### Last Sunday message...

### **Bible reading: Galatians (1:1-10)**

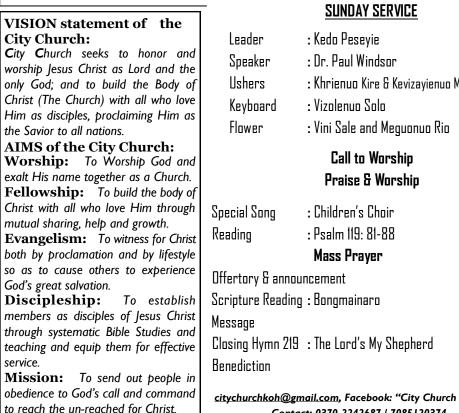
# 1. Apostle Paul asserts his authority(Gal 1:1-2)

Unlike all other epistles of Paul, the letter to the churches of Galatia has special emphasis of Paul's Apostolic Authority. He asserts that his apostleship is not (a) from men (b) nor through men (c) but through Jesus Christ and (d) God the Father who raised him from the dead. This statement has to be read with specific attention and with reference to history in Acts 9:6. Acts 2:24 as to how Paul became an apostle of Jesus Christ.

## 2. Paul affirms Salvation in Christ(1:3-4)

That Jesus gave himself (a ransom) for our sins. (b) That the purpose of saving us is to deliver us from the present evil world in which we live now. (c) That this salvation in Jesus is exclusively according to the will of God and Father. (d) That all these are for the glory of God in eternity and not one bit of human achievement

- 3. Paul abhors Galatian Church departing from the original Gospel(1:6-7) "I marvel at you", Paul said - that the churches of Galatia were turning away to different gospel! Some preachers came preaching the gospel adding tradition, human merit and good works. Paul underlined here that salvation is by the 'grace' of God and is a 'gift' (Eph. 2:8-10).
- 4. Paul condemns false gospel other than the one of Christ and in Christ alone (1:8-10).
- I) First, adding tradition of Judaism and circumcision better than the grace of God in Christ which is the false gospel. They are not based on the teaching of the word of God.
- II) The second, characteristics of Paul's adversaries are (a) false motives they practiced (b) compromise as man pleasers and not Christ. Apostle Paul used the word "anathema" or "accursed" to those who distorted the gospel of Jesus Christ for their own popularity and profit.
- **Conclusion**: Today, the gospel of Jesus Christ is being diluted and twisted to suit our tradition and situation. Patronising dignitaries, VIP's, authority of clergies, rich persons are blurring the vision of the gospel. Baptism and Lord's Supper without true repentance could give a false hope of salvation. Our good works and pietistic attitude and attire could invite God's anathema (wrath) on ourselves. Let us get back to the true gospel. -Dr. Vinito Chishi



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### PRAYER

service.

- Pray for Dr. Paul Windsor as he heads the Langham Preaching movement worldwide in training preachers and pastor's in over 70 different countries.
- Pray for Johnson Raih and Dr. Paul Windsor as they travel back to Bangalore tomorrow.
- Pray for all who attended the Life Impact 2017 that the seeds sown may grow into good fruit that will last.

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### Psalm 119:81-88

Your word, LORD, is eternal;

it stands firm in the heavens.

Your faithfulness continues through all generations;

you established the earth, and it endures.

Your laws endure to this day,

for all things serve you.

If your law had not been my delight,

I would have perished in my affliction.

I will never forget your precepts,

for by them you have preserved my life.

Save me, for I am yours;

I have sought out your precepts.

The wicked are waiting to destroy me,

but I will ponder your statutes.

To all perfection I see a limit,

but your commands are boundless.

# 24<sup>th</sup> September, 04:00 pm

Leader : Bokato Hesso Speaker : Dr. Paul Windsor

## Praise & Worship

# Offering for Life Impact

Scripture Reading	: Dr. Bilva Yalie
Message	
Closing Hymn	: Christ be our Light
Benediction	

#### Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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#### **Information**

- Wednesday Bible study at 5pm.
- Next Thursday Women's fellowship @ 5pm: Leader-*Mhonchumi Ngullie*, Scripture Reading- *Aren Kechu* and Sharing-*Neikule*.

## **NOTES:**