AREA/ National ANOUNCEMENTS/MEETINGS

National Prayer Meeting

Every Monday from 11:00am - 2:00pm at FGT, London.

Host: Apostle. M.S. Appiah.

Special Monday Clinic on the first Monday of 2011

Mid - Week Dist. Prayer Meetings

English Services

Tuesdays - 9:00am - 11:00am

Akan Services

Tuesdays: - 7:00pm - 9:00pm **Wednesdays:** - 9:00am - 11:00am **Venue:** James McKeown Hall.

District Youth Meetings:

Every Saturday 3:00pm - 5:00pm at James McKeown Hall. Parents are entreated to encourage their youth to attend.

Friday 2nd Sep.—All Elders prayer and fasting retreat at JMH from 7:00pm prompt.

Thursday 8th—Sunday 11th Sep.—Children's movement week long activities in JMH.

Thursday 6th—Friday 9th—Prayer and fasting for Sunday school teachers at JMH from 6pm –9pm

Sat. 10th Sep.—District Children's Movement Convention in JMH from 9:00am—12:00pm

Mega District 2 Weeks Prayer & Fasting Retreat from Thursday 15th—Friday 30th September. Please be part of this spiritual journey

Saturday 1st Oct.—Water baptism at stantonbury from 12:00pm –1:00pm

DISTRICT / LOCAL ANOUNCEMENTS/MEETINGS

Sun. 18th Sep.—Pastor Kwesi Otoo's farewell service in sandy lane, Manchester—12pm—4pm. (The District Pastor will send delegates to represent the district)

Wed. 21st—23rd September 2011:- The Resident Missionary, Apostle M.S. Appiah, appreciations week will come off from Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd September

Saturday 24th September— the presentation service in honour of Apostle M.S. Appiah and his family will take place in FGT on the above date from 12pm—3pm

Sunday 25th September—Apostle M.S. Appiah's farewell service in FGT from 12pm—4pm. (*The District Pastor will send delegates to represent the district*)

Sunday 25th September—Apostle Newton O Nyarko's welcome service in FGT from 12pm

Friday 30th Sep. District All-night service at JMH from 10:00pm –4:00am

Sunday 2nd October— Pastor Kwesi Otoo's welcome service in FGT from 10am-1pm

Sunday 9th October—Evangelist Dr. Francis Bonsu's welcome service in Manchester, sandy lane. (*The District Pastor will send delegates to* represent the district).

National Women's Convention is now been scheduled to 13th—16th October 2011.



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SUNDAY & MIDWEEK SERVICES (See inside for meeting times)



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Passage for the Month

What Does God's Word Say About The Tithe

What is the tithe? It is the "gateway for the believer into the covenant of blessings." In the Hebrew "maaser" or "maasrah," is translated *tenth*, or *tenth part*, and in Greek "apodekatoo" and in both, it means a *payment or giving or receiving of the tenth*.

The tithe is that tenth of our income that we give to God, which enables Him to move on our behalf in the area of blessings. The Bible records numerous accounts of man tithing to God. God is the creator of everything that exists. He owns everything and we are simply stewards of what we have been entrusted with. The tithe principle is this; "He gives unto us, we give back to Him one-tenth of all that He has blessed us with."

Abraham tithed unto Melchizedek, Isaac tithed, His son Jacob and many others also even before the law was given. Many Christians do not tithe because they have been taught that they are not under the law, but under grace. While this is a true statement, God did not institute the tithe to bring us under the law, but to get blessings to His children. Abraham tithed before the law, and God blessed him supernaturally. We're under grace that we might establish the law; not turn from it. Jesus said that He didn't come to do away with the law, but to fulfill it. Because He fulfilled it, we are to establish it. His Words are forever settled in heaven, therefore we establish His Words upon the earth.

Matthew 5:17-19: "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one title shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the king-dom of heaven."

Tithing According to the Law as Given by Moses

Leviticus 27:30 "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of

the tree, is the LORD'S: it is holy unto the LORD.

This scripture states that all the tithe, whether it be seed of the land, fruit of the tree, or one tenth of all that you earn, is holy unto the Lord. **Deuteronomy 14:22-29** states that one-tenth of all that comes into your possession, belongs to God. This was God's plan to instruct His people as to the way of blessings that He had for them. God is a multiplier by nature, and He could not multiply that which was not entrusted to Him. When the children of Israel were obedient to give back to God that which was His, increase was guaranteed. Scripture states, *It's better to be obedient than to sacrifice*. When the children of Israel were obedient, blessings came; when they were disobedient, they had to sacrifice. Many Christians today are wanting God to honor the covenant that He has with His children, but disobedient children cannot receive the same reward as the obedient.

1 Samuel 15:22: "And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams."

The strongest chain is only as strong as its weakest link. When we fail to tithe, we become that weak link. Statistics show that approximately 20% of Christians tithe. That means, 80% of Christendom is not in covenant with their God, but are like beggars and thieves looking for handouts and what they can steal from Him.

have said many times, it would be better to rob the First National Bank than to rob the bank of Heaven. I'm sure most Christians don't see it this way, because most Christians steal from God. Malachi 3:8 asks the question" Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."

The Old Testament records two other tithes; one tithe was called the "festival tithe," when they came to Jerusalem once every three years for fellowship. The expense for the festival, (travel, food, etc.) was taken from this tithe. The third tithe was given in the third year and was a tithe holy unto the Lord. It was a tithe of almsgiving for the poor and needy. All of these tithes were brought to the storehouse, and the priest oversaw the distribution of same. The first tithe was for the upkeep of the priests, since they had no inheritance. All of their income and portion was to be given to them by God's people. This tithe in and of itself, is not considered an offering. It is the minimum requirement for all of God's people.

The reason God instituted the second and the third tithe through Moses, was that His children needed to give above and beyond this tithe. It is these tithes that God is referring to in Malachi 3:8 where His people have robbed Him in tithes and offerings. In verse 10 of Malachi 3, you will notice that it states "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

I am convinced that when people see the tithe as an instrument of blessing they will not be looking for a way to give less, but a way to give more. God will help them so that they can be generous on every occasion.

EBENEZER ASSEMBLY SUNDAY SERVICES Time: 9:30am - 11:30am

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: Elder Francis Adusei

Sunday, 11th September

Speaker: Sis. Awura Abena Tawiah

Sunday, 18th September

Speaker: D'ness. Godfred Kwakye

Sunday, 25th September

Speaker: Dcn. Mensah Boadi

Sunday, 2nd October

Speaker: Elder Kwadwo Tawiah

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

Venue: Heelands Meeting Place

Time: **7:00pm - 9:00pm**

Friday, 2nd September

Speaker: Sis. Georgina Boadi

Friday, 9th September

Speaker: D'ness. Gertrude Tawiah

Friday, 16th September

Speaker: District Retreat

Friday, 23rd September

Speaker: District Retreat

Friday, 30th September Speaker: District All-night

Friday, 7th October

Speaker: Elder Godfred Kwakye

PIWC SUNDAY SERVICES Time: 09:00 am - 12:00 noon

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: Elder Kingsley

Sunday 11th September

Sunday, 18th September

Sunday, 25th September

Sunday, 2nd October

Speaker: Elder Twum Ampofo

Speaker: Elder Emmanuel Addo

Thursday 22nd September

Speaker: District Retreat

Thursday 6th October

Speaker: D'cn. Eric Misaah

Speaker: Bro. Michael Owiredu

EMMANUEL ASSEMBLY SUNDAY SERVICES Time: 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Time: 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Sunday, 4th September Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: Elder Appiah Danguah

Sunday, 11th September Speaker: Bro. Nana Yaw Peprah Speaker: Bro. Gabriel Osei-Williams

Sunday, 18th September Speaker: Elder Benjamin Yeboah

Sunday, 25th September Sunday, 25th September Speaker: Elder Samuel Essiam Speaker: Elder Martin Accorley

Sunday, 2nd October Sunday, 2nd October Speaker: Elder Stephen Agyapong

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

Venue: James Mckeown Hall Venue: James Mckeown Hall Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Thur. 1st September Friday, 2nd September Speaker: Bro. Abraham Asare Speaker: D'cn. Ben Berko

Friday, 9th September **Thursday 8th September** Speaker: Bro. Gareth Tenedu Speaker: D'cn. Jacob Twum Speaker: D'cn. Leonard Fordjour

Friday, 16th September **Thursday 15th September** Speaker: District Retreat Speaker: District Retreat

> Friday, 23rd September Speaker: District Retreat

Friday, 30th September Friday, 30th September Thursday 29th September Speaker: District All-night Speaker: D'cn. Oduro Boateng

Friday, 7th October Friday, 7th October Speaker: Sis. Adwoa Larbi Ntim Speaker: D'cn. David Lasiety Speaker: D'cn. Naana Bentauh

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: Elder Eric Berimah Speaker: Elder Alex Hope

Sunday, 11th September Sunday, 11th September Speaker: Bro. Samuel Baafi

Sunday, 18th September Sunday, 18th September Speaker: Elder Joshua Agyemang Duah Speaker: Elder Albert Yeboah

Sunday, 25th September Speaker: D'cn. John Adusei

Sunday, 2nd October Speaker: Elder Prince Boateng Speaker: Elder Kwadwo Mante

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

LUTON ASSEMBLY

SUNDAY SERVICES

Venue: St. Margaret Methodist Church Time: 7pm-9:00pm

Friday, 2nd September Speaker: D'cn. Philip Boakye

Friday, 9th September

Friday, 16th September Speaker: District Retreat

Friday, 23rd September Speaker: District Retreat

Speaker: District All-night

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

WELLINGBOROUGH

ASSEMBLY SUNDAY

SERVICES

Venue: Davlight Centre Time: **6:00pm-8:00pm**

Sat. 3rd September Speaker: Bro. Simms

Sat, 10th September Speaker: Sis. Grace Berima

Sat. 17th September Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 24th September **Speaker:** District Retreat

Sat. 1st October Speaker: Bro. Simms

BEDFORD ASSEMBLY SUNDAY SERVICES

Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: Elder Richmond Abredu

Sunday, 11th September

Speaker: Sis. Tracey Kudjo

Sunday, 18th September

Speaker: Elder William Dompreh

Sunday, 25th September

Speaker: Elder Seth Kudjo

Sunday, 2nd October

Speaker: D'cn. Baffour Agyapong

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

Venue: Methodist Church Time: **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

Sat. 3rd September

Speaker: D'ness. Comfort Addai

Sat, 10th September

Speaker: Sis. Faustina

Sat. 18h September

Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 24th September Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 1st Ocotber

Speaker: D'ness. Beatrice Dompreh

BETHEL ASSEMBLY SUNDAY SERVICES

Time: 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: Elder Benjamin Boadu

Sunday, 11th September

Speaker: Bro. Jeffery Poku

Sunday, 18th September

Speaker: Elder Kingsley Twum

Sunday, 25th September

Speaker: Elder Prince Baoteng

Sunday, 2nd October

Speaker: Elder Joseph Adu Addo

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

Venue: James Mckeown Hall Time: **7:00pm - 9:00pm**

Friday, 2nd September

Speaker: D'ness. Florence Adomako

Friday, 9th September

Speaker: D'ness. Owusu

Friday, 16th September

Speaker: District Retreat

Friday, 23rd September

Speaker: District Retreat

Friday, 30th September

Speaker: District All-night

Friday, 7th October

Speaker: D'cn. David Ampofo

NORTHAMPTON ASSEMBLY SUNDAY SERVICES

Time: 9:30am - 12.30 pm

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: D'cn. Aaron Gyamfi

Sunday, 11th September

Speaker: Elder Raymond Adu

Sunday, 18th September

Speaker: D'ness. Cecilia Sackey Mensah

Sunday, 25th September

Speaker: D'cn. Emmanuel Johnson

Sunday, 2nd October

Speaker: Elder Nana Occansey

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

Venue: Abington Community Centre

Time: **7:00pm-9:00pm**

Sat. 3rd September

Speaker: Bro. Patrick Mensah

Sat. 10th September

Speaker: D'ness. Vida Boakye

Sat. 18th September

Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 24th September

Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 1st October

Speaker: D'ness. Naki Ocansey

AYLESBURY ASSEMBLY SUNDAY SERVICES

Time: 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm

Sunday, 4th September

Speaker: D'cn. Nana Effa

Sunday, 11th September

Speaker: D'cn. Ebenezer Adamptey

Sunday, 18th September

Speaker: Elder Kofi Danso

Sunday, 25th September

Speaker: Elder Ekow Sarfo

Sunday, 2nd October

Speaker: D'cn. Ampong

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETINGS

Venue: Fairfax Community Centre

Time: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Sat. 3rd September

Speaker: Sis. Maame Konadu

Sat, 10th September

Speaker: Sis. Helen

Sat. 18th September

Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 24th September

Speaker: District Retreat

Sat. 1st October

Speaker: Bro. Samuel Boaitey