#### AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES

Snippets from the sermon on Mission Sunday by Kungsang Chhopel, Bhutan.

### The Power to Witness.

• "Wait in Jerusalem for the Holy Spirit, and after you receive power, you will go out to be my witnesses." The world has seen enough of preachers. The world needs witnesses. To be effective witnesses, we must first obey God. If they see us obeying God, then we can be witnesses. (Acts

## The Lordship of Christ.

- Great commission is not only about going out to the mission field. It is also about teaching others to obey everything Jesus had taught. (Matthew 28:16-20.)
- Jesus is our Saviour, and that is our problem. More importantly, He is our Lord. We face many unnecessary issues in church today because Jesus is only our Saviour and not our Lord.
- To many people, Bible has become a descriptive book, not a prescriptive book. Church has become only a social gathering. Success has become the main driving force. Ministry and mission have become a means to earn livelihood, not a call to serve sacrificially. This is because Christ is just our Saviour and not our Lord and Master.

## Suffering in the Christian life and ministry.

- Great Commission is costly because the only Son was crucified. If we set out in obedience to this commission, we must also be prepared to suffer and be inconvenienced for it. Jesus said we enter though a narrow gate. Narrow gates and roads are difficult and inconvenient, but Jesus said, "deny yourself, take up your cross daily and follow me". Jesus never said it would be easy. Suffering is part of the Christian life and ministry. Mission work is often like being the "...sheep among the wolves."
- Give up your life. Give it up until it hurts, like Jesus who gave up His life for us.

## The Seriousness of Sin and the only way to God.

- Jesus had to die because sin is serious. Therefore we can't take sin lightly. Everyone takes cancer very seriously. Sin is more dangerous than cancer, because it can destroy the eternal soul.
- Do we really believe that people are lost without Christ? Do we really believe that Jesus is the only way?

#### The Call, the Power, the Means.

- Live well, and speak clearly. Living as good examples is not a substitute for sharing the Gospel verbally, and sharing verbally is not a substitute for being good examples. We need to do both equally well.
- Imitate Christ: It is difficult to imitate someone we don't know well. We cannot imitate Christ if we do not know Christ well through His word. The key to knowing Christ is to keep meditating on His Word.
- Many leaders have come and gone. Jesus' cause and leadership is still strong because Jesus sacrificed for His followers. Jesus was the only person on earth who had no agenda of His own.
- Jesus usually choose illiterate people. God works through people who will fully trust Him and fully surrender to Him, and not necessarily through people who know a lot.
- The Great Commission belongs to God and He will bring the victory. The plan belongs to God, and the victory will also come from God. Nothing is too big for God. He can help us accomplish, because it is His work.



THE WISDOM OF GOD

# Sunday Service

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VISION statement of the **City Church:** 

City Church seeks to honor and worship lesus Christ as Lord and the only God; and to build the Body of Christ (The Church) with all who love Him as disciples, proclaiming Him as the Savior to all nations.

**AIMS of the City Church:** 

**Worship:** To Worship God and exalt His name together as a Church.

Fellowship: To build the body of Christ with all who love Him through mutual sharing, help and growth.

**Evangelism:** To witness for Christ both by proclamation and by lifestyle so as to cause others to experience God's great salvation.

**Discipleship:** To establish members as disciples of Jesus Christ through systematic Bible Studies and teaching and equip them for effective service.

**Mission:** To send out people in obedience to God's call and command to reach the un-reached for Christ.

: Rolice Odvuo Leader

Speaker : Rev. Chingmak Chang Ushers : Shikna & Yansaroni Yanthan

: Hokali Valeo Flower : Luket Achumi Kevboard

Praise & Worship

Welcome & Announcement

Special Sono : Children Chnir

Readino: Psalm 96

Offertory

Message

Hymn No.139 : The Solid Rock

Benediction

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## **PRAYER**

- Pray for those who are in governmental authority over us. Pray that they will work in honesty and integrity, so that the people will live in peace and progress.
- Pray for the Music Concert on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2017 organized in aid of the Church building construction, remembering all the Artists, people involve especially the Music Committee and all the arrangements.
- Pray for the ongoing work in the building site, for God's protection upon the workers and wisdom for Megokiekho Yalie and Mhasi as they supervise the work.
- Pray for God's healing grace upon people who are sick and undergoing medical treatment.

Everyone is invited to the tea fellowship after the worship service.

## **PSALM 96**

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary. Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth. Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity. Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it: let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy; they will sing before the LORD, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his truth.



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thursday Women fellowship every Thursday @ 5pm.
- To avail transportation for Sunday service, contact Myingthungo Humtsoe @ 9402936043/8794172936.
- Children's choir practise every Saturday at 4pm.
- Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 5pm -6pm.
- The church office request those who are to submit the gist of sharing/ message to the office may do so through Mr. Toshi by *e-mail* or in person latest by Friday.

## Sunday, May 21st, 2017

Tithes: ₹ 1,24,510 Offering: ₹ 12,450 Mission: ₹ 7.000

Building Fund: ₹ 12,20,000 Nagamese: ₹ 550 Total: ₹ 13,64,510

# Nagamese Fellowship God stands at the door (Rev. 3:20)

#### (1) Where Jesus stands

- He stands at the door. The door is our heart's door
- He wants to enter in our heart and to live and eat with us
- He understands our needs

### (2) How Jesus knocks

- He knocks with His hand
- He calls as He knocks
- He calls in love and with urgency

## (3) What Jesus will do if you open the door

Food stall, Photo Booth | Come and experience myriads of music gent

- Our part is to open the door
- The Lord's part "I will come in", how can Jesus come in?
  - By the Spirit. (1Corith 6:19-20) says your body becomes His temple

**Conclusion:** Do we feel Him knocking? Do we hear His voice? Are we opening the door for Him? - **Robert** 

# There will Lord's Supper Next Sunday