

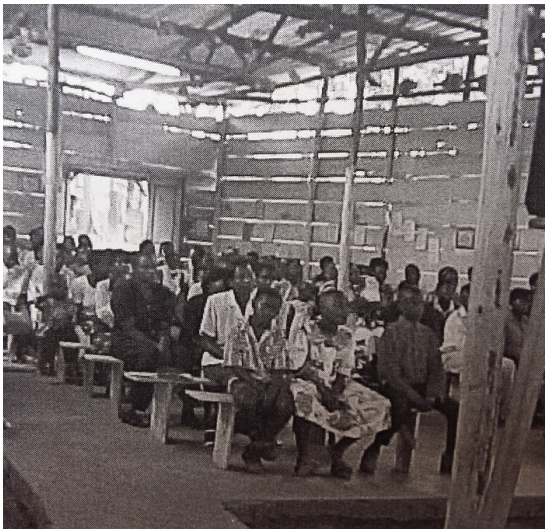
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How to rest in God

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Redeemed Life church at Stella

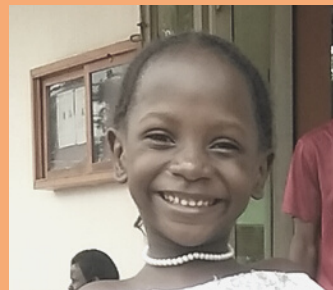
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We live in a noisy world, a world filled with distractions, frustrations, obligations and complications. But we must not allow our clamorous world to separate us from God's rest. God's rest is a state or place where He rules and manages His creation; free from chaos and disorder brought about by sin and rebellion. The Bible says "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28.

We ought to feel embraced in God's love and mercy because He went to great depths of even sending His only son to set us free and give us rest. When life's challenges stress you out, the best way to cope is to stop, catch your breath, and remind yourself that God has authority and power over every situation. Job was deserted by his wife and friends during times of trial but he stayed firm and rested in God.

Brethren, if we are to maintain righteous minds and compassionate hearts, we must take time each day for prayer and meditation. We must quiet our minds and hearts to sense God's love, will and rest.



Jesus, our righteousness

WRITTEN BY TRACY NANYONGA

Righteousness is the quality of being right in the eyes of God. It is a beautiful gift from God to humanity through Jesus Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

After the fall of man, God wanted to restore the relationship He had with man which had been broken because of sin. He did this by sending Jesus Christ, who lived a perfect life, died for our sins and rose again so that we who believe in Him would have His righteousness imputed onto us.

Colossians 1:2 says "But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation."

2 Corinthians 5:21 states clearly "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" Since the death and resurrection of Christ, the purpose of the law has been fulfilled and as a result everyone who believes in Him is made right with God

"Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes" Romans 10:4. Believing in Jesus is a work of faith not the work of flesh, and it is the only way we can attain the free gift of righteousness.



Easter points to God's love

Easter defines love.

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. (1 Jn. 3:16) For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son ... (Jn. 3:16)

Easter demonstrates God's love.

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Rom. 5:8) This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. (1 Jn. 4:9-10)

Easter epitomizes love.

Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. (Jn. 15:13)

Easter enables us to love.

We love because he first loved us. (1 Jn. 4:19). And live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Eph. 5:2)

What We Can Learn About Love Because of Easter

Easter teaches us that love sacrifices for another.

Easter teaches us that love gives to others.

Easter teaches us that love wants the best for others.

Easter teaches us that love does not wait for someone else to take the first step.

Easter teaches us that love reaches out unconditionally, even to the seemingly unlovable.

"And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge-that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God." (Eph. 3:17-19)

The "I wills" of Jesus

COMPILED BY FRANK LUTWAMA

A wise man once said, "A man is as good as his word." This simply means a person can only be trusted if they keep their word.

Jesus and his word are inseparable. That means everything He says to do, He will do. God can not break His word. If He never fulfills His word, then we have no God. Of the devil, John 8:44 says He is the father of lies and there is no truth in him. But thanks be to God for the word of God is truth (John 17:17). This is why we can build our lives on the word. Before Jesus came to the earth, His name wasn't Jesus, His name was The word. (John 1:1)

His word is His strength and His word is Him. That's why the Bible says Jesus Christ is the same yesterday today and forever (Hebrews 13:8) because God and His word never change. This gives us the confidence to pray bold prayers because we know that if God spoke something in His word, then it's already done. In the Bible God says "I will" numerous times. In Matthew 16:16-18, God says "I will build my church." No matter what the devil does, the church is not afraid because it is built on a rock.

Over the years, Christians have been oppressed all over the world but no one has ever been able to stop the church from expanding.

According to recent statistics, there are more people getting born again in Africa than those who are being born, and yet Africa has the highest birthrate in the world.

Other "I wills of Jesus" include Luke 5:13, where we see Jesus letting us know His desire for us concerning healing for our bodies. When the leper asked Jesus if He was willing to heal him, He answered "I will." In Matthew 4:19 Jesus says, "I Will make you fishers of men." Here He gave us the power to be His witnesses everywhere we go.

These and many more other promises are for us to live abundant lives that glorify God.



Trusting God

One thing I have discovered is that trusting God requires surrendering all you've got.

We have to trust God for everything and that includes our finances, health, family, work and every other aspect of our lives.

Proverbs 3:5-6 says "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths".

Trusting God is getting out of the boat and walking on the water even when everything you know says otherwise. It's putting all your hope in Jesus. The Bible says we walk by faith and not by sight. Faith requires believing that God can make a way where there seems to be no way. When we choose to trust God, we reap great benefits such as joy and peace which bring so much satisfaction. On the other hand playing it safe robs us of an opportunity for God to bless us. An important aspect of trusting God is declaring the truth of His word over your life in every situation. Philemon 1:6 says "the communication of your faith becomes effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus." As we choose in every single moment of our lives to embrace all that God wants to do through us, the results will affect not only us but our friends, family and the entire world.



Women's week at RLC

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Women play a very important role in the development and success of any society therefore recognising and empowering them as key actors is essential for the growth of families, communities, and nations at large.

Throughout history Women have contributed much to church ministry and were also part of our Lord Jesus Christ's life and ministry.

Jesus treated women with dignity and respect and he elevated them in a world where they were often mistreated. His teaching and actions affirmed the worth and value of women as persons to be included along with men within God's love and service.

He did not only stop at healing and saving them but He also empowered them with scriptural knowledge and included them in his group of committed disciples. Examples can be seen with Mary of Bethany, the Samaritan woman, Mary Magdalene, Peter's Mother to mention but a few. At RLC we recognize the potential and contribution of women to ministry and therefore in celebrating these we organize a Women's week during which women are responsible for leading all programs.

This event happened from the 6th to 12th March 2023 with sermons from Pr Margaret Kiyaga preaching on Friday 10th March overnight on the importance of putting on the whole armor of God, Mrs Fideline Bidorho preached on Sunday about the importance of Women discovering their potentials and fulfilling their responsibilities and the week long event was wrapped up by Pastor Sherina Nakabira on Sunday preaching about the 3 dimensions of the Holy Spirit Ephesians 6: 13-18, John 16: 7-8.



Testimonies

We thank God who enabled our beloved father Pastor Mark Kiyaga, to minister in various churches in Rwanda.

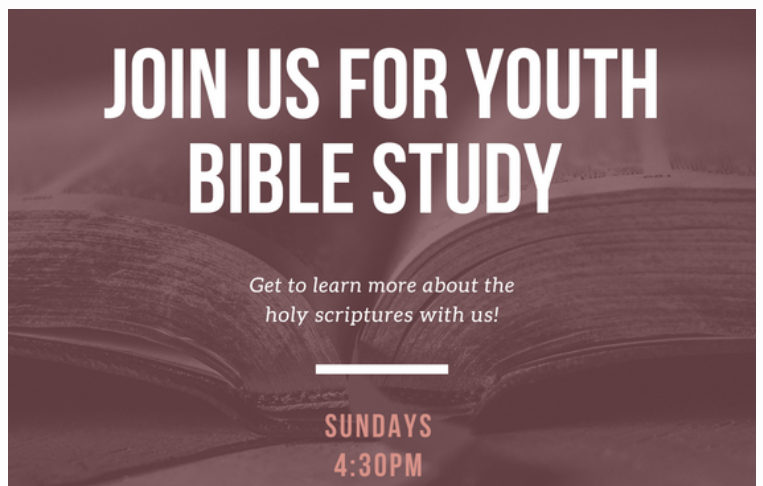
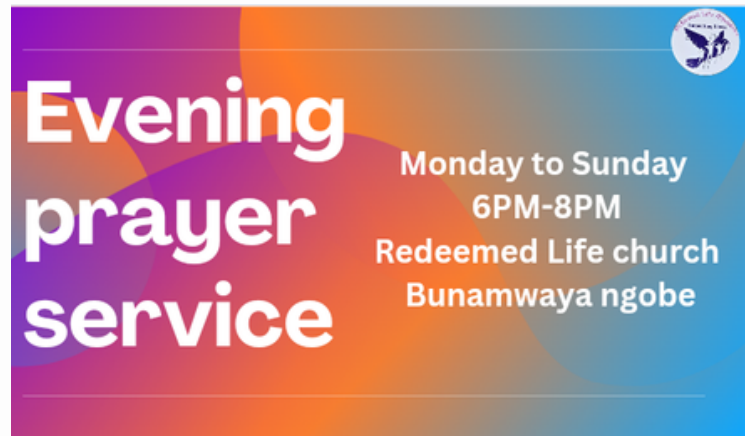
We thank God for blessing us with His glorious presence during the worship night.

We also thank God who provided sewing machines that are being used to skill church members.

Upcoming events



Invite a friend and come to our Special Easter service on Sunday April 9 with a musical production, starting 4pm at Redeemed Life church Bunamwaya



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