

2ND QUARTER REPORT UPDATE FOR PRAYERS OF PORT HARCOURT MINISTRIES – APRIL TO JUNE, 2022.

“For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.” Psalm 100:5.

1. Our Easter Teaching Seminar was titled: Special Spiritual Blessings To Christians From Christ’s Death And Resurrection. The teachings included: Election, Calling, Atonement, Redemption, Regeneration, Conversion, Justification, Adoption, Sanctification, Union with Christ, Assurance, Perseverance and Glorification. Many of the students and pastors who are willing to learn more on the Old Paths joined us. We sang our beautiful Great Hymns of the Christian Faith. Thank you for your constant prayers for us. Please, continue to do so more since the enemy having known that we stand on these truths is out to vex in different ways imaginable. Some friends and family have left for no just cause. We have been blackmailed, opposed, attacked, etc.
2. On the 18th April, 2022, Mr. Harry who has had been deceived and used against us was restored and reconciled. This was a cause of rejoicing among us. Pastor Solomon S. Ekanem, who was used to cause this happy reconciliation, happened to come to know the Doctrines of Grace through the Sword & Trowel Harry has introduced him to. By the recommendation of the Met Tab as he enrolled to do the online course he came and met me. Since then, this young man has become a Timothy to me. Knowing the situation, he pushed Mr. Harry for restoration that followed. At his wedding on 21th May, we were able to minister together. It was a very happy occasion.



RECONCILIATION WITH MR. HARRY



PASTOR WITH THE COUPLE - MR. & MRS. EKANEM SOLOMON



CONGREGATION WITH THE COUPLE

3. I had a new grand son on 22nd April named Joshua Aniekan Ujande by Peace and Elisha. Join us continually to pray for my family. There is this constant pressure our ministry should be like the kind of ministries in Nigeria. My refusal to give in has caused separation from some members of the family from me and the ministry.



JOSHUA ANIEKAN UJANDE

4. FUNERALS: Favour Abel Mark died of breast cancer. Her husband one of our graduates from our seminary and now lecturer persuaded her to accept hospital treatment, but she refused with the idea God would heal her and died. I had to preach at the occasion before the burial. Late Rev. Luke Onukem, a former graduate from our Seminary died and the family contacted me for the funeral arrangement and to preach. I was able to stand with his wife against all the idolatrous rites before and after the burials. They pestered her to take a rain native doctor to prevent the rain from falling on that day. We strongly resisted. I told her a similar incidence of my father's burial the same date 4th June 1983 39 years ago, which I strongly resisted and God was glorified as there was no rain. In the same way God did glorify Himself and put the heathens to shame who had threatened the poor widow that they would maltreat her with payment of fines if it rained being rainy season. I was enabled by God to preach the gospel to all, warning of the impending judgement after death from Heb. 9:27-28; John 14:6. Many pastors and our Seminarians were present. The widow afterwards gave praise to God in an amazing things and ways God has helped her as also being testified by members of her husband's family. A young man whose mother returned from the USA and died after a brief illness approached me for the funeral at Port Harcourt cemetery. He would not take her to the town and village they came from due to the ugly experience he had when he buried his father not too long ago. They were forced to pay for many traditional things. The Anglican Church his father worshipped with immense contribution did not help in any way either. So we were able to join him for the funeral on the 11th June, 2022. He and his sister were overjoyed for the simplicity of the funeral compared to the pagan rites they would have been subjected to. The threat to worship the ancestors during funerals are



LATE REV. LUKE'S WIDOW

strong that so call Christians without a biblical stand and mentorship quickly succumb to it.



still

DOZIE & SISTER AT THE CEMETRY

5. THE SEMINARY: Our exams were from 8th – 18th May. On the 18th we had a seminar in which I taught them of the nature of a true church – planting, growing and shepherding it, the church government, members, preaching and teaching the truth always. On the 21st May to 6th of June we sent 25 students to 12 Churches for their evangelistic outreach placement to serve God along with the churches. They will bring their report of the findings and ministries and their host churches will send report of their work to us in the seminary. On a Missionary day appointed by the seminary, they would read their report to the whole seminary – faculty and students. Please, pray with us for this great phase of our work which is a very avenue of training men and women for their respective roles in ministry. We are requesting for scholarships to the very poor among them and also the completion of our back building for their class rooms.





PASTORS' FELLOWSHIP

6. THE REFORMED PASTORS

FELLOWSHIP: During the three months of this quarter – April – June our

Pastors Fellowships were well attended

in Port Harcourt. I also attended and taught at Etim Ekpo where one of our elders branched out to plant Redemption Reformed Baptist Church and have gathered more than ten Pastors. On Thursday 23rd June, the day of their fellowship I was there. I taught on preaching, Church government, systematic theology, Church History, Sunday School organization, and a message of encouragement from 1 Peter 5:4. This fellowship was founded to encourage and strengthen pastors in their service to the Lord under the

mentorship of our Church for correction and exhortation. Many pastors have been introduced to the Biblical Ministry in this way. It is worthy to lift it up in prayers.



DURING EXAMINATION

- 7. CHRISTIAN LITERATURES:** To the glory of God we have received and distributed 3 boxes of leaflets and tracts from the Chapel Library; Evangelical Times Int'l 30 copies; a parcel

of Sword & Trowel and the Purpose of the Book of Job. We are still expecting boxes from Christian Books Worldwide, the TBS Bibles, etc. Due to Nigerian government being antichristian we have suffered a lot of set back in this area greatly. That is why we are praying for a better government in 2023 general elections. During the World Book Day celebration on 23rd April about 150 children gathered in our building and were given literatures and tract with a gospel message coupled with a message on hand phones and reading by the organizers.



8. EVANGELISTIC SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES: We continue to gather children in all our branches with increasing numbers. Our mini Bus that was broken down came out from the mechanic shop stronger than when we first bought it with a fairly used engine, gear box and back axil, windscreen, panel beaten and spraying, etc. Thanks to God for our dear brothers who made it possible and would not want their name mention. Thank God for people like them who wants to see the work of God go forward in a broken world.



LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION

9. VISITS & HEALTH: Visited Abuja, Jos and Uyo for ministry, family, TASTE Board meeting and retreat. My health is improved with much medication daily. My bp and blood sugar fluctuate. Please, I need more prayers to go about my ministries committed to me by the Lord in our region of Nigeria. Many of our church plants and other churches of our former graduates are in need of my services to educate their people on an independent church government and other issues.
10. The Reformed Baptist Ministry Int'l Inc. Nigeria has many Church plants so far. Pray for these Churches namely; Christ's Reformed Baptist Church, Rumuodara, Port Harcourt, Pastor Aniekan R. Ekpo; Faith Reformed Baptist Church Ikot Ekpene, Pastor Useh Effiong Useh; New Covenant Reformed Baptist Church, Port Harcourt, Township, Pastor Idy Jacob; Redemption Reformed Baptist Church, Etim Ekpo, Pastor Nse George; Pilgrim Reformed Baptist, Benin City, Pastor Louis Akporiaye; Holiness, Faith & Victory Reformed Church, Emohua, Pastor Alex Amadi; Gospel Reformed Baptist Church, Elele, Pastor Chigozie S. Chinwo; Effectual Calling Reformed Baptist Church, Omagwa (Port Harcourt Airport), Pastor Stephen Onukem; Grace Reformed Baptist Church, Obot Akara, Pastor Edet E. **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN & BUS** Ukana; Reformed Baptist Fellowship, Uyo, Pastor Edet Nathaniel Uwak; All Nations Covenant Reformed Baptist Church, Rumuokurishi, Pastor Solomon S. Ekanem; The Elect Redemption Ministry (Reformed Church), Elioza, Pastor Felix Amadi; Umohia, Enugu, and others are still developing. Pray that these churches and fellowships will preach the gospel and make a difference in their respective areas.