



NLBC Newsletter

Welcome to the first issue of NLBC Newsletter!

The NLBC Newsletter is finally here praise the Lord! In the newsletter there will be articles from various church members, poems, testimonies, quizzes and details of upcoming events and programs.

Please don't just read the newsletter but be a part of it too! Yes we are one body in Christ and we want to know what the Lord is doing in your life and also it is an opportunity for you to share what you have learnt from the teaching of the Word. Have you recently written a poem or song? Send it in and let us share together and edify one another. **Please send any articles, poems, testimonies or anything you would like to share in the newsletter to media@nlbc london.org**

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Prayer Day June 2015

2015 will be the first year that the intercessory team take over the service! The intercessory team consists of men and women who desire to 'stand in the gap' in prayer and supplications on behalf of the saints.

We have been commissioned by Pastor Richard to have a 'prayer day'. In line with the usual events we have such as Sisters and Men's day, we now have Prayer day that will not necessarily follow the 'norm' of the services that we have, but let's just say we are excited to be a part of what God will do.

Date: 28th June 10am – 1pm

Upcoming Events

- **Worker's Meeting -**
Friday 12th June 6pm
- **Prayer Sunday -**
28th June 10am – 1pm
- **Church Outing –**
Saturday 4th July
- **All Nations Day –**
Sunday 26th July
10am – 1pm

On Saturday the 23rd of May, NLBC's football team 'God's Red Army' took part in the 12th annual London Churches Football tournament. Barely spending any time in training the God's Red Army managed to defy all the odds and make it through to the quarter finals. We are very proud of you! Keep up the good work and looking forward to you bringing back the trophy next year.



YOU ARE A CANDIDATE FOR BREAKTHROUGH

By Oreolu John Akinduro

"And all the people at the gate and the elders said, We are witnesses. May the Lord make the woman who is coming into your house like Rachel and Leah, the two who built the household of Israel. May you do worthily and get wealth (power) in Ephrathah and be famous in Bethlehem. And let your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah, because of the offspring which the Lord will give you by this young woman." Ruth 4:11-12 AMP

In the marriage of Boaz to Ruth the elders prayed that the household of the newlywed will be like the house of Perez whom Tamar bore for Judah. To refresh your memory, Perez was the product of the adulterous and incestuous union which Tamar had with Judah in Genesis 38.

The story goes thus; Tamar was married in succession to two brothers Er and Onan the sons of Judah whom the Lord slew because of their wickedness. Although her father-in-law Judah promised Shelah his third son to Tamar as well, he never fulfilled his promise to her ("--- for he feared he too would die like his brothers" verse 11). In frustration and anger over her father-in-law's injustice and her own desire to have a child, Tamar disguised like a road side harlot, she seduced and entrapped Judah - her own father-in-law. Tamar became pregnant and when Judah her father in-law found out, he threatened Tamar with death sentence thinking she had committed adultery.

Tamar produced her evidence to prove that Judah is responsible for the baby and thus the death penalty was lifted.

When the time for Tamar to give birth came and she went to labour, lo and behold, there were twins in her womb; while she was giving birth, one put out a hand, and the midwife took and tied a scarlet thread on his hand, saying, "This one came out first." (the scarlet cord was tied to the wrist, for identification purpose, to know which was the firstborn; which, to know was a matter of consequence, by Jewish tradition, the firstborn has some special and peculiar privileges). But it came about as he drew back his hand the other child breaks out ahead of him, and they call him Perez "for he has broken through" and afterward his brother came out who had the scarlet thread on his hand; and he was named Zerah.



By "breaking out" or coming out first, Perez won the birthright privilege of the first born. It is interesting to know that despite the deceitfulness and the ugly linings surrounding Perez's birth, the lineage of King David and ultimately, Jesus the Messiah came through him (Matthew 1:3) – Waah! That is GRACE. King David, like his forefather

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Perez, demonstrated that through faith and obedience there is no barrier one cannot break through. David came to know God as Lord of the breakthrough (2 Sam. 5:20-21) and Jesus Christ is known as the "Breaker" in (Micah 2:13).

Thus, by pronouncing the blessing of Perez to be on Ruth's children, the elders were asking God to give them the "spirit of breakthrough."

Brethren, you may be feeling low from life's struggle and defeat; Perhaps many of your colleagues or mates had gone far ahead of you in terms of achievements and accomplishments; Uhm! Remember Zerah was coasting home ahead, until when Perez broke through and won the race for the firstborn inheritance - there is nothing a man with the "spirit of Perez" - the "breaker" anointing cannot achieve.

As you read and meditate on this little article, I pray that the Lord will release the spirit of "Perez" upon you, the anointing that will cause you to breakthrough over everything that stands as a hindrance and obstacle to your life and destiny. You will step higher, you will be lifted from the valley to the mountain, you will step away from the ordinary into the extra ordinary, you will not settle for the crumble, but you will reach out for the full loaf. Shalom!!

Dead or Planted?

Sometimes, a lot happens in good people's lives
 Most times, those things make one not to thrive
 They entirely inconsistent with what folks deserve
 May be it is the evil ones punishment to serve
 But what if such discipline is from God?
 Hard as it may seem some chastisement is not odd
 Beneficial for our good, may not be sweet as food.
 Things often don't happen to us but happen for us.
 The delays only want to aid us have the best by force
 Not to frustrate but build our patience
 Sometimes, to renew our strength and allegiance
 Like a seed planted that says
 Oops am buried in the dark earth left to die for days
 But in its death lies its resurrection
 Once crucified with Christ and now we enjoy his emancipation
 Man LOVES the merry of now
 but the work of today makes tomorrow wow
 HEY!! Here lies a lazy man asking for a miracle
 But that equals calling your sister; your uncle
 Please ask the long and beautiful orange tree how it feels
 It's so healthy; it can pierce any careless finger on its leaves
 It simply forgets its groaning in the grooming time
 So it is for the planted at its prime
 Sometimes those seemingly hard conditions bake
 We should neither grumble nor run away or we will be rancid cake
 Such actually helps us get thinking of our heavenly father
 And who else can make us any better?
 Like the seed we are planted and not buried
 Let not your heart fail you neither be ye worried
 If it's not chastening, it's certainly a trial or a way out
 Find out which for problems are bigger without faith but doubts
 When the challenge is bad and too hard to bear
 Keep in mind someone cares and you can share
 Remember in all we are not buried but planted.
 Say to yourself, I'll grow again I am not stopped.
 Keep growing.... keep watching, keep the candle up...stay on top as
 The thinking continues.....

By Ijeoma Ukeni



Main Services

Sundays: 10am to 1pm

Wednesday: 7pm to 8:30pm

Prayer Meetings: Every 2nd Friday
and last Wednesday of the month.

Monthly Revival Worship Service:
Last Friday of the Month

For Sale

Message by visiting pastor Rev.
Kenneth Ononeze is available for
sale.

Title: *Key To Your Miraculous*

Monthly Revival Worship Service

The last Friday of every month is a special day for us at New Life Bible Church. The evening service has been dedicated to worshipping God with freedom and abandonment in the Spirit and truly we have been having a great time of it. It is usually a time of powerful Worship, Singing, Ministrations, Healings, Revival, Times of refreshing all in God's presence.



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As part of the Elim centenary celebrations the senior pastor will be doing a teaching series on the foundations of the Elim movement. The Elim movement started on the principles of making disciples for Christ and there is a growing need to go back to the founding principles of the movement.