



# Fragrance of Life

garden of the LORD

Spreading the fragrance of Christ

A place of joy and gladness  
Isaiah 51 verse 3

A Monthly Newsletter

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## The Year of the King

Editor's note:  
Our New Look  
Fragrance of Life

Check out our new look bulletin. It is much bigger with lots of exciting news and information.

Happy Reading!

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This year has been prophetically declared as the 'Year of the King' by the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God.

Who is this King, you may wonder? Don't worry, your inquiry is not unreasonable! The psalmist also asked a similar question in Psalm 24 verses 8 and 10 when he rhetorically inquired "Who is this King of Glory?" Verse 10 responds "...the LORD Almighty, He is the King of glory" (TNIV).

The LORD Almighty is no ordinary earthly king. He is the KING OF KINGS and the LORD OF LORDS. He reigns forever as the faithful and true Word of God (Revelation 19 verses 11 to 16) who died for us so that we may not perish but have eternal life, (John 3



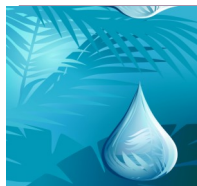
verse 16). No wonder Isaiah 9 verse 7 declares that "of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end." (TNIV) for He reigns supreme over all.

That is why Philippians 2 verse 10 states that "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ

is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (TNIV)

Yet in spite of His glory, might and majesty, this King of glory comes to us in love, humility, meekness, mercy and grace. The psalmist in Psalm 18 verse 35 describes it this way "thy gentleness hath made me great" (KJV). O what amazing love!

Therefore in view of God's mercy and love to us, let us in complete reverence and total surrender to the LORD almighty, the everlasting King of glory; commit our lives to His safekeeping and care. He alone deserves our praise. "Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever, Amen" 1 Timothy 1 verse 17 (TNIV).



## THE DOUBLE PORTION

The Word for the month in our local parish is the double portion based on Isaiah 61 verse 7 which states:

*"Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, and instead of disgrace, you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and*

*everlasting joy will be yours." TNIV*

But before you go on to ask God for a double portion of blessings, financial breakthroughs and what ever you are trusting Him for this year, why not ask for a double portion of eternal value?

Elisha shows us the way in 2 Kings 2 verse 9 when he asked for a double portion of Elijah's spirit (anointing)

to help him to be effective in his calling.

In this new year and decade which ushers in a new season for our lives, we need more of the Holy Spirit in our lives. *For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God* (Romans 8 verse 14, TNIV).

Now is the time to cry out to God for a double portion of His anointing so you can be more effective in your Christian walk of faith.

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### Service times

#### Sundays

9.30—Pray until Something Happens (P.U..S.H)

10. am— Sunday School

10.30—Family service (Junior and Teen Churches also available)

Tabitha—Community work—every second Sunday of the month at 2pm.

#### Wednesdays

6.30 pm—Hour of Prayer Evening (H..O.P.E)

#### Saturdays-

11 am: Boys and Girls Brigade

11 am : Living Waters Prayer Meeting (Except 3rd Saturday of month, our family weekend).

Bible Study Centres and Student Fellowship Centres

hold every week in different locations in Cardiff. E-mail us and sign up for our weekly e-bulletin to get more information on the dates, times and venues for these centres!

## Without a Vision



Proverbs 29 verse 18 tells us that **“where there is no vision, the people perish.”**

In a nutshell, our church vision is **“Preparing for the LORD, a People of Power, Purpose and Passion.”** To

do this, we are committed to winning souls for Christ through our intercessory prayers and the undertaking of strategic evangelical outreaches and programmes. We also aim to build up disciples for the Lord through our weekly services, Bible study groups and other discipleship programmes that address the different aspects of our Christian faith.

Remember, it is not only the church that must pursue after God’s vision, each of us is expected to seek God’s vision and plans for our individual lives. Don’t be afraid to find out God plans for your life. For they are good plans *“...plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future”* (Jeremiah 29 verse 11 TNIV). It is up to you to seek Him in the place of prayer and the study of His Word and He promises in verse 12 to 16 of that same chapter that if you seek Him with all your heart— you will find Him.

## Prophetic Direction for 2010

**“Have faith in the LORD your God and you will be upheld; have faith in His prophets and you will be successful.” 2 Chronicles 20 v 20 (NIV)**

God has given the prophetic ministry to give us direction. I Thessalonians 5 verse 20-21 tells us not to despise prophecies but to test them and hold on to that which is good.

This year, the Lord has given prophetic direction through His servant, Pastor EA Adeboye, the



General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God.

We set out below the prophecies for individuals however the full list of all the prophecies can be obtained from

[www.rccg.org.uk](http://www.rccg.org.uk).

### Individual:

- Stay under cover of the most high to avoid any storm that may come.
- There will be miraculous deliverance for some, particularly from accident.
- There will be some unexpected promotions and open doors.
- He says that the second half of this year will be better than the first, although there will be galloping blessing from the very first day for some.



## Finally... On a Lighter Note

A mother invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?" "I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied. "Just say what you hear Mommy say," her mother replied. The daughter bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"