

# The Bishop's Corner

## *Our Commission*

Praise the Lord Saints,

“Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned” (Mark 16:15-16).

This is the great commission that Jesus gave to us, and in order to please God and do His will, we must fulfill it. Jesus is coming back soon and I have work to do because I will be rewarded for what I am doing when he comes back.

In this year, we must preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ as never before. If what we have done in the past is not working, we must examine ourselves, turn the corner and do something different. When the Gospel is preached in its purest form, people get saved and the Holy Ghost confirms the Word with miracles, wonders and signs.

People who do not come to church regularly lack faith. “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God” (Romans 10:17). We as pastors must ask ourselves if we have given the people enough of the Word of God to increase their faith, causing them to come to church. God has commissioned us to preach the Gospel, and we must do our best to do the cause of Christ, which is to get people saved.

We are ambassadors for Christ working together with Him to reconcile the people to God (2 Corinthians 5:18-20). So let us continue to labour together with God so that He will give the increase in the church (1 Corinthians 3:5-9). Some of us may plant and some may water, but the people cannot come to Jesus except the Father draws them (John 6:44).

Let us pray one for another that the Gospel not be hindered in us, but that we may yield and obey the Holy Spirit and boldly preach the Word of God. The people cannot call on Him in whom they have not heard or believed, and they cannot hear without a preacher (Romans 10:14-15). We have been sent by God to give this glorious gospel to the world, so let us gird our loins and do it!

God bless you all,

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