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But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. 2 Corinthians 4:7

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The Daughters of Destiny is an interdenominational forum for ladies and is aimed at bringing the best out of weak vessels. It is an arm of The Overcomers Evangelical Ministries Int'l which started May 1996 alongside the ministry. The Lord has instructed the President 'to be a light in the land' and this instruction, birthed this arm of the ministry.

Daughters of Destiny held her first outreach in Ibadan, Oyo State Nigeria in 1997 and it was for single sisters. Later her activities were moved to a tertiary institution in the same state. The vision has since grown reaching out to daughters of God both singles and married.

In 2000, Daughters of Destiny moved to the Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho Oyo State, Nigeria. This transformed the Daughters of Destiny's meetings which started in 1997 to fortnight meetings. At these meetings, undergraduate ladies gather together to talk about issues that affect their lives as it relates to the word of God. The ladies are encouraged to be the best spiritually, academically, morally, socially and health wise even though the bible calls women- the weaker vessels.

Between 2000 and 2002, Daughters of Destiny held special programs for ladies in Ladoke Akintola University of Technology. Some of these programs include a special deliverance program tagged 'WOMAN THOU ART LOOSED' and a program called 'I LOVE MY SISTER' with the aim to encourage ladies to have a giving spirit. It is usually coupled with a love feast. Daughters of Destiny have a vision to be in every higher institution in and out of Nigeria.

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Daughters of Destiny Online Fellowship via Skype is a online fellowship for daughters of God in Diaspora. The first fellowship online was held on Saturday 28th May, 2011 and has since been growing with testimonies following our meetings. We sometimes have a time out where we meet with all other daughters of God once a while to physically share the word of God and to pray
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Its Our Anniversary!!!

I am pleased to welcome you to the fifth edition of the DAUGHTERS OF DESTINY MAGAZINE. This edition is a special one! It is dedicated to the 20th Anniversary of our ministry in which Daughters of Destiny is part of.

The Lord has been so good to us; he has kept the vision alive and made me to grow as the vision is growing. Indeed, God has been so good; he has been our help in ages past and our hope for years to come. What started as a little seed has since grown under God.

In this edition, various articles have been put together to bless you by women of destiny - singles and married. We have a new columns 'WOMEN IN BUSINESS' which will feature entrepreneurship ideas that can help in growing your business. This edition of Celebrate Jesus features my mother in the Lord Evangelist (Mrs.) Gloria Bamiloye, a co-founder of The Mount Zion Faith Ministries Int'l. She is a versatile Drama minister, filmmaker and counsellor.

One of our regular featured columns has a new name, formerly known as "Wives and Mothers" now "GODLY WIVES". This edition is written by a man of a great God! It is a Special edition; our featured story is also written by a special man in my life, My husband Olumide Fatunsin.

This edition features of "PASTOR'S WIVES IN DIASOPORA" is written by Pastor Ruth Ogundare of The Redeemed Christian Church of God, HOPE Ennis, Ireland

We also have some news and events updates for you in pictures and we also celebrate with Evangelist Mike & Gloria Bamiloye, my spiritual parents on the occasion of their ministry 30th anniversary which held in Nigeria on Saturday 22nd August 2015.

We sincerely pray that these articles and messages bless you. We welcome contributions, comments and testimonies from single and married women.

I would like to thank all our columnists and contributors who took time out of their busy schedules to write. A big thank you to Mrs. Temi Iregbu for editing a large part of this publication.

Sit back and enjoy this special **20th anniversary edition**.
Happy reading!

God bless you all.

Oluwatoyin Fatunsin.
Editor-in Chief.





WORD FOR TODAY

THE TREASURES WITHIN

Reference Scripture: 2 Kings 4: 1-7

The bible records a story of a woman, a widow in 2 Kings 4: 1-7. She was in a woman in serious need and she ran to the servant of God, the prophet in the land Elisha.

"A certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the Lord. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves." 2 Kings 4: 1

Unfortunately her husband left a huge debt for her to settle and the situation was so bad that the people he owed were planning to take away her only hope and comfort, her two sons to be slaves. What a pathetic situation! I can imagine the state of that widow; confused, afraid, sad, almost hopeless at least she ran to Prophet Elisha as her last hope. Thank God she took the right step. Just like many will act she cried in pain and fear; the prophet asked her what she has in the house and she quickly replied nothing and then she remembered something though it looks seemingly insignificant to her situation.

And Elisha said unto her, what shall I do for thee? Tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not anything in the house, save a pot of oil. 2 Kings 4: 2

What is the relevance of a pot of oil to the huge debt she inherited from her late husband? There are many times we look for the big miracle that we can see whereas the Lord want to start from within because there are treasures within you. There is no one that is born empty everyone has at least something to offer the world, something to change your situation, something to make you great and relevant in life. There are treasures within you that can bail you out of that embarrassing situation that the devil and his cohort as placed you. There is a way out of every problem only if we can look within. Many at times the devil makes you to focus on the problem and see the magnificent nature that it has and in the process

you overlook the way of escape that God has made. There is a way of escape out of every challenging situation if only the Lord will open our eyes, if only you will choose to see as the Lord wants you too and not as the devil want.

There are some steps you will take in life that you won't understand initially. How come the widow saved the last oil? I believe the Lord gave her insight ahead but she may not understand that that oil will be what the Lord will breathe on and use to save her from the overwhelming trouble that the devil has planned for her. Nothing happens to you in life without a reason. There is a reason for everything, the kind of formal training you had, hobbies you picked up along the way, the people you meet, how you are treated, events in your life and the things you are expose too are all for a purpose.

I remembered vividly how I had contacted a group of people to handle one of our production years back though I didn't pray about them as such as I presumed they are the one God wanted to use for that particular production. A few days to the production while praying the Lord clearly rebuke me for going on without him and I repented. The consequences of that action led to a whole lot of things and as a result some part of the movie was damaged. I relocated to another city in Nigeria to do the post production and I was going to the editing studio for several months. During those times I began to unconsciously learn from the editor as he edits the movie. Little did I know that that was my apprenticeship time as the skill proved later to be useful and it saved me in time of crises here in Europe.

In year 2014 the Lord helped us to produce three movies miraculously as my husband and I didn't have a secular job throughout the year. So it happened that there was absolute no money to post the movie back to Nigeria like I use to do since year 2011 when we relocated to Europe. So for months I was just looking at the rushes of the movie until the Lord stir up my heart to pick it up and edit

Though I had been trying my hands on editing clips earlier on arrival in Europe. With God on my side I edited a featured movie LIFE CHOICES. I have since edited a number of movies both short and full length.

In time of adversity some skills will come out of you if only you can run to God just like that widow did. I never knew that creative skill was in me until I was faced with that situation. Every girl child is born with seeds in her, what she will need in later years to have children as been placed in her from the beginning. Everything you need in life has been provided all you need to do is to see that little oil on the inside.

According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: 2 Peter 1:3

There are treasures in you, there are gifts that will make way for you in life and ministry so instead of looking jealously at others who have discovered and identified the treasure in them and are prospering using theirs ask God to open your eyes to see his treasure in you. There are untapped ideas in you that will give you that break in your career and business. That situation you are passing through will not swallow you; you will come out victorious in Jesus name.

Important points to note about the treasure in you:

1. To discover the treasure, you have to run in the right direction. Run to God; he is a giver of all things look up to him only. He will direct you further and you will identify your treasure. 2 Kings 4:1
2. Look inward there is something in you. There is a miracle in your house. Elijah asked the widow what was in her house; God can bring out something from little or nothing. All you need is to identify that little thing in you that God can pour his grace on 2 Kings 4:2
3. Believe the Lord and his prophet. If he has directed you to share with any of his vessels act as instructed in accordance to the word of God, God will not contradict his word, he honors his word above other things. He won't tell you to do what is contrary to his word. **"Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbors,**

even empty vessels; borrow not a few. 2 Kings 4:3

4. Act as instructed, shut the door to doubt and intimidation. 2 Kings 4: 4-5 **"And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full. So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out:**

There are many things in life that can intimidate you; the devil might come up with words like "there is no one who has done this in your family before how can you" Don't let your background, education, past, gender intimidate you. The bible says in Philippians 4:13 **"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.** So you can do it! Don't doubt him, believe in God and the treasures in you will manifest.

5. Keep pouring out, the more you pour, the more you are blessed. **2 Kings 4:6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, there is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.** The more you pour out, you use the the treasure to be a blessing the more the Lord will keep increasing you. The treasure in you is a solution to the problem of someone somewhere; it is not for you only. Use your gift to be a blessing, the business idea that you identify and use is not for your profit only but to pour out and bless others. Be a giver and support others as well.



6. Be profitable with the treasure in you. The treasure is not for you only, profit with it and be useful. **2 Kings 4:7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest."** The bible tells the story of the boy with five loaves of bread and two fishes in John 6:1-14. He released his lunch to Jesus, his seemingly insignificant treasure in the face of thousands of hungry men was what Jesus breathe upon and it end up feeding five thousands men excluding women and children. John 6:12 **"When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." ¹³ So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten"**

Who do you think went home with the left over? It was the boy of course! When you are profitable with the treasure in you, you will have more just liked the parable of the talents in Matthew 25:14-30. When you profit with the treasure in you he will reward you. ***“His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Matthew 25:23***

May the Lord help us to discover the treasure within and profit with it bringing glory to his holy name.

Oluwatoyin Fatunsin



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THE CHALLENGES OF STUDYING IN A FOREIGN LAND

Thanking God for His faithfulness that endures forever, and for his mighty hand, which has brought us to study in a foreign land. It can only be God, as studying in foreign land comes with great blessings as well as its challenges. Single sisters are at times, faced with challenges such as: Decision making, adaptation, spiritual growth, financial lack, cultural diversity, academic challenges, and many more. Studying in a foreign land ushers one into worlds of diverse possibilities, however, we are equally faced with challenges of how to live and survive in a new country, school, and church, so we try our best to adapt.

There's a lot to consider when leaving the comfort of one's country and moving to a new one with different culture, weather, food, time zones, currency, e.t.c.

There is need to integrate into to the new environment within a short time. During this period, we ask questions, we marvel at the diversity of where we're from and where we are, we make mistakes and learn as we adjust to our environment.

After we are fully settled, we know our way round town by public transport or otherwise, we know how to use the food items around us fit for making the dishes we're used to from our home country. We also become familiar with checking the weather forecast daily and dressing appropriately for the weather, and so on. The integration process can be very challenging because you're being compelled to change your (familiar) lifestyle to one you were never used to., Apostle Paul said 2 Corinthians 12:9.: And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for you: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.

Another challenge is spiritual growth, and this should be

handled right from beginning, as the spiritual atmosphere of each country differs so one must not get caught and wrapped up in spiritual lethargy and laxity. We need to have a strong determination backed up with the grace of God to remain on fire for God irrespective of our new environment. At times you are able to find a branch of your church in the new country, but if this is not the case then, carefully pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit concerning where to worship.

As a daughter of Zion, you don't want to find yourself in a place that would displease the King of your soul. After finding a church, and you have assessed the spiritual atmosphere of the church, there is need to supplement church fellowship as what you get from church is not enough for your spiritual growth. There will always be need to go back to your closet to pray, praise, worship and seek GOD's face, so that we can continue to grow spiritually despite our new environment, and even influence people around us for God. We can't let our environment determine our level of spiritual growth otherwise, one would remain a spiritual babe forever.

Financial challenge - welcome to the world where nothing is free. Coming to a foreign land, welcomes one into reality, where everything has a price tag namely:., House rent, electricity, gas, water, phone, internet and so on. However, we thank God for His amazing provision, even the psalmist said: Blessed *be* the Lord, *who* daily loadeth us *with benefits*, *even* the God of our salvation. (Psalm 68:19) God is our sure provider even in a foreign land; He is our Jehovah Jireh. Depending on which country we are in, the exchange rate can be unstable and can also be above our home currency. In this new world, "prudence" is the watchword; it is no longer cut your coat



according to your size but according to the material. Let every penny be accounted for. Even if we have money in abundance, we can save for the future because that's what makes a virtuous lady. Carefully plan a monthly budget, and strictly adhere to it. Make a list for your monthly or weekly shopping, avoid buying things that aren't on your list, and avoid frivolous spending. Don't be swayed by enticing advertisements, and "shop till you drop sales".

As single sisters studying abroad, we need to be disciplined with our finances. Cooking at home is much cheaper than eating out. That is not to say that we shouldn't treat ourselves once in a while, but we shouldn't make take-away a regular affair. Don't spend to impress or to look the part. Buying what you can afford and living within your means is the key to living a contented and debt free life.

Cultural diversity: Different countries, different cultures. There are so many things such as norms, beliefs, moral values, dressing, nutrition, and so on that would be different from ours. As a child of God, examine everything with the word of God and do what will please the king. The saying "when you are in Rome, act as Romans" is not applicable in all aspects. Wisdom is profitable to direct.

Academic challenge: Welcome to world, which enables one to get the best out of education. The rate and speed at which things are accomplished is really intriguing because there is no delay and everything goes according to plan. We are faced with the challenge of acquainting with the lecturer's accent and making sense of what he/she is saying. Having new course mates and class mates, finding our way round the school and understanding the system can be challenging but with God, all things are possible. We can benefit more by asking questions. Ask

the supervisor, lecturers, course mates and senior students questions. No one will crucify you for asking questions, it is a civilized society after all so people will answer your questions or direct you to the right source if they can't be of help.

Let us also endeavor to put in our very best, as that is our main reason for going to a foreign land. We have to excel, not just manage to excel but excel brilliantly. All our efforts must not be in vain because anything worth doing is worth doing well.

Study well, use different resources, textbooks, articles, journals, online videos (youtube has thousands of helpful videos on diverse topics) and any other resource that can enhance excellent performance.

God wants us to excel just as Daniel excelled in Babylon: Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit *was* in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm. Daniel 6:3

Decision Making: this is one aspect where our spirit man also needs to be alert. Now that we are miles away from home, we can't easily consult our parents, siblings, relatives or Pastors on decision making. We need to become more mature about making decisions because every decision has consequences, that is where the spirit of God comes in.

With Him in our life, decision making would be easy, as HE WILL TEACH US ALL THINGS: But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. John 14:26 Always pray and ask for God's leading for he will teach us: I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye. Psalm 32:8

With all these been said, I thank God for my life. I have been studying for about six years in a foreign land through

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the mighty hands of God. The diverse challenges including all those already mentioned, I remember, how my friends would convert to their country's currency before buying water, food, and clothing, I had to advice them to stop it otherwise, they would end up punishing themselves for differences in exchange rates which is totally out of their control.

Another experience was when I traveled to another Island and I attended another church. The service was like a show to me, I didn't even know when the service ended. I didn't understand the prayers and songs, but after my first service there, I readily adjusted. Although the service was fine, it still cannot be compared, to that of my home country.

The service still lacked something vital so I still needed a personal boost, but I thank God For his sufficient grace.

Academic experience was quiet interesting. My first physiology class was something else because I didn't make any single note, as I was lost and didn't understand the lecturer's accent so I had to copy notes after the class. Over time, I developed, boldness, raised my hands and asked for clarification when he writes words he didn't mention on the board. After the first semester, the remaining went well.

Transportation: I remember my first day in one of the Islands, the bus took a different direction and I didn't know we had gotten to my street, of course I merry-go-rouned with the bus, returned to the bus station, and then back to my house, but I got it right the second time.

Oh yeah!! “The **accent problem**”, which I find at times upsetting, before you say two sentences the question would be: are you from Africa? At times I prefer not to speak but you can't remain speechless forever (smiles).

I was told Africans have heavy accents. Learn to embrace your nationality irrespective of what the reality is, don't let anybody dampen your self esteem. People will always have opinions about your nationality and personality.

God kept me through it all and His grace was sufficient. God gave me nursing mothers, fathers, uncles, aunties and friends in different Islands. His mighty hands were indisputable.

Trust God take care of you, commit your ways into his hands and He will prosper you. I did and I have no regrets whatsoever.

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Abayomi Aroso, Regional Coordinator.

For Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders which You have done, And Your thoughts toward us; There is none to compare with You If I would declare and speak of them, They would be too numerous to count.

Psalm 40:5

O LORD, You are my God; I will exalt You, I will give thanks to Your name; For You have worked wonders, Plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness.

Isaiah 25:1



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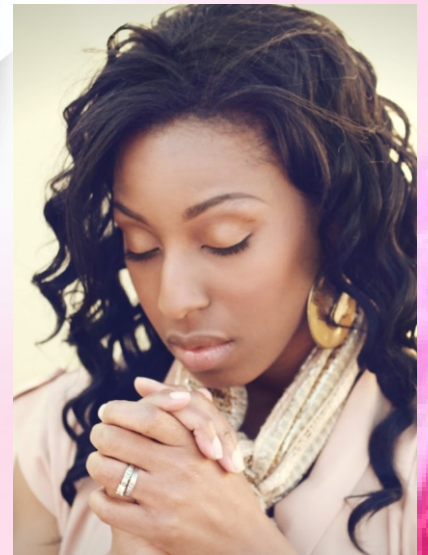
Text: John 4 vs.1-29.

Key 1. Connect to the fountain of Living Water: **Jeremiah 2 vs.13**, The woman at the Well constantly visited the well and yet she remained thirsty and thirsty because she was not connected to the fountain of living water.

- Connecting to the fountain of living water increases your spiritual depth and empowers you to live a life connected to the life of God.
- The woman at the well did not have the capacity to keep her home, Jesus said she has had five husbands. She was so tired of marriage that she decided to look for a partner and not a husband anymore. A good woman, a very hardworking woman, who constantly visit the well to get some water to calm her thirst but she could not keep a marriage, she could not keep her husband simply because she had not met the fountain of living water.
- The well, the fountain of living water is where your character is tested, your responsibility is tested, your lifestyle is tested, your behavior and manners are tested. If you fail at this point you cannot succeed in your marriage either. Isaac's wife was at the well and she was a woman of tested character, a woman ready to serve, ready to work, ready to build, ready to submit to spiritual authority and ready to fulfill her destiny. A man or woman who is not ready to submit to spiritual authority, ready to work, ready to serve and ready to fulfill destiny will rather destroy her marriage, her home and ultimately her life. We have missed it today because we do not have a proper understanding of marriage. We have two unprepared people living together and causing confusion, distraction and destruction simply because they are not ready to take root in God. **Marriage is God's idea, Marriage is God's**

project it will never survive without God, it will never be fulfilling without God, it will never be life enriching without God, it will never produce a great seed without God. **Genesis 25 vs.1,10-**

- Connecting to the fountain of living water sets you up for genuine service to God. **Acts 27 vs.21-24:** Jesus asked her for water... When your life, marriage, family etc is an instrument of service in the hand of God then you are sure that God will guarantee it. God only guarantees that which has been committed into his hand **2nd Timothy 1 vs.12.** Are you Gods property, are you a tool of service to God. How do you serve him, are you a true worshiper, are you a man and woman that truly serve him not because of what people will say, not because of who you are, but because of who God is to you. How much do you serve Him? **1st Samuel 25 vs.4-17.** Nabal was a man who did not believe in serving others, he had no contact with the fountain, he did not know God, proud, arrogant, boastful and completely brutish, unreachable, he doesn't listen. Your failure to serve God, and your spouse can only lead to the destruction of the entire family if you do not rise up. Nabal died ten days after. He was completely out of order and he was putting his entire family on the path of destruction.



• It is impossible to serve God, your husband and family without connecting to the fountain of living water. Jesus asked her for water, but she will not give it, she was full of stories, full of religion, she has a lot of history, a lot of information, she knew



with the Law but she did not know her Lord. she knew the stories but she did not know the Saviour, she was ready to work, ready with her jar, she was hardworking, she was focused, she was dedicated, she was really committed but she did not put the first thing first. a good woman who is not godly does not qualify for the fullness of God's blessing. the first thing we must tackle tonight both as husbands and wives is our spiritual depth. How is your relationship with Jesus. How is it going, how is it influencing your life, your character, your behavior etc. You cannot obtain the capacity to love without a total surrender and release to His will. Your marriage will suffer a lot of shipwreck, a lot of hardness, a lot of struggle and eventually end up in disaster until you connect to the fountain of living water.

Key 2 : A true Demonstration of Love. : Do you truly Love your spouse? 1st Corinthians 13 vs.1-

• Love is demonstrated through patience and kindness. Saul lacked patience, and he destroyed his life, his family, his children and lost everything. Great couples are patient with each other, they tolerate one another, they do not make the other feel stupid or like an idiot. They are constantly at peace with each other. No need to build up wall of defense because their mistakes are tolerated. They know that their spouse has made room for them in their hearts. Great couples encourage each other unto greatness, not people who criticize themselves and mock themselves and compete with themselves.

• Love is demonstrated through humility.: Vashti lost her marriage and her place in the heart of her spouse because of pride, arrogance and foolishness that does not profit. Great couples Respect each other. They do not just spite each other, they do not disregard each other, they respect each others opinion, they do not just take decisions without consulting with each other. They do not invest without consulting with each other. They do not speak against each other, they respect each other, they can go to any length with each other.

• Love is not easily provoked.: Great couples are not irrational, they are not easily provoked, they do not pick on everything. They do not look for means to cause trouble in to their spouse. They appreciate one another and develop the inward gift and purpose of God in each other. They help each other fulfill their God given destiny in ministry, on their jobs, in their homes, to their families, to the parents, parents in-law and above all to the community.

• Love keeps no record of Wrong. : Forgiving one another, forbearing one another is key. Great couples cannot live without each other, great couples cannot afford to keep the record of the bad things their couple has done, they are constantly making room for each other, they forgive and forget and they move on together in God.

• Love is happy with the truth. **Galatians 4 vs.14-16.** Great couples are very comfortable with the truths. They tell themselves the truth, and they do not keep a fight over that, they love themselves and are honest with themselves without any reservation.

Key 3 : A commitment to grow in your sexual intimacy. Keys to a sweet sexual intimacy. 1st Corinthians 7 vs.1-9,

• Naked and not Ashamed :No beautiful and wonderful sexual intimacy without pure and truthful communication. Genesis 2:25

• Pay attention to it because God delights in it. You must prepare yourself, you must add it to your daily life and do all that is possible to enjoy it to the fullness. make deliberate effort to include it in your daily routine. not everyday of course but have a full dose of it. **Song of Solomon 1 vs.13**

• Create an atmosphere of romance between each other, talk to each other, be natural, let yourself go and let God be glorified. Warning : No sex in Heaven it was Lazarus that was in Abrahams bosom not Sarah, check **luke 16 vs.23** because we are going to worship him both day and night so you better enjoy it here and now. **Song of Solomon 3 vs.1**

• Identify every possible hindrances : Children disturbance, lack of time, Pressure of Job, lots of activities, prayer and fasting, stress etc. Put the kids to bed in good time, work out a schedule, take each other out and have a good evening, help in taking care of your friends kids so that they can also help you likewise.

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Daughters of Destiny celebrate this woman of a great God, her simplicity and humility is worth of emulation.

1. Tell us about your background, education, and childhood ambition and salvation experience.

I was born into a Muslim family, and a polygamous home. My mother happened to be among the youngest wives my Dad had then so he is much older than her. I did not live with them right from my childhood so; I started my education in Lagos while living with one of my step sisters. I attended elementary secondary and College of education, from where I discovered my ministry of drama. The Lord Jesus was introduced to me through my elder brother. And many of us got saved through him. I got born again at a very tender age. I was in primary 3 or 4 when I gave my life to Jesus

2. How did you discover the purpose of God for your life?

Even though I grew up in the church and I was among the choir but I was not fully committed because i had no fulfillment and satisfaction in singing. I always felt there was something deeper than just singing in the church. This feeling became intense when I became filled with the Holy Spirit. But I eventually discovered the purpose of God for my life when I got to the college and I decided to join the drama group of the Christian fellowship of the college. I therefore became very useful for the Lord.

3. How did you get involved in drama ministry?

It all started in the college drama group. And after graduation, we felt the vision should not end in the school and so God



helped us to start Mount Zion Drama Production.

4. What made you agree to marry your husband? Was there any objection to the relationship even after God convinced you?

I prayed to God to give me a man whom I will serve God with, a man that will not hinder me from serving God. And He gave me my husband. There was no objection initially until we decided to get married. And this was because; they felt he would not be able to take care of me financially because he was on full time.

5. The Mount Zion Faith Ministries started over 30 years ago; how challenging was it then starting a ministry based on faith in God for provision?

it was not easy at the initial stage because we have to trust God for so many things including the food to eat. We have to look forward for ministrations because we are sure of eating well. We believe our host we take care of us. Even though the problem now is not what to eat but we have never stop trusting God for provision for the great projects he set before us.

6. How was it raising children in a faith based ministry? Were there times you wanted things for your children and you could not? Looking back at then and now that the children are all grown up what can you say?





When the Lord called out the Israelites from Egypt to go and serve Him, he didn't ask them to leave their children in Egypt so they would not suffer. He called the entire families including their sucking babies. And together they walked in that hot wilderness. A time they were in hunger and thirst, yet God did not exclude the children. They all went through it together.

It got to a stage that they began to grumble about the situation of their children. God became angry and told them they will not enter the land but their children will enter. That is to say the call of God upon your life also involve your family, some ministers will keep their children with somebody because they don't want them to suffer with them on the field. It always happened that some children like that will never love to follow the step of their parents in serving the Lord.

The Lord has thought us this right from the beginning, so our children were exposed to the move of God. They knew whenever there was lack and we needed to pray. They also saw when God answered the prayers. All these experiences help their faith to grow in the Lord.

I think it all depends on our faith in God who called us and how we present this God to our children. There may be lack but He is ever present. He created the world, He owns gold and silver. He may choose not do something like the Isrealites to teach them that man shall not live by bread alone. He also has power to rain manna from heaven. In Mount Zion today, many of our children are graduates of Universities. While some of

them decided to join us in the ministry.

Lack is a general thing in the ministry because no amount is enough to do the work of God. So, in the ministry there may be lack sometimes but we are not in poverty.

Daniel 11 : 32b says, "The people that do know their God, will be strong and do great exploit"

7. Being a cofounder and president of the ministry with other brethren how easy was it to become a spiritual mother to the brethren in the ministry?

To be a Mother is to be ready to help. Every woman is anointed from heaven to be a help meet and that was why Eve was created. And the work starts from the home. Deborah was first a mother in her home before becoming a mother in Isreal. Home is the first ministry of every woman however, great you are. When a woman failed in her home, she will not go far in the ministry. When you discover this ministry as a woman and you succeed in impacting your family like the woman in Proverb 31. And like Deborah, the anointing on you will not only remain in your home but will flow to others outside. The Spirit of God in you will make you to fit in and to become a blessing to others around you, to the church of God and the nation.

A woman who will go far in the ministry must submit to her husband with the spirit of humility, she must not take over the authority in the home because she can pray and prophesy than her husband.

She must maintain her position in the life of the man and give him the honour such a woman will go far with the backing of the man.

These are the thing the Lord thought early in the ministry. Proverb 31 should be read by every woman who desires to be fruitful in the ministry



8. You act so natural in the movie becoming all things to all men. How easy is it to fit into various roles in Christian movies?

When you are called and anointed to do something, the Holy Spirit will make it easy. Also, we should remember that we are not just acting but ministering so, one must be spiritually sensitive because it a spiritual assignment. As we release ourselves to God, His grace will always enable us to act not in the flesh but by the help of the Holy Spirit. So, I will say His grace made it easy for me to act and to take all the roles.

9. As a movie writer how do you get your inspiration? What does it take to make a powerful movie that will make lasting impact?

The opinion of people differs on this because I have been in a gathering where the woman drama minister was teaching people on how to write good Christian script.

So, they may be able to write. As for me, I dont know how to do that because I don't even have the knowledge on how or what to write. I remember I just wanted to help my husband then because he was the only one writing in our ministry so, the demand was heavy on him and I went to God to use me since He says I am his helpmeet.

The Lord told me to check all my books I have written on home that He would give me messages from them. I stared reading the books and latter I began to receive inspiration and I began to write.

I wrote a serial movie of Part 1-4 THE STORMY SEAS and since then I have not stopped writing. All I need to do whenever I am having the feeling in my spirt is to stay in his presence in prayer and the study of the word. He will speak.

Putting human wisdom and knowledge aside, I beleive we are His ministers and whenever he wants to send us to people He will speak because He alone knows the need of the people and the right message they need at a particular time.

10. Looking at the many things you do in the ministry, how do you balance with family life? Husband and the children, constant trips and ministrations?

I told you my home is my first ministry and as a woman and mother, I have great responsibility in that home. I always pray to God to help me not to fail or disappoint him.

Even though my mother came to live with us but I used to spent time with my children more when they are young and we always have quality time together before the Lord.

Now they are grown up and they are with us in the ministry. One thing the Lord taught me then was to see all my activities at home as a ministry unto the Lord and that is why Prov 31



was written in the Bible. As you take time to raise the children, taking care of your home and the man, you are ministering unto the Lord who will reward your labour of love. The will of God for you is to go beyond your home and become a mother in Isreal like Deborah who latter became a judge when woman were not given any recognition. But this lady rose to become a mother to the people.

Your home is a training ground for the greater height God is taking you. When you are faithful in that home, God will increase your greatness in his service and you will be given wisdom to balance all to the glory of God. This is the grace God put in all women. If you don't use it, so many other things will fill the vacuum in your life.

11. Is there joy in acting for Christ (using your gift for Him)? Is it rewarding and encouraging? Please, back your answer with personal testimonies to encourage sisters to serve God with their talents.

That is the reason for the gifts of acting or music etc God has given you. It is for souls and for the expansion of His kingdom. Matthew 6:32-33 KJV [32] *(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. [33] But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*

When you seek God's kingdom, you will also be blessed and promoted . I have seen God surprising his children with miracles, building houses for his children and enlarging their coast. He is ever faithful to his children. He is faithful to my home.

12. What have been your most challenging roles so far? Share your joyful moments in life and ministry with us, a few will do.

Any role I am given is always challenging because one need the help of the Holy sport to bring out the best action. But the role I always remember is the role I played in one of our old



movie STORY OF MY LIFE. Where I played the role of a young graduate lady and an old woman. The Holy Spirit took over the role from me at a stage and I saw myself acting what was not written in the script. The power of God came down mightily. Whenever people watch the movie, they still believe the film actually happened and some churches would be inviting the character I played as if it was real. We have to be telling them that the character is not real and that it was a message. That is one of the works of the Holy Spirit.

Our home is always full of laughter and joyful moment because my husband is a man who hates to see anyone looking sad. He always makes us happy and the joy of the Lord is always our strength. I thank God for his life.


13. What are your hobbies? How do you relax?

We relax anytime we are out of the country but I like watching other Christian movies or movies from the other side to know the current move.


14. Final word for daughters of destiny

This is the time to rise up like Deborah and fill the gap. So, many things are happening in the homes and churches. Things that are common in the world have now crept into the homes of God's children and churches of God. Divorce and separation are now taking place in Christian homes. Many children who are the arrow in God's hand tomorrow are now going into the world to display their gifts.





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WEAK PARENTING

It is believed that raising children in diaspora, especially to the African parents, is a great challenge which can only be overcome when certain things are in place. The reasons are many, including the culture of the various societies we find ourselves, which gives enormous power to the children. Torn between two cultures, African parents are therefore in a dilemma as to how to properly raise a child. The word of God therefore becomes the spiritual tool we need to use in order to be the kind of parent that God ordained us to be. The bible says in Proverbs 22:6, that train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it. Although many things undermine parental control and guidance in diaspora, there is a particular way to train a child and that's the way of the Lord.

In this section, the topic we are looking at is **weak parenting** and the text is stated above. Weak parenting is just the opposite of strong parenting and it means that parents are weak in bringing up their children properly. They are not doing enough to raise their children and also not pulling their weight in the upbringing of their children. In the olden days, no meant just that and a wise crack back answer, could result in a very unpleasant experience involving the lips.

There was a time when no, had real meaning. In the modern world today, no in many cases means the child has, not tried hard enough, and it is just a delay in getting the parent to submit. That is sad, because when the parent agrees later on just for peace sake, the children begin to take advantage of this, hence, weak parenting. A parent can change his or her mind after it is made up but this can only happen once in a while so as not to be abused by the children

We want to look at the life of Eli and his children, how he was weak and lenient in correcting them. Eli was a priest at Shiloh in the period of the judges and a parent too (1 Samuel 1:3, 9). These days we have many parents out there that feel they love their children so much and they cannot correct them as they should when they erring away. We want to look at some of the following points from our texts, 2 Samuel 2:12-36, of how and why Eli's household was destroyed in one day!

1. **ABSENCE OF SALVATION.** In verse 12 of the second chapter, we were told there that the children of Eli did not know the lord. You can imagine this in the present day world. How many pastors, workers and dedicated Christians'



children are not saved? Many are so carried away with the work of the kingdom that they forgot their primary aim and objective. Under the supervision of Eli, Samuel faithfully served at the tabernacle (1 Samuel 2:11), but not his own children.

Many parents in diaspora are just too busy combining jobs and forgetting the main reason why they are making the money in the first place. If at the end of the day, we make millions of dollars and our children are not living life worthy of emulation, then it is all in vain. I pray we will not labour in vain in Jesus name. Let us make sure our children are well brought up and cared for in the way of the Lord right from the womb so they can be like Samuel. Our children need to be saved, it doesn't matter how little we think they may be, and they will understand with time what salvation means as long as we continuously make it known to them. As parents we should know that no other success can compensate for our failure at home! One thing we need to constantly do as parents is to send our children to Sunday school and ensure we go there too. What we don't have we cannot give; we need the word as they need it too and we cannot leave all responsibilities in the hands of Sunday school teachers and secular school teachers. We are the sole teachers!

2. LACK OF REGARD FOR THE LORD AND HIS COMMANDMENT. 1 Samuel 2:13–14). It was customary at the tabernacle at Shiloh for the priest's servant to thrust a large fork into the pot in which the sacrificial animal was cooking and to give the priest whatever portion of boiled meat the fork happened to bring up. However, the sons of Eli wanted roasted meat instead of boiled meat; so Hophni and Phinehas compelled the priest's servant to extort the best portions of meat from the person presenting the sacrifice before the fat was burned and before the meat was boiled.

According to the Law of Moses, the fat was not to be eaten but was to be burnt as the Lord's portion of the sacrifice. This is total lack of regard for God's commandments. As parents, let us look at our lives and enure we're bringing our children up in the things that pertain to Godliness. Many parents are not diligent enough to impart Godly principles into the lives of their children and they do not care if they participate in church activities or not, many do not even bring them to church regularly.

The children engage in abominable things such as boys plaiting their hair like girls/women, crazy haircuts, immorality, girls dressing indecently to church, coming late to church and having no absolute regard for things of God. The parents are privy to all these and yet they make no meaningful attempts to encourage these children in the way of the Lord.

Eli trod this road as well, he refused to rebuke his children sternly. He told them they are actually making God's people sin but he did nothing to stop them. "Ye make the Lord's people to transgress" (1 Samuel 2:24). Sometimes, we parents, should go the extra mile in correcting our children's wrong doing. We cannot just rely on talking alone when we see that it is ineffective. We can instill God's principles in their heart right from babies and as they grow it will be part of them.

Parents can intercede for their wayward children. This is one thing we never read about Eli, instead he gave up easily by saying God should do as He pleases (1 Samuel 3:18). When Hezekiah received a bad message from the prophet, He did not just accept it but went in prayer and God had mercy on him. As parents we should not give up on our children!

3. BREAKING CONVENANT. In 1 Samuel 2: 29, after the sins of Hophni and Phinehas, a man of God delivered the message to Eli in the name of the Lord that Eli was guilty of honoring his sons more than the Lord. This is weak parenting in action. Many at times, we see our children treading the wrong path but we pretend we are not oblivious to it just because we do not want to offend them. Simple things like instructing them to do chores and they refuse should bring about proper punishment but I have seen parents going about to do chores themselves because their children refused to do them. When Babies cry over things that will harm them but we still go ahead and give them those things just because we do not want them to cry then we are doing them

more harm than good as parents.

Eli was guilty of neglecting his parental duties toward his sons because “he restrained them not” (1 Samuel 3:13). As a result of Eli's neglect, the Lord said that Eli and his house would be cut off from His favor and that, as a sign of the truth of the Lord's words, both sons would die on the same day (1 Samuel 2:30–34). He allowed his sons to break Gods covenant and this threatened his relationship with God and hence the wrath of God. God has highly exalted His words more than His name (Psalm 138: 2), He cherishes the covenants He made with us and wants us to keep them, breaking them is a sign of disrespect to God and His laws. It is our duties as parent to make known the precepts of our King to our children as soon as they are born so that they can keep them in their heart.

We must ensure they apply and practice them as well, not just knowing them. Eli's household was destroyed in one day because they no longer had regard for the things of God. They did not consult God before they carried the ark of covenant, and they just did as they pleased. We should not only be religious parents who take children to church, buy them bibles, and make them wear inscribed clothes that say “I love the Lord.” Parenting is a serious responsibility that carries grave consequences if neglected.

We need to do more for our children by exercising strong parenting so that the wrath of God will not come on us. Remember we are just caretakers and one day we will account for all we did to save them from this wicked world. I pray we will not be found guilty over our roles as parents.

Hannah willingly offered Samuel to God, though Samuel never knew when she was doing this, and God made use of Samuel. In other words Samuel became a vessel of honour unto God as a result of his timely dedication. We do not have to wait till our children grow up and out of control before we



offer them to God for use. We can do it right from the time we are pregnant and after they are born. We need to bring them up in the way of the Lord when the table of their heart is blank, by this we can imprint godly virtues in those hearts and it will be difficult for any contrary spirit to occupy those hearts. This is what Eli failed to do as a parent.

Above all, we should understand that the family unit is at the heart of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Family altar is highly important and must be observed at all times. We may live abroad, but must not copy the ways of the land when it is contrary to the way of the Lord. Eli's children were referred to as “children of Belial”, which means worldly, wickedness, our children must not be identified with strange doctrines of the land we dwell in.

Parents have a sacred duty to nurture their children in love and righteousness, to provide for their physical and spiritual needs, to teach them to love and serve one another, to observe the commandments of God and to be law-abiding citizens wherever they are.

We will be held accountable if we fail to discharge this duty accordingly. The story of Eli and his sons should always reminds us of the serious responsibility parents have to teach their children the principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ and the heart breaking consequences if parents neglect this sacred obligation. I pray that our joy shall be full over our little angels in Jesus name, amen.

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Apostle Paul talks about a single sister that she cares for the things of God which means God is your priority as a single lady. A single lady born and purchased with the precious blood of Jesus is called to serve the Lord. In service to God you will be honored and lifted. It is important to use your youth for the Lord there is no sitting on the fence at all. It is either you are for the Lord or for the devil.

The bible talks about God pouring out his Spirit on all flesh including sons and daughters of the most high God. The outpouring of the Spirit of God is evident in our days as we see young ladies doing wonders for God through their local assembly and through their independent drama, music, writing, teaching ministries.

So it is not uncommon that with these ministries and services to God, single sisters often encounter dicey situation and challenges in the line of his service. Caution must be put in place so you don't end up getting stained or injured in the course of service. I will share one out of many experiences I have had while single and serving Jesus.

Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. Matthew 10: 16

In 2004 I had traveled to Akwa Ibom state, Nigeria for mission to Nigerian secondary school with two of the sisters in our ministry back then. The brother who was our contact there was doing his national youth service corps in that state. He had underestimated the journey to us so we found our self in a city called Onitsha half way

to Ikot-Ekpenne our first point of ministration. It was late in the night when we got to onitsha and so we couldn't continue the journey that night we never knew it will turn out like that. So we have to look for a place to pass the night with the little insufficient money in our hands as we always step out in faith to go on outreaches. We approached in what you can call a road side hotel and the man we met charge each one of us 1000 naira each back then just to stay in a room. It was outrageous so we left thinking we could get a better place but alas we didn't find any. So we move to a church by the road side where the choir was having a rehearsal for next day service as it was a Saturday with the hope of spending the night there. Apart from the fact that there was total black out, there open spaces on the wall so anyone could jump in at night.

A sister offered to take us to her compound and we followed her joyfully as we got no choice only for us to discover she was going to hand us 3 ladies to a man in a one room to sleep there. The warning alarm begins to ring in my head as we saw the man put off his shirt and lay on a chair offering us his bed. I dialogued with my sister in our native language and left. I went out and talked to God as I walked back to the first hotel that "God these your daughters are following you in my life please help us tonight so we will not become casualty in serving you" I prayed for favour and the man at hotel eventual agree to 1000 naira for the 3 of us as against the earlier offer of 3000 naira. I went back to get the other sisters and we slept in that hotel though far from comfortable but at least "safe" from becoming a causality. I can't remember sleeping throughout the night as there were many mosquitoes in the room I was praying in my heart for the

ministration ahead while constantly asking God to keep me till the very end.

Some single sisters who set out with zeal to serve the Lord unfortunately fell into such dilemma like we found ourselves that night and many have lost their purity and virtue in the process. Do you know that as a single sister serving Jesus your purity in Spirit, soul and body is important to God? Your purity is a seal of God upon your calling to serve so you must guard it with all caution. Don't let the devil steal from you, don't let his agents steal from you and of course the "seemingly" saints. In the course of ministry I have heard many pathetic stories of how supposed mentors of single sisters, pastors, fathers of faith so to say have taken advantage of them taking away their purity and the seal of God on their life and ministry. Let no one deceive you beloved single sister, your body belongs to Christ and so let no man take advantage of it. Be wise run away from situation that will land you into trouble, if that brother want to support your ministry and he is always inviting you over at odd times...Take caution!

If the only place you can meet your mentor is in a private place away from prying eyes without his wife, do not go. Special appointment in hotels and secret places for prayer support is uncalled for; you don't use your body to get money for your ministry or project it is a sin against God and your body. Don't spend the night in a single brother's room under the pretext of there is no option; there are options if only you will ask God. If a man is sleeping with you and promoting your musical album or film production you are not serving God but Satan. If you are secretly having an affair with a married man you are soiling your marital bed and offering a strange service to God therefore you will be open to all satanic activities and attack.

If the Lord has given you a vision he will surely provide for it, don't help God and get into trouble. There are cases in the bible where man tried to help God and it backfire, we are still suffering the consequences of Sarah trying to help God today by giving her maid to sleep with her husband and get a child which was a counterfeit of the promised and covenanted seed of Abraham.

But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise. Galatians 4: 23

Before you set out for any ministration seek the face of God, dress decently and if you are sleeping over in your host take caution don't go around the house in night gown. Be security conscious check that the doors are properly locked. Not that you are living in fear but you are being cautious. If you have a married mentor let it be the husband and wife, don't get so attached to another woman husband in the name of mentoring. Everything you do now is a seed so be wise and sow good seed!

May the Lord be with you as you go around serving the Lord.

Shalom!



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WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Who is an entrepreneur?

An entrepreneur is one who has the capacity and willingness to develop, organize and manage a business venture along with any of its risks in order to make a profit. (**Online business dictionary**). It includes being innovative, creative and bold. Entrepreneurs see opportunities where others see roadblocks and impossibilities. They are brave and willing to take reasonable risks.

The bible is littered with examples of godly entrepreneurs, including women. In fact, God Almighty himself is an entrepreneur. He created, developed, organised and is still in the business of managing the entire universe. In this edition, I will be enlightening us on how to develop the entrepreneurial capacities God has placed on your inside. The bible talks about women that blessed the work of God due to the financial blessing God gave to them – the Shunamite woman and Lydia are examples from scriptures.

When God made man in Genesis, he gave him the ability to create and multiply; He also made man in His image – this means that God automatically made you an entrepreneur. A creator, developer and of course a manager! The problem with today's world is that we have ideas, smooth talkers and dreamers but no “doers”! Please read on as we discover how to turn your ideas into reality.

5 Tips in starting your own enterprise

1. Nurture your idea

Everyone has an idea. It could be to record your songs,

start a business, write a script or just do something for financial profit or some other type of profit – mental, spiritual, etc. A great way to start exploring your entrepreneurial ability is to first have an idea, then grow your idea. The problem I've observed is that many people have great ideas and then they allow the ideas to die at infancy. How sad! Late Dr. Myles Munroe said that many ideas are taken to the grave, which leaves our world deprived of great and innovative inventions and inventors that would have benefitted families, communities, nations, homes and even generations! To nurture your idea, write them and place them in a place you can easily see them every day. If possible, get a writing pad for recording your ideas. Nurturing your idea also includes thinking through the basic details of your idea. The bible says whoever wants to build a tower needs to count the cost so as to assess if they are able to complete the project. Luke 14:28 You do not need to think about the big things needed to implement your idea at this stage, all you need is the basics for starting and getting you going. I call them the small but mighty things.

2. Research

Isaac Newton once said that “If I have seen further, it is because I stood on the shoulders of giants”. Exploring your business or entrepreneurial skills need some sort of research. This will give you a good understanding of what you are about to get into. Your research may include using google, talking to people that have gone through similar paths before you, reading books, to mention a few. Your research should also include identifying what



you enjoy doing; not just for the monetary rewards. Finally, find people that have succeeded in similar ventures and ask questions like:

- Why did you start the enterprise?
- What did you do to achieve success?
- How and where did you start?
- What were your failures and successes?
- What was your approach?

Questions to ask yourself include:

- Who are my target audience/stakeholders?
- What is the target market like? Is it growing, stable or declining?
- Can I be mentored into success?
- Do I enjoy doing this task or am I only money motivated? (A litmus test will be to ask yourself if you will still do the task or service if you will not be paid)
- Are there basic skills needed for my invention or start up? (Accounting, customer service, computing, etc.)
- Am I resilient in achieving success?

3. Start small - from where you are

It is often said that life is in stages and men are in sizes. Although it is a beautiful thing to have a profitable business with countless employees and stakeholders, the voice of reason recommends that starting small and with the minimum available resources reduces the risks suffered in business due to loss. A pilot test of the market may also help indicate if you will survive in your target area. If your first customers are your friends and family who will pay for your service in instalments, go for it! Be willing to offer your services for free or at reduced rates just so you can get the word out there. If yours is singing for example, you may want to join the praise band at your local church. If it is catering or event planning, you might want to help a few people or your community organise

their events at no cost. This will give you some experience while you build your profile, grow your strengths and identify areas of weaknesses.

4. Think future, think success

Oh! The joys of success, sales, contracts, recommendations and positive feedback! Celebrations come after each sale or success but as much as celebrations are sweet, the future of your innovation needs to be uppermost in your mind. Don't rest on your oars. Celebrate your success but learn from your failures. If for any reason you experience some sort of setback, get up and get back in the race. If you're going to win the war of against failure, lack and want, you need to think and talk success and keep thinking and talking about it while taking practical steps to success. Remember that faith without work is dead! James 2:17 It does not matter how many hurdles you need to cross. Your best friend and even family members may want to stop you or discourage you. Scriptures says that as a man thinks in his heart, so he is. If you think success with the right attitude, you will experience success.

5. Think God

Before starting your venture, think God. Commit your ways into the Lord's hands, trust also in Him and He will bring it to pass. Psalm 37:5 When you experience success, give God glory; when otherwise, give Him thanks. As you profit, think of blessing God's kingdom, work, and people and most importantly pay your tithes! It is easier to pay tithes of a few hundreds but it can be challenging when it is tithe of hundreds of thousands or even millions! That is the essence of the blessing. Psalm 1 says you will be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that bring forth its fruit in season and whatever He does will prosper **IF you** conduct your business or run your enterprise in a godly way. Whatever you put in God's hands will prosper if you can dare trust Him to prosper you.



In thinking God, don't just think of Him as the only one that can prosper your work but also remember to conduct your enterprise as His child. There will be quick profit offers and contracts that contradict your Christian conduct like organising an event for a gay wedding. Are you willing to wait for godly prosperity rather than quick ungodly riches, profit and fame? In everything bring glory to God's name.

My prayer for you is that as you take these steps, you will receive direction from God and that you will prosper as you wait on God's prosperity in your business, innovation or enterprise in Jesus' name. Go and profit!

Prayer points

1. Father open my eyes to see treasures where others see trash
2. Father teach my hands to profit in Jesus' name
3. Father like Jacob, give me unmatched and supernatural wisdom and ideas for the business / enterprise you have or will place in my hands in Jesus' name
4. I receive grace to give God glory for all my successes and to give thanks in every set back in Jesus' name.
5. Father bless my enterprise so that I can bless your work here on earth and receive rewards both in heaven and on earth in Jesus' name.



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WHEN AN OPEN DOOR IS A DEADLY TRAP

Episode 1

After the church service, Angela took her daughter and left for the car park. She was full of smiles and kept confessing, "This is my week of open door".

The Pastor had declared powerfully during the service that God would surprise them during the week.

As soon as she finished strapping her 4-year-old daughter to the back seat, a young man approached her.

"Hello Sister Angela! I am Bro Matt, a regular member of this church" Matt greeted her warmly. In like manner, Angela responded standing at the driver's door.

Matt, a tall and handsome man kept rapping along with sweet words how the Lord visited him during their last Men's programme with a huge contract running into millions.

Angela, a single mother working in a small company kept enjoying the various suggestions and offers from Matt.

Many thoughts were flying around in the domain of her feeble mind, "Wow, God is good. This is an answer to my prayers. The God of Pastor Abraham is wonderful. I will be able to pay my huge debts etc"

As if awakened from her mind travel, Mr Matt shook her hand to bid her goodbye. Angela thanked him joyfully.

Immediately she turned her ignition key, she remembered to ask for his contact. She jumped out of her car but Mr Matt has disappeared. Her mood changed quickly but thinking about the conversation, it gave her a renewed hope.

At exactly 8 pm that very day, her phone rang. She ignored it because her daughter was about to sleep.

After 30 minutes, her phone rang again. She picked it and behold, it was Mr Matt.

She was surprised how he got her number. Matt simply told her that he found it on the church bulletin. Oh, Angela was in the publication department.

Their friendship began with 5 minutes phone call until it graduated to visiting each other.

Angela even shared her testimony in the church how he met bro Matt and how God has transformed her financial status from being a borrower to a lender. Matt had introduced her to a business which has turned out to be a success for Angela.

After a year, Angela woke up one morning and what she saw really shook her. She found her baby wasn't on the bed with her. Her eyes sparked, her mind exploded and her hands shook vigorously while she combed the bed.

She ran to the toilet, no trace of her daughter. She ran downstairs to search for her. Suddenly, she heard the cry of a baby upstairs and how she climbed the stairs was spontaneous.

She opened the door and found out that her daughter's doll gave out the sound. Angela jumped on the bed and cried out, "Annie, where are you?"

Her phone beeped and she quickly grabbed it. She read the SMS aloud, "Annie is fine. Take care" She tried to call the number but it wasn't going through.

She cried out again, "My God, Annie has been kidnapped".

She came to herself and asked some questions, "Who came to my house? No one has access to my house. I slept at midnight. What has come over me?"

She decided to find out before informing the police. She called her intimate friend, Kate who has been with her through thick and thin. Kate was equally surprised to hear about the incident and came over to her house.

Before Kate arrived, Angela received another SMS, "You have informed Kate. Be prepared for the worse"

Angela froze on the spot. She couldn't move further



until her doorbell rang.

She managed to reach the door and opened the door. Kate tried in vain to convince her to report the case to the police.

Kate promised to come back later in the day and she left.

After 20 minutes, another SMS came in. "If you inform anyone again, just forget your daughter".

She called the number again out of desperation but didn't go through.

She sat on her favourite sofa gazing at her daughter's photo hung on the wall. She sobbed again wondering how her daughter was kidnapped right from their bedroom.

She thought of calling her pastor but fear held her back. Also, Matt has travelled out of the country for a business trip. For the past three months, they haven't been contacting each other regularly.

Angela took her phone and sent an e-mail to Matt narrating the ugly incident.

Immediately she pressed the "send" button, another SMS came in.

"Your daughter's life is at stake. Why did you send the email?"

Angela rose up and turned around to see who was watching her secretly.

"Who are you? Why are you after me? Show your face?" She cried into the air out of deep frustration.

No one showed up except the sound of the wall clock. She tiptoed to the bedroom again. She stepped on each stair with deep breathing. When she reached the bedroom, her doorbell rang.

Out of fear, she waited a bit. The doorbell rang again. Angela summoned courage to answer the visitor.

Slowly, he came down while the visitor kept knocking the door.

Angela wiped her tears away and adjusted her ruffled hairs. The visitor rang the bell again with repeated knocking.

Angela opened the door and saw Kate and a man. She let them in.

Kate introduced the man as Agent osulof edimulo, a private security agent. Angela was scared to accept the man but Kate persuaded her to consider the life of her daughter. The deal was done and agent Edimulo promised to watch over her and secure the release of her daughter.

Angela thanked her friend profusely for her kind gestures. After 10 minutes, another SMS came in. She hesitated to check it but later found out to be a message alert from her service provider.

She went upstairs to freshen up and prepare for the day. As soon as she got to the bathroom, she observed an unusual thing. She was surprised to see her urine hasn't been flushed away.

"How can I be so forgetful? Did I ever come to ease myself early this morning?" She thought aloud.

Angela's friends used to call her "Madam detergent" because of her cleanliness and orderliness. She spent less time to dress up and went downstairs to make some enquiries. The day passed away quickly but Angela couldn't sleep well throughout the night with occasional sobbing and checking her phone.

At exactly 7 am, she received a SMS "Agent Edimulo is in our custody. Be prepared for the worse"

Angela sank into the sofa after reading the text message. She cried her heart out thinking what might have befallen her daughter who just recovered from fever a week ago.

She couldn't stand staying away from her daughter for more than 24 hours. Angela rose up with renewed anger and courage to report the case to the police.

She dashed into her bedroom, changed her dress and took the car key. As soon as she entered her car, she found a note on her dashboard, "If you drive the car, be ready to meet your maker"

Angela jumped out of the car leaving the key inside. After a while, she received a call from a stranger saying, "Go inside and I will call back in the next 15 minutes"

True to his promise, the stranger called her and warned her not to inform anyone but wait till the next day for another instruction.

Day 3 arrived with cloudy weather. Rain fell heavily but that didn't dampen the spirit of a hopeful mother. She waited for the caller till evening. Out of frustration, she decided to search around her house if haply she might find her daughter.

She was shocked to see her car wasn't there again. She searched everywhere but to no avail. As she turned around to go back to the house, she met.....(to be continued)





PASTOR'S WIVES Diaspora

ROLE OF PASTORS' WIVES IN BIBLICAL TERMS IN LOCAL CHURCHES.

She is Christ image:

Pastors' wives are female children created in God's image according to the book of Genesis 2 v 21-24. She grew up and became a woman and wife, of a man ordained by heavens mandate.

Help Meet: Genesis 1 v 26-30

A man's suitable helper, who serves him with what is necessary or needed. She is to complement and not compete with man because Adam named Eve. Man's opinion is irrelevant, when it comes to God's mandate; that is just the way God made it. Our God is the God of order 1st Corinthians 14 v 40: If pastors' wives compete with their husbands, it will be a misfit. A wife reflecting God's helping character desires to sustain and uphold her husband; she comforts and protects him with a Godly character.

Role: Psalm 1 v 1-3

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the wicked, nor standeth in the way of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers: But his delight is in the law of the Jehovah; And on his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the streams of water, That bringeth forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also doth not wither; And whatsoever he doeth shall prosper (ASV)

She must first love God and get her priorities right, so that the full strength to support her husband without prejudice will be available for her.

At times, the husband might make a mistake, remember God created him as well according to Genesis 1 v 26 so, he is prone to mistakes but the wife should speak to God about it before speaking to him, just like Queen Esther.

She must ascertain her genuine love for God and remember that she cannot fulfil her husband's all-encompassing needs. For husband and wife to be united, the wife must be discerning and develop her relationship to hear God speak clearly, whilst the husband is on the war front. The book of Proverbs 31 v 10 – 31, teaches us about the responsibility of a good wife so this should be well demonstrated by pastors' wives.

Ministerial Role:

She needs to realise that, God does not give dominion mandate to the church; it was first to the family (Genesis 2 v 1-25). The church's role needs to be clear to her, to avoid frustration. The family makes up the church, a beautiful home is developed by the family and then church comes in, God said have dominion, understanding this, defined a clear role, to build on.

Church: Matthew 16 v 17-18

And I tell you that you are Peter upon this rock, I will build my church the gates of Hades will not overcome it:

It means the church is built on revelation, not carnality, which means pastors' wives have to cut down on excesses if she really wants to do God's work, without reservations.

Let us look at hindrances to fulfilling God mandate with the spouse.

Association: 2nd Timothy 3 v 1:

But mark this there will be terrible times in the last days, this is the time the Bible has fore known and spoken about,

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Because of Impostors

Men shall be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, haughty, railers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, implacable, slanderers, without self-control, fierce, no lovers good, traitors, headstrong, puffed up, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but deny the power therefore. From these also turn away.

Total conformity to the image of God, by separating herself from what is written above could result in loneliness because, pastors' wives who willingly demonstrates the above mentioned will be lonely, criticized and hated. One thing is sure, God called them and He paid their wages (Protection/Provision). God will not owe her, if she is determined to be different in this dying world.

To whom much is given, much is expected. She is however, not superior to other women, but because her responsibility and accountability differs so she needs to delight herself in the Lord.

Identity: the fact of being who or what a person is.

John 1-12-13, As many that received him, he gave them power to become the child of God... in the scripture Bible often refer to the female believer as a (daughter and heir of God). She needs to remember she existed before meeting her husband and will give account. Jeremiah 48 v 10A: Woe to him that doeth the work of the Lord deceitfully: Constantly ask God what he wants you do.

Encouragement:

Hebrews 6 v 12: We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

Affordable Exercise Health Tips for Pastors Wives in Diaspora

Keep it Simple: **1st Timothy 4 v 8A: For bodily exercise profiteth little,**

That little needs to be discovered as pastors' wives need to find out ways to ease off stress. Lets us look at few: Exercise in general is good for a lot more than just losing

weight and building muscles, it also boosts one's memory and helps one learn better. It boost confidence, improves appearances and which is evident.

Prayer walk: your husband might not always be available but it's one thing you will enjoy. There are so many beautiful foot paths in diaspora, that will make you enjoy it early or late in the evening, but moreso, encourage your husband to be committed to prayer walk.

Walking:

Everyone carries a certain amount of stress after a long day work, or even in the ministry. Stress can wreak one like a car so it helps to get one's mind off things because you need energy to face the next challenge. You should keep a clear head from time to time, so you can think clearly and handle difficult situations. A daily thirty minute walk is recommended and the advantages are numerous, but do read more on exercising. It prevents health risks especially heart attacks.

Swimming: (Advantage) Swimming is a good activity because you destress in water which cools down your head and reduces stress level. and improves self-esteem, it releases tension. It boost the mood, swimmers are less prone to anger and confusion as good hormones are released which keeps one looking younger. Swimming improves your sleep and sex life. It also controls blood sugar levels and reduces cholesterol. Swimmers are less likely to develop heart diseases and strokes. A minimum visit, twice a week to the pool and steam room is highly recommended.

Time off/Holidays: I want to re-iterate that some of these tips are not written plainly in the bible but they are pure common sense. Going on holidays does not necessarily mean you have to leave your country or travel far, it could be within a short distance. Even Christian retreat is part of spiritual holidays. Holiday is recommended for at least once in three months. You also don't need to do any compulsory shopping, just relax and switch off your phone. If you have children or younger ones, try and make plans for them and let them know your reasons for doing so.



Validated: Myself and my family have practised all the above mentioned points and I guarantee you that, it works. Sometimes when there are so many issues ministry or amongst women, we organise spiritual retreat, whereby we pray and fellowship together as women.

In conclusion

Life of Prayer and fasting Ezra 8 v 23: So we fasted and earnestly prayed that God would take care of us, and he heard our prayer. She needs to have her husband as the first prayer partner before any friend. My personal opinion is that she must love everyone but not as a close friends. This is drawn from my fifteen years in ministry and twenty five years of marriage to God's glory. She is called pastor's wives because there is him for her. Remember the journey of faith is at times lonely, just like JESUS...From shepherd Bush to Kings Cross.

Love and admire all women holding forth as its not easy but God makes it all easier.



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Health Talk

PREVENTING NEWBORN DEATHS - MY ROLES AS A MUM

In the last edition, we discuss on how to experience motherhood safely. In this edition the focus is on our roles as mothers to make sure our babies live after delivery. The Word of God already promised us that we shall not cast our young. Our children will live and not die in Jesus name. There are however practical steps we can also take as mums to see this promise fulfilled.

Majority of deaths in young children below the age of five years actually occur in the newborn babies; accounting for 41% of all such deaths globally. Among the newborn deaths, 75 % occur in the first week of life. A child's risk of death in the first four weeks of life is nearly 15 times greater than any other time before his or her first birthday!!! Many deaths occur at home and are therefore unseen and uncouned in official statistics especially in the developing countries like Nigeria. These are serious statistics. Fortunately, up to two thirds of newborn deaths can be prevented if known, effective health measures are provided at birth and during the first week of life.

Before going into the preventive measures, we need to know why the newborns are dying. The three most prevalent causes of deaths in the newborn babies are: birth-related or 'birth asphyxia' when the babies do not cry at birth (28%), complications of preterm birth – that is babies born too early (28%) and severe infections (26%). Other causes of newborn deaths are birth injuries, neonatal tetanus amongst others. There are simple things we can do as Christian mothers so our newborns will not be part of these statistics.

The things we can do can be grouped into things we can do before we are even pregnant, things we can do during pregnancy and delivery and things we can do after the baby is born.

BEFORE PREGNANCY (PRE-NATAL)

1. Delay of the first pregnancy until after 18years. This is especially important for the youths to know. Older mothers can also help by ensuring our girls go to school and tell them about dangers of teenage pregnancy. This is not just about religion or morality but saving lives as risk of death and long-term complications for both mother and child are higher in teen mothers.
2. Space each pregnancy - at least 24 months gap between the pregnancies. We can easily this by doing family planning. There are different family planning methods and services are readily available all over the country even at Health Centres. Too many and too often pregnancies are associated with complications that can lead to newborn deaths.
3. Know your HIV status prior to pregnancy and if positive, avail yourself of Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission Programme available in public health facilities. This will reduce the chances of new-borns getting HIV and dying.





Toxoids (TT) , Intermittent Preventive Treatment during pregnancy (IPTp) for malaria and so on.

CHILDBIRTH/DELIVERY

1. Ensure you prepare well ahead and deliver under supervision of skilled birth attendant who has the ability to resuscitate newborns at birth. The churches and pastors are not the people trained to take deliveries. Please let us be wise and go to the hospitals. Prayers are good but wisdom is also profitable to direct.
2. Ensure the hospital you deliver have a link/ambulance to transfer you to the next level of care should things be going wrong. Let me state here like my Prof in Medical school taught me – THE SUN MUST NOT SET TWICE ON A WOMAN IN LABOUR!!!
3. If a woman in labour who has delivered before is still in labour after 12 hours, something may be wrong and if a first-time mother is still in labour after 24 hours, something is wrong definitely. Ask your doctor and if you are not satisfied with the explanation, request a specialist/Obstetrician's review.
4. All mothers with previous complicated pregnancies MUST deliver in a hospital with birth attended to by Obstetrician and Paediatricians.

1. Take folic acid regularly once you are in the child-bearing age from 15 years. This will prevent the risk of babies with spina bifida – congenital malformation that may also lead to serious disabilities for the babies or deaths in some cases.

PREGNANCY (ANTENATAL)

1. Antenatal Care (ANC) – very essential!!! Experienced mothers should avoid the 'I know it all' syndrome which often makes them wait till last trimester before registering for antenatal care! Each pregnancy is different. Early registration will help doctors to pick out high risk pregnancy that need more specialist care.
2. Churches are not qualified places for antenatal care except where they have standard clinics manned by qualified healthcare-providers! So also are “Ile-Alagbo” or Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) not suitable for pregnancy and delivery care except those who have been trained and registered by the Government. Request for their certificates before you entrust your life and that of your unborn child into their hands.
3. ANC is not about singing and chatting with fellow pregnant sisters.....The care must be focused and include all the essential packages we discussed under safe motherhood including Tetanus

POST-NATAL (AFTER DELIVERY)

This period is also very important; just as important as the other periods we have discussed as there are times many things still go wrong at this stage.

It has been said (albeit in folklores) that naming newborns in Nigeria (Yoruba especially) is delayed till 7th day so as to be sure the baby will definitely live and not die!



To avoid unnecessary newborn deaths after birth as mothers, let's ensure the following

1. Ensure the newborn is kept warm – no need for twice daily baths
2. Hygienic care of the umbilical cord and skin - Apply CHLORHEXIDINE GEL daily for seven days until the cord dropped.
Please NO cow-dung, metholatum, wet/dry heat application, dusting powder etc on the cord. Keep it dry!!! Also keep the diaper below the level of the cord so it can remain dry.
3. Exclusive and immediate, exclusive breast-feeding.
4. Immunizations especially BCG, Hepatitis B and Polio. We should continue with the National Immunization Schedule in our country. Do not miss any as they prevent deaths caused by the diseases the vaccines protect against.
5. Ensure your healthcare provider give the baby Vitamin K injection at birth to prevent bleeding.
6. Avoid leaving the hospital early at least not less than 48 hours after birth. If leaving early is unavoidable, then schedule a home visit to you by your healthcare provider or you bring the baby back for review within 48 – 72 hours so early problems can be identified and treated promptly.
7. Watch out for danger signs and take the baby back to hospital if you notice the following – fever (hot body), refusal to suck/feed, jaundice (yellow skin and eyes), if the newborn has reduced activity, difficult breathing, fits or convulsions, or feels cold etc. If in doubt, please call the doctor
8. Avoid medications that are not prescribed and native concoctions.
9. Ensure you do birth registration as soon as possible.
10. Keep up with all the follow-up appointments that you are given at the hospitals. These are important opportunities for the doctors to check that your baby is growing well and doing fine.



I believe that with prayers and faith; also not failing to do the works of faith by implementing the above principles, our newborns will be prevented from dying at birth. .



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The Journey so far DAUGHTERS OF DESTINY ONLINE FELLOWSHIP

We bless the name of the Lord for His unending ideas He always give to our dear sister Toyin, may His name be

continually praised! On this day I, and the other members of this ministry, can look back and say of a truth the Lord God of Elijah has been with us for the past 20 years.

Daughters of Destiny Online Fellowship started 5 years ago and I remember vividly the first fellowship we had on line, the topic was a girl child. I was blessed by it and since then I promised myself that I will never miss the program. We do meet fortnightly on Saturdays by 6pm Nigerian time via Skype. Our schedules always involve the word which is our sword, practical discussions which is our life experiences, testimonies with which we overcome the world and a time of prayers which we have had various testimonies as a result.

Many sisters, particularly Nigerian sisters in Diaspora and other nationals connect to fellowship together and it has always been a refreshing time for us all. This fellowship was born out of need for real fellowship as many us has lost the life-touching fellowship we used to have back home and we always feel at home during our time of meetings. We do not only limit our fellowship on line, we have had many time out with sisters in places like the United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland, and Spain. We are still looking forward to having many more time out with sisters in other countries.

Interestingly, some members of the daughters of destiny online fellowship featured in one of the ministry movie in 2014 titled "MIGHTY HANDS". We depict a few scenes in the movie just like we do during our Skype meeting. This was put together as a result of the testimony of one us and a living proof that God is indeed in our midst. If you want to know how that was done, just get to watch the MIGHTY HANDS! It is available on Toyin Eso-Fatunsin's channel on YouTube.

We did not end our fellowship on Skype; we extended it to our Face book group which has been on in since year 2008 in order for our sisters who do not have access to Skype to enjoy what we enjoy in our meetings on Skype by posting updates and many other interactive moments. In our midst, we have so many testimonies of marriages, babies, and graduations among others. The Lord has been so good to us and He always fight our battle because under His everlasting arm we do lean and we have never been put to shame and we will not. We will continue to come together so He can continue to fight and win our battles for us. If there is anything that the enemy of our soul fears, it is our bound together as

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believers, our unity and this we will always do, fellowship in one accord! Long live DOD! one accord! Long live DOD!



Folake Ayandokun

"There is as much greatness of mind in acknowledging a good turn, as doing it. Happiness cannot be traveled to; Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace and gratitude.

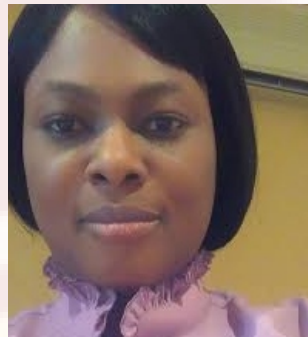
This online fellowship has really be a blessing to me and my family in so many ways, whenever am down, when I think of so many words we shared together, it lifted my spirit again and keep me going.

Psalm 16:8 says I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Many struggles with depression, heartache, health issues, relationships and school-related challenges but through this online fellowship, God has really be my sustenance.

From the online fellowship I learnt how to cast my care upon the one whose Shoulders are big enough to carry the burden for me".

I am proud to be one of the daughters of destiny (DOD) online fellowship.



Sis F.T Aluko
Doha, Qatar.

We do not pray for God to be there, because He is there always





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Beloved people of God I want to use this opportunity to thank God for making me part of DOD for good 5years now, wow... Halleluyah!

Indeed great things He has done, greater things He will do unto the Lord be all glory, great things He has done. This wonderful online meeting of devoted and dedicated sisters led by our dear sister Toyin Fatunsin has really been a great blessing to my spiritual life and family.

Ever since I joined this amazing group online, I have experienced the love of God in a dynamic way, God has answered my numerous prayer points, one of them is blessing me with a job that gives me room to evangelise to both my colleagues and others. God has also given and is still giving me the grace and mercy through songs ministrations to reach out and be a blessing to other churches in my city and other cities in Germany . He is still doing more in my family, ministry and career to His glory and honour. Nothing shall separate me from the Love of God!

The edifying and undiluted word of God I receive whenever we have our online meeting has helped in shaping my spiritual life, in bringing up my Children in the ways of God and in being the proverbs 31 virtuous woman, and it has also made me conscious of my actions and words. I have received greater grace to burn for the Lord in the ministry he has called me into. Life in Europe can be discouraging, especially things happening in the body of Christ but whenever I partake in our monthly meeting, the fire in me get rekindled and I feel refreshed again. I want to thank God for the special grace bestowed upon our Sister Toyin to be able to lead us as God directs. May God continue to bless her and all my beloved DOD sisters worldwide in Jesus Name.

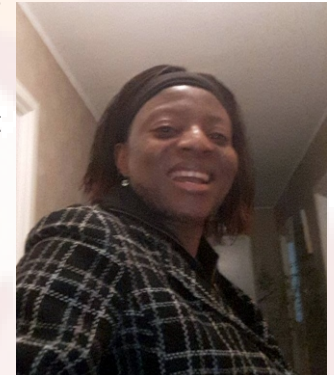
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Sis. Sandra Chi Benedict, Wolfsburg Germany.

The Daughters of Destiny Skype online fellowship (globally connected) has been a real quality time with the Lord and my fellow Christian sisters. I am always expectant looking forward to be blessed each weekend though it is a bi-weekly basis. We share the word of God through anointed sisters, engage in prayers, godly discussions, and testimonies have been on daily returns. I have been transformed spiritually etc. and pleased to be part of this vision. By the grace of God, I have introduced to this fellowship friends and lovers of Jesus Christ and their testimonies keeps coming daily with thanksgiving to the most High God for being part of this great commission. Praise God I am lifted!.....

Sis. Nnenna Okafor Uppsala, Sweden



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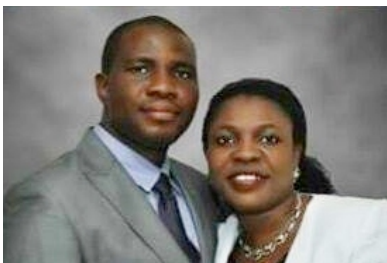
We celebrate Jesus in you and the ministry. We take this occasion to rejoice with you for serving the Lord relentlessly for good two decades. By the grace of God you had sailed through rough weather, went through mountains and valleys and still standing unshaken. Our sincere prayers is that, the Almighty that has been your help and strength will honour you above your equals and crown you with glory and favour. More of God's anointing and inspiration to continue to set the captives free. We love you and everything that God is doing through you.

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