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**A Church Family where Everybody is Somebody and JESUS is Lord!**

**2018 Theme: My Year of Unstoppable Grace**

**Psalm 84:11 (NKJV) —For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.**

**Theme Hymn: Marvelous Grace**

**CELL GROUP MINISTRY: All AICM members belong to a cell group.**

**Cell group meetings start at 9.30am every Sunday.**

**MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER: Join us each Wednesday for Bible study and prayer at 7:30P.M.**

DATE	BIBLE LESSON	PRAYER LEADER
May 16	Pastor John	James White
May 23	Pastor John	Daniel Carothers
May 30	Pastor John	
June 6	DOMINION PRAYER ASSEMBLY	

**Mother's Day, THIS Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Church Multiplication Sunday: May 20<sup>th</sup> is Church Multiplication Sunday. Everyone please plan to invite 2 people each to church.**

**Friends & Family Sunday: May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Men's and Women's Ministry: Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Prayer Vigil: Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Evangelistic Outreach: Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Rescue Mission Ministry: Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>,  
Minister Tayo Thomas will be the speaker.**

**Youth Ministry: Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7P.M.**

**Board of Administration Meeting: Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**MOTHER'S DAY: THIS Sunday is Mother's day. Let us all come out to honor our mothers.**

**NEW MEMBERS: Please welcome our new members: Elder Maxwell and Gladys Chikere**

**GRADUATION CELEBRATION: The Ojewoles invite everyone to the graduation celebration for Grace Ojewole on Saturday, June 2nd at 2pm at AICM Fellowship Hall. The flyer will be out soon.**

**REVIVAL: We are having a church-wide revival the first week of June. Stay tuned for further announcements.**

**NEWCOMERS CLASS: will be held for new members and people that want to know more about our church soon. Please enroll with Pastor John.**

**DECISION AMERICA, California Tour: Bring your friends and join us as we pray for California and our nation and enjoy a message of hope from Franklin Graham and live music, including Jeremy Camp. FREE ADMISSION. Friday, June 1 @ 7:30pm, Cesar Chavez Park, Berkeley.**

**BEREAVEMENT: Mr. Lee Stewart, the father of Sister Lesa Hampton-Torrey, went home to be with the Lord during the week. He would have been 88 years old this today. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Funeral service will take place on Wednesday May 9 at 11am at Pittsburg Funeral Chapel on Railroad Ave, Pittsburg.**

**BEREAVEMENT: Minister Daniel Carothers lost his father recently. Please continue to lift him and his family up in prayer.**

**PSWD ANNUAL CONFERENCE: We are looking for another delegate to attend the conference. The dates are July 10-11, 2018. If interested, please see Pastor John. Travel and accommodations are provided by the church.**

**SAVE THE DATE: Women's Retreat, September 28-30, 2018. You can begin making payments toward the cost by indicating "Retreat" on your envelope. Final payment must be received by September 16, 2018.**

**ADDITIONAL PARKING: The laundromat is no longer here. As such, members can park anywhere around the laundromat side. Please know that no car should be parked there unattended during the week.**

**NEW SERMON SERIES:** Pastor John continues the series on Inspirational Psalms next Sunday. Please pray along and invite friend to the sermon series.

**SANCTUARY ETIQUETTE:** Please put your phone on silent or in vibration mode the moment you enter the church premises. Let us respect God and be mindful of other worshippers. God deserves our full attention and our honor.

**EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH:** Saturday, May 26th at 11am. Minister Gibson Unaji will be coordinating the effort.

**YOUTH EVENT:** Friday, June 8th @ 7p.m. We thank all parents and youth workers who support the youth event.

**PIPING REPAIRS:** have been completed. Thank you for your contributions and support.

**MUSIC CD:** Pastor John's sister, Toyin Ojewole-Olu Adigun produced a music CD some years ago. It is available for \$5 with the ushers.

**PUBLISHED AUTHOR:** Mrs. Debo Fashokun recently published a book titled Songs of Redemption. It's available on Amazon for \$10.50 or through the author.

**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:** Friday, May 18th @ 7:00 P.M. We are asking for your input on Christian movies you would like to see during our monthly movie night. Please submit your titles of movies to the church office.

**HOLY LAND EXPERIENCE ITINERARY:** The dates are October 22-31, 2018. We need a final headcount by the end of May. Please let Pastor John or Gale know by May 27th. At that time we will begin meeting, praying and paying towards the trip.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** Pastor John needs 3 volunteers. Any of our youth will be appropriate for this. Two people will provide additional support at the media center while the third person will help with streaming online. **2 people have responded, we only need one more person.**

**BOOK EDITORS:** Pastor John has some manuscripts for publication and he needs editors and proofreaders. If you think you may be able to do this, please let him know.

**MID WEEK BIBLE STUDY:** Wednesdays 7:30 - 9 P.M. Pastor John is teaching on the book of Acts of Apostles every Wednesday night. Please

**plan to be there. If you would like to participate in leading prayer, let Pastor John know.**

**Rescue Mission Ministry: Next one will be Monday, May 28th at 7P.M. Minister Mathew Jorgbo will be the speaker. The address is 183 MacDonald Avenue, Richmond, CA 94801. Please pray for the work of the Mission, the people there and our ministry to them. We need more volunteers. If you would like to be involved in this important work, please see Pastor John. Please also pray for the following individuals that requested prayer during our last visit.**

PT	Jo E. Lovell	Michelle Anderson
Judy Williams & family	Desiree M. Campos & family	Victoria Pope & family
Ayoka Givens	R 7	Brett & family
Chester M. Hobbs & wife	Mamuel Solorio & family	Rosa Jiminez
Randy Bernstine & family	Corey Hacks & family	Betty Winn
Tainla Shephrd & family	Kendrick T. Herring & fail	Renee Parke & family

**FOOD PANTRY: We need more volunteers to serve in the Food Pantry. We need volunteers for the 8:00 – 10:00 A.M. and 2:00 – 4:00 P.M. times. If interested see Pastor John or Sister Lilian Ademola.**

**We are now accepting donations of non-perishable food items. You may bring your donations and leave them in the Food Pantry Barrel in the vestibule. Thank you.**

**ADDITIONAL FOOD PANTRY - beginning soon we will have an additional food pantry for SENIORS ONLY on two Thursday per month. If you would like to volunteer, please see Sis Lilian for details.**

**AFRICA 2019: If interested please let Pastor John know by July 29, 2018. We will be going to Sierra Leone, Liberia, Nigeria and Congo.**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**IMPORTANT: When you come to know Jesus Christ, You Believe, You Become and You Belong. All AICM members are encouraged to belong to the fellowship. That can be done by being in regular attendance at church services and by belonging to a church small group.**

**SUBSCRIPTION TO CHURCH EMAIL GROUP by sending email to [agapecomch-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:agapecomch-subscribe@yahoo.com)**

**NEWCOMERS CLASS: This is a class meant for introducing the church and what she stands for to new members. Anyone who wants to be a**

**covenant member is required to take the class. There is an ongoing class Sunday mornings 9:30-10:25AM in the Pastor's office. Classes can also be scheduled on a Saturday from 10-2PM. A complimentary lunch at a local restaurant is included in the Saturday session.**

**BAPTISM:** If you have believed in Jesus Christ for salvation and would like to be baptized, please meet with Pastor John soon.

**CHURCH GROWTH INITIATIVE:** We need the participation of all members in growing this church. This can be done by all the faithful members attending church services regularly, inviting our immediate families to church, each member planning on inviting 2 people to church each Sunday, passing out the church postcards to our friends and family and all of us praying regularly for growth.

**VOLUNTEER SECURITY PERSONNEL:** We want to continue to keep our church safe. Please if you have background in military, law enforcement or security guard please let Pastor John know soon.

**AGAPE INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES FOUNDATION** needs a volunteer to serve on its board. Anyone who is not serving in another ministry position at AICM is welcome. If interested, see Pastor John.

**WESLEY SEMINARY:** Ministers and other people that wanted to become more educated in ministry should consider enrolling with Wesley Seminary MA program that starts in Oakland in the Spring. You can study at your pace and you don't need to quit your job. Those intending to explore ordination can enroll also. If interested, let pastor John know of your intent soon.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** If you would like to make any announcements or personally share any information during church services, please talk to Pastor John and get clearance ahead of time so that you can be included on the program. Preferably, the information should reach Pastor John by Wednesday before that Sunday.

**GENERAL CHURCH CLEANING:** We need volunteers to come and help clean our church on Saturdays. This is our place of worship and we want it to reflect an inviting and loving appearance to our family and our guests.

**WEDDINGS:** Pastor John requires premarital counseling prior to any wedding that he will perform. If you would like to be married at AICM please schedule your counseling appointments with Pastor John at least

**three months ahead of time and do not select a date until you talk to him. He can be reached at 925-848-6240.**

**CHURCH FACILITY AND OTHER RENTALS:** Please see Brother George Mills to schedule and make arrangements for any rentals. Payment for rental of the facility should be made at least 2 weeks before the date.

**SANCTUARY ETIQUETTE:** While in the service, nothing should be more important than our worship of our God.

- ♥ Please turn off all electronic equipment (cell phones, pagers, games, etc. during the worship).
- ♥ No food or drink is allowed in the Sanctuary. Please dispose of all candy, gum, water bottles and food prior to entering the Sanctuary.
- ♥ Please do not walk or move about during Prayer, Scripture Reading, the Sermon, or the Offering
- ♥ Please do not leave trash or disposable items behind. Clean up after yourself. Everyone should endeavor to keep our sanctuary clean at all times.
- ♥ Unwanted or unused bulletins and offering envelopes may be left for recycling in the back of the Sanctuary.

**SERMON CD's:** CDs of each sermon is available immediately after service for a donation of \$2.50. First time guests will receive a free complimentary copy.

**GOOD NEIGHBOR:** Let us be mindful of our behavior toward the laundromat next door. They are our tenants. We should leave at least 3 parking spaces every Sunday to allow their customers to have a place to park. Let us be neighborly and God will bless us all. Also, we must vacate the building no later than 1:45pm every Sunday to allow the Hispanic church to have their service.

**HELP NEEDED:** we are still looking for more members to join the Praise Team. We need musicians and singers. If interested, see Brother Daniel Carothers.

**MINISTRY THROUGH PERISCOPE:** Our church has a live ministry broadcast through Periscope. You can follow on TWITTER and PERISCOPE @agapebfm.

**RIDE TO CHURCH:** If anyone in the immediate area needs a ride to church, please call the church (925-709-4424) before 6pm Saturday. We are also looking for volunteer drivers. If interested, please let Pastor John know.

**HOW TO REACH PASTOR JOHN:** you can reach Pastor John through the Pastor's office anytime all day on Fridays, Saturdays, and afternoons on Sundays. He may also be in his office every week day nights Monday-Thursday. You can reach him for pastoral counseling, marital counseling or consultation. Additionally, you can reach him anytime by phone or text at 925-848-6240 or by email at [agapebfm@gmail.com](mailto:agapebfm@gmail.com)

**OUTREACH:** Everyone should invite at least 2 people to church next Sunday. We implore all members to be in the habit of inviting people to the church services.

**GIVING -** For your convenience, there are several ways to your contribution:

**CHECKS** made payable to:    **“Agape International Church & Ministry”**  
  **or**                                   **“Agape International Church”**  
  **or**                                   **“AICM”**

**ONLINE** at:                    **<https://giving.ncsservices.org/dl/?uid=ncs-2516>**

**CREDIT / DEBIT CARD:**        **You may make your transaction with the Counting Committee following service in the Church Office.**