

Message from the President

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Our stride in 2017 is still towards spiritual formation in the development of the full character of Christ in our lives. The Scripture has all we need to be like Christ. The background to our year verse comes as encouragement even many years since the prophet was given these words from the Lord Almighty. This encouraging proclamation came during the time when the people of God were discouraged by the enemy in the project of rebuilding the temple.

It is true that these words were directed to Zerubbabel then, but they are still fresh to us as the Church. We see many Christians who are very discouraged in their lives when they see and hear what is happening in their families, communities, countries and the world. It is in the midst of that, that we are called into action. Do it "...by my Spirit..." When anger, impatient character, greed, apathy, ego and many other things invade our lives forcing us to apply our strength, wisdom, force, position, authority, experience, knowledge and all those things that we have, the call negates all those things that we may trust in favour of engaging His Spirit. When we see how the gospel is contaminated with false doctrine everywhere our cry and desire is that the Lord keep us holy as He is holy through His Spirit.

We are looking to the Lord to use us as He used and encouraged Zerubbabel of old. The enemy is always alongside us, but we have an "Encourager" inside us the One who is our Victor and Enabler. Unfortunately we are shortsighted in all that we see. We fail to see beyond what we see. May this message from the prophet of old encourage us to complete the tasks that the Lord has given us. As we pray and commit ourselves daily to the Lord, He will do it through us. Let us engage His Spirit in our **Worship, Praise, Prayer, Rightly dividing the Word, Communion, Missions and enjoy the Times of Refreshing in our souls.**

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EN-ZA;">"Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit"</p> <p class="MsoNormal" style="text-align: justify;">Let us fight the good fight of faith by His Spirit.
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4. **UNITY** We value that the church should operate as a loving unified community of servants that celebrates diversity in gifts, function and preference. 1 Corinthians 12:1-31 (4-7); Ephesians 4:3-7; 11-13.

5. **LEADERSHIP** is the critical value of Godly character, personal integrity, ministry skill and relational health in leadership at all levels of ministry. Philippians 2:19-23.

6. **EXCELLENCE** honours God and inspires people. Genesis 39:4-15.

7. **RELEVANCE** We value that the Church should be culturally relevant while holding to God's eternal truth. 1 Corinthians 9:20.

8. **INNOVATION** We value that gifts of innovation should be encouraged in all that we do. Galatians 6:9; 1 Corinthians 15:58.

9. **MISSION** We value the encouragement, development and exercise of each believer's ministry gifts and skills in fulfilling mission work. 1 Corinthians 14:29-33.

10. **STEWARDSHIP** We value that every believer has God given resources that should be used for eternal purposes. Ephesians 2:10

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<p class="MsoNormal" style="text-align: justify; line-height: 150%;">Pray for the Gauteng Region as the Regional leadership are busy looking for appropriate venue for our 2017 Annual General Church Conference. The dates are December 16 - 20 2017. Let us pray for wisdom, unity and commitment to have their spiritual sensors in tune for the leading of the Holy Spirit. We had a good attendance in the Eastern Cape last year. The indicators are that we might break the record attendance if everything goes well. </p>
<p class="MsoNormal" style="text-align: justify; line-height: 150%;">Let us pray for one another. Let us encourage one another. Let us assist one another.Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another. Not by might nor by power but by my Spirit!</p>
<p class="MsoNormal" style="text-align: justify; line-height: 150%;">Continue to pray for RAIN! RAIN! & RAIN! For RAIN! RAIN! & RAIN! Thank God for areas that have enjoyed rain. RAIN! RAIN!</p>
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