

✓ on the need for all our new converts and new members to enlist in service units of their choice in the church.

3. **Driving Cell Growth and Replication**

- Every cell shall be required to replicate minimum twice in the course of the year 2017
- Every cell leader shall be required to take full responsibility to deliver this target.
- We shall introduce a new approach to training cell ministers
- A monthly publication shall be introduced for this purpose among others.

4. **Driving Soul Winning as a Life Style**

- Every child of God is ordained a soul winner – Jn 15:16/ 2 Cor. 5:17-20
- Everyone baptised in the Holy Ghost is empowered to be an effective witness for Christ – Acts 1:8
- In 2017, every Winner shall be required to work on Minimum One Soul per month. This shall be on individual or partnership basis – Jn 15:1-2/ Rev. 22:1-3/Jn 15:16/ 2 cor. 5:17-20
- However, calls for church-based outreach may be made from time to time.

Jesus is Lord!

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Unveiling **Our 2017 Church Growth VISION**

As we all know, the church of Christ is ordained for a continuous and endless growth – Matt.16:18/ Pro. 4:18

We also understand from scriptures that whatever the Lord does, shall be forever. In the same vein, Jesus commanded us not only to bring forth fruits, but that our fruits abide – Ecc. 3:14/ Jn 15:16

But we must engage the prayer altar effectively for our fruits to really abide – Gal. 4:19/ Col. 4:12

On the other hand, the bible recognises wisdom and knowledge as vital weapons for stability and establishment – Is. 33:6/ Pro. 24:3-5

For example, in the early church, when the apostles passed down decrees to the churches, the churches were established in the faith, and increased in number daily – Act 16:4-5

From the above, we shall continue to pray:

- for all our new converts to be established in the faith and in this church – Jn 10:16/ Col. 4:12

- **that the leadership be endued with the spirit of wisdom towards the establishment of this church even as we continue to grow – Ps 90:17/ Pro. 3:19**

On the other hand, the bible also recognises God as the great multiplier, but also that God only multiplies membership of the church in response to the prayers of the saints – Jer. 30:19 Ezk. 36:37/ Is. 66:7-8/ Acts 6:4-7

Obviously, without God at work, membership consolidation and multiplication will remain an uphill task, because except the Lord builds the house, they labour in vain that build it – Ps 127:1-2/ Rom. 9:16

In the light of the above, we cannot overemphasise the place of prayer in our quest for consolidation and multiplication.

Therefore, by the leading of the Holy Spirit, our 2017 church growth mandate is, Membership Consolidation and Multiplication – Jer. 30:19-21

A 5-POINT MANDATE FOR 2017

1 Keeping the Revival Fire Burning Through Effectual Fervent Prayers

All through scriptures, the prayer altar is recognised as the spiritual control room for all happenings in the kingdom among others. These include:

- ✓ **Salvation of souls** - Ps.2:8/ Is. 66:7-8/ Luk 11:21-22
- ✓ **Establishment of new converts in the faith** - Col.4:12/ Gal.4:19
- ✓ **Sanctification** - Matt.6:9-11/ (13)/ Matt. 26:21
- ✓ **Signs and wonders** - Acts4:30-33
- ✓ **Healings and deliverances** – Jam 5:14-15
- ✓ **Breakthroughs** - 1 Chr. 4:9-10/ Gen. 32:24-28

- ✓ **Vision: access and fulfilment** - Hab. 2:1-3/ Jer. 29:11-13

- ✓ **Fulfilment of prophecy** – 1 Tim. 1:18

- ✓ **Explosive church growth** – Acts 6:4-7/ Ezk. 36:37

- **God shall be empowering men and women in our congregation to observe specific hours of prayer as a lifestyle with ever growing passion in praying kingdom advancement prayers – Matt. 6:6/9-13/17-18/ 1 Thess. 5:17**
- **God shall be empowering every Winner with the spirit of prayer and supplication as we continue to engage our various intercessory prayer guidelines – Zech. 12:10/ Rom. 8:26-27/ Matt. 26:44**
- **This church shall be turned house of prayer indeed among all nations from this time onwards – Matt. 21:13/ Mak. 11:17/ Luk. 13:46**

- **This prayer revival shall result in humbling testimonies of all kinds ranging from:**

- ✓ **sustainable church growth,**
- ✓ **supernatural breakthroughs in the lives of members, thereby drafting multitudes into this church – Zech. 8:20-23/ Is. 66:7-8/ Acts 2:46-47/ Acts 6:4-7**

2 Driving Membership Consolidation

We shall be placing emphasis:

- ✓ **on the need for all our new converts to attend Believers' Foundation Class.**
- ✓ **on WOFBI training for all members, who are yet to undergo this training.**
- ✓ **on Water and Holy Ghost baptism for all members, who are yet to experience either of these**