɔmɔ ke le ye.” (Bɔfoi 10:38)