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Fellowship services in Lufkin, Texas

PRAISE YE THE LORD.
Praise God In His sanctuary... "Psalm

150:1 That is what the people of God came to do on the weekend of February 26th and 27th in Lufkin, TX. The saints in this city and Dallas, Texas joined in unity together to promote and bear witness to the truth of God. We lifted up our voices with one accord in praises. We glorified the Lord with our testimonies.

The program Saturday night started out with the Lufkin Little Flock marching in. They sang songs and also played a beautiful instrumental selection on harmonicas. Afterwards the adults came forth with group

songs and solos. It is a wonderful thing when the saints of God can come together in



Lufkin and Dallas singers rendering a song during the program Saturday, Feb. 26th 2011.

support of the whole truth. As Jesus stated in the scripture in John 12:32, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." We know that all of the glory belongs to God and so in knowing we praise His name. As always we give the utmost honor to the man of God, Bishop V. Bush, who continues to preach the true word of God in these last and evil days. The word came forth and everyone present was given the message

from heaven. We thank the Lord for the visitors, family and friends that came out to be in the services. We pray that their hearts will be touched and that all will come on board with us and share in this great plan of salvation. Our hearts were encouraged being together during these services. As the scripture states in Numbers 10:29 " ..Come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel. " We are praying that the Lord will continue to reign down His blessings upon the saints in the city of Lufkin and that the saints will continue to be encouraged in this apostolic way.

Winnsboro, SC Trip

On Sunday, March 27, 2011, Bishop Bush and the saints of Dallas and Lufkin Texas journeyed to Winnsboro, SC to be with Elder Lewis and the saints there. After Bishop Bush received written communication from Elder Lewis requesting his presence, all of the saints came together on one accord in support of the truth and traveled to Winnsboro, SC to meet him. We thank the Lord for Elder Lewis for welcoming all of us and for Bishop Bush to bring the word of truth. We are praying that this meeting was the first of many to come.

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Words from the Pastor

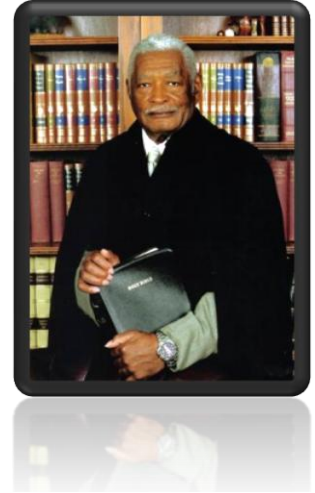
The Spirit Speaks Calmness to the Church

By Bishop V. Bush

Greetings everyone. We greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. What we teach is one hundred percent in harmony with that that is already be declared by the apostles and prophets. Of course you will not get away from it. You may not come and obey it but it is on your agenda. When God created you and allowed you to grow up to accountability He is holding you responsible for that gospel that He brought down to us from heaven. He declared it and preached it and the apostles declared it unto us and no one will get away from it. The bible says in Mark 1:15 *"And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."* That is what everybody must do and hear what the spirit is saying in the church. The spirit is always speaking to everyone telling them what they must do. No matter what is going on with you or what you believe or how much trouble

you have, the spirit is speaking calmness and telling you what to do. I often remember Jesus and his disciples when they were out on the sea and the wind and sea was raging. The ship was filling up with water and they woke Jesus saying *"..Master, carest thou not that we perish?"* And Jesus got up and said, *"Peace be still."* And there was a calmness and they wondered *"..what manner of man is this."* Mark 4:37-41. Jesus Christ is God Almighty and no matter how bad the rage is He can speak peace. So I do not care what is going on in this world, if you hear what the spirit says to the church there will be peace in your life. There will be calmness. No one can get away from that because that is where God set it. They killed Jesus in the flesh, took him off the cross, buried him and sealed him in the sepulcher. But because he was God's man he went in and brought him out. And he came on back and met with the brethren and said in

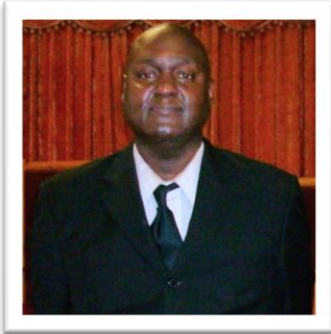
Luke 24:44 *"These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me."* Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, *"So that is for us today. The things that are written to us in the scripture, somebody in the church hears that and is speaking that. Luke came along and he heard the apostles and it was nothing ignorant or foolish to him. He said in Luke 1:1 "Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,"* This was written in the scripture so that when the next generation comes along they would know what the attitude toward the church should be. Now no matter what is going on or how you feel about the church here is what your attitude ought to be. The bible says in Romans 15:4 *"For whatsoever things were written aforetime*



were written for our learning," So I have learned my lesson on this and I want to come out and try to get everybody else to pay attention to this. We have millions of things going on out there in the world that can distract you. There are men that have left out of the church and have gone out saying things that may sound good to you. But remember what Luke said in 1:1-4. This is why that we have all of these scriptures written. As the scriptures says in 2 Timothy 2:7, *"Consider what I say and the Lord will give you understanding in all things."* May God bless you and may God help you.

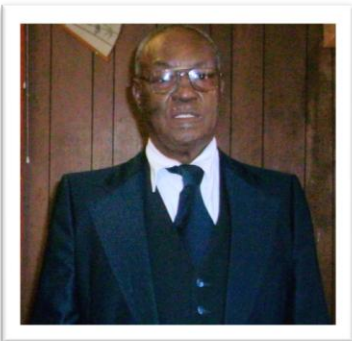
**The early Church was our example. The question that is being asked of the saints is:
"What Does The Church Mean To You Today?"**

The next few pages contain the thoughts of the saints and their responses to this question.



The Church means everything to me. It is where I go to learn how God wants me to live and what He wants me to do. That is why I am alive on this earth.

Minister J. Nelson - Olive Branch, MS



The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ is the only church that I know is right. But I had to learn that it means everything to me. When I heard the man of God open the scriptures I knew it was right. So I will be in this way for ever. Amen Thank God for Bishop Bush.

Deacon Nelson - Olive Branch, MS



Praise the lord saints. I'm glad to be in The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith.

For to me it's a great blessing. When you read about the Church back in the early days of the apostles, who were our example for the Church of today, the scriptures says in 1 Peter 2:21 *"For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:"* And he gave it over to the apostles to teach all nations. The scripture in Matthew 28:19-20. *Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."* When I read this scripture it lets me know that the spirit is speaking in the church today. It is teaching me that I don't have anything to say but line up with the word. It is teaching me to not have my own thoughts, ideas, opinions or my ways but to let God be in control over your whole body, mind and soul. For the scripture says in Isaiah 55:8. *"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord."* Reading this scripture lets me know that I don't have a voice but the voice of God. When I speak let it be God's words. No one should say anything or utter anything except it be of God. May God help you. May God Bless you. Amen. Peace be to all

Brother Turner - Dallas, TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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Praise the Lord Saints of the most high God! My name is Brother Maxie. I give double honor to the man of God Bishop V. Bush. The question that was asked is "What does the church mean to me in my generation?" The church is my life and I must say that I have become a fool for Christ's sake. As the scripture says in Hebrews 12:23 I have made it " *To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made*

perfect .." The scripture states in Romans 14:17 " *For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.*" Jesus said in John 3:5 " *Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.*" Jesus said " *What I say unto one I say unto all.*" So this is for my generation and the generations to come. In Acts 2:39 it says " *For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.*" Also in Ephesians 4:5 " *One Lord, one faith, one baptism*"

I have learned how to follow God as a dear child doing all things without murmurings and disputings that I may be blameless before the Lord. We **must** as it states in 2 Timothy 3:14 " *Continue in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them.*" Saints I am very sure. I am in hope of eternal life as it says in Titus 1:2 it " *In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;*" I know that God cannot lie and He promised us according to 1 Peter 1 :3-4 " *To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,*" I learned that we must arm ourselves just like Christ and to suffer in the flesh just like He did for us. I know He went through the same things and was tempted just like us but without sin. We can go to God boldly knowing God will help us in the time of need. Hebrews 4:15-16 In 2 Timothy 2:19 it says " *Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.*" And also in 2 Timothy 2:5 " *And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.*"

Peace be unto you

Bro. Maxie - Lufkin, TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith is my light and my guide. The church is my light and my salvation. Without the church and the

word of God, I do not know where I would be. The church has kept me on this holy highway all of these years. Without the church and its teaching of God's word I would be on my way to a christless grave. Jesus said he would never leave me or forsake me. The church means all the world to me. Without the church and the word of God I could do nothing. That is why the church means everything to me.

Mother Gertie Anderson - Dallas, TX



What does the church mean to me? I can truly say that since I have been in the church my life has been wonderful. I have been taught many things

through the church. I learned how to live and how to stay in my place as a woman. If it had not been for the church I would not know about being baptized in Jesus' name or tarrying for the Holy Ghost. The church has taught me how to dress and what colors to wear. Through the church I learned how to live holy. Thank God for The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of Apostolic faith. Keep me in your prayers.

Sister Flora Nelson - Olive Branch, MS



The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ means that I want to get my soul saved. There is only one plan of salvation.

Sis. Maxie - Lufkin, TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith is the best thing that has ever happened to me. The church is God's kingdom, it is

above all, it believes all that is right and it teaches all. It has all of the power over the devil and holds the keys to heaven and earth. I am now sold and blessed to be in the church of righteousness with the one and only plan of salvation. It leads, guides, restores and prepares my soul for the spirit and for an everlasting life of victory. I give all the glory unto God who is my Lord and savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sister Cathy Hunt - Lufkin, TX



Praise the Lord Saints!

I am very blessed to be in The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith where the real truth is preached. (So blessed.) Being in The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ is my life and it is where

I get love, joy, peace and happiness. I can grow in grace. I can get stronger and get everything that I need. There is no other place that I rather be. It means the world to me. I am not doubting about this way. I know I am on the right road now. I get joy every time I come in the house of the Lord. I love this way. I know it is strict and nobody ever said that it was going to be easy. You have to grow. This way is the best way. I want to go back when Jesus come. I do not want my soul to be lost. I love all of the true saints of God but most of all (God) the one and only creator. I thank God everyday for His blessings.

Sis. Angela Robertson- Lufkin, TX



What the church means to me.

When I came to church and repented I gave up everything that was not like God. Sometimes it was not easy, but I hold on anyway. I went through some tough times, but I am holding on anyhow. I never had a mind to go into the world because it is nothing out there.

Bro. Kevin Bush - Dallas, TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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Greetings everyone. I am Sister Effie Anderson and I would like to say, Praise ye the Lord. My heart rejoices and I am truly grateful for being in the whole truth. First I would like to give all the glory and honor to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who is the

head of my life. I give double honor to Bishop V. Bush. It is a blessing to have a man of God that is being an example, following the footsteps of the apostles and letting the Lord use him in preaching the gospel and spreading the word by the power of the spirit of Christ. You can't find this anywhere.

The church means so much to me. It is peace of mind, it is joy, and so much love. As the early church has, we have accepted the word and have grown in spiritual strength. We appreciate the ministry as we mature in faith, obedience and love. We can observe similar patterns recurring in the history of the early church. From the book of Genesis to the book of Revelation, it has inspired us to walk on in the light and to go through our trials. It also teaches us the purpose why we were created. Like the Bishop stated "God created us to be holy and not to live like we want to live." Pray for me as I travel this narrow way.

Peace Be

Sister Effie Anderson - Dallas, TX



What Does the Church Mean to Me?

It means the world to me. I was young when I sought the Lord and got filled with

the Holy Ghost at the age of 16. The Lord has done so much for me. He spared my life, healed my body and He is always there when I need Him no matter what I go through. I have so much to thank the Lord for. He is my life. The church is my life. I know I am in the truth and I know that I am in the right church, The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith. I am not doubting about this way. I love this way and the church is where I belong.

Sister Eva Robertson - Lufkin, TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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The early Church was our example. What does that mean to us today?

I believe we must hold to the same standard, being an example for those that follow

in our path. It's our responsibility to shine that same light, so that others might be drawn to the truth and hold fast to the teachings of the apostles. We are the light of the world in this day and time. If we do not let our light shine by the way we talk, walk, live and give, then the world will never know we are God's witnesses in the land today. His spirit will lead and guide us every day if we walk and abide faithful according to His word. God has given us the victory through all of the obstacles and snares we will face on this journey and so we must endure until the end.

Press on saints! Press on!

Sister Norma J. Carter - Dallas, TX



Praise the Lord Saints.

Greetings everyone in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith

means so much to me. It is my hope in my life and my strength. I am in a wonderful, holy spiritual salvation where the truth is being preached in its fullness by Bishop V. Bush. The words of God keep me holding on and pressing on. It keeps my light shining so that the world can see how this wonderful great plan of salvation is working in me and how it is leading and guiding me through these last and evil days. Whatever I go through or whatever comes my way I will know how to stay strong and overcome it. That is why I am going to continue to take heed to the word of God and keep it planted in my heart. The house of the Lord is my deliverance and my family that I love so much in Jesus' name.

Sister Sholanda E. Murphy - Lufkin, TX



Praise the Lord Saints.

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ means a lot to me. I came to hear the truth being preached from the man of God and to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ and to be filled with God's spirit. So now I can say "Thank you Lord" for coming into my life and filling me with the Holy Ghost and for being so wonderful to me. I can say that I am blessed in all things. I am going to prepare myself to do what I know is right to do. God is my everything. Without my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ you can't do anything.

Sister Conta Robertson - Longview, TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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I give honor to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, unto Bishop Bush, the man of God who is teaching the whole truth.

I am Sister Dellene Jackson. I came to the church at an early age under the leadership

of Bishop Bush. The church means so much to me in many ways and has spiritually helped me in many ways. It has been a pattern for me to follow. It has taught me how to put to death the sinful deeds of my flesh and bring to life the spiritual virtues of faith. It has fixed my eyes on the example of Christ. It has showed me how our unity in Christ must be more important to us than our earthly relationships. It has showed me how to stand firm in the faith while undergoing my trials and to show my faith in what I do. Most of all, it has taught me to be prepared for Christ's return at any time.

Pray for me.

Sister Dellene Jackson - Dallas, TX



Praise the Lord and holy greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I want to take the time out to let the world know what the church means to me. The

church is my salvation . When I say the church is my salvation it is a place where I can go to and get prayer and it is a place that can deliver me and strengthen me from problems that are going on in my life. This is a place where I can pray for my family, brothers and sisters in the Lord and outside of the Lord that we all can come together as one mind and love one another. This place gives me love, peace, joy, happiness, faith and power. This is where I want to be in the end. Until my time is up I am going to continue on praising His name. I am in my resting place in The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ where Bishop V. Bush preaches the truth and nothing but the truth in its fullness.

Sister Yolanda Porter - Lufkin TX

What Does The Church Mean To You?

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Praise the Lord to all of the saints and greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith is everything to me. It is the core of my life. Everything else in my life revolves around it. It

is my refuge, my unending encouragement and support. I thank the Lord for giving us a faithful messenger in the church, the man of God, Bishop V. Bush, who has thoroughly taught us and continues to teach the wholesome word of the Lord. The word of God is the guidebook and blueprint by which I walk every day. I love the church dearly and I am just simply very grateful and count it a great privilege to be part of the church. My heart desires to continue with the church, to never go astray and to win eternal life for there is nothing else better.

Peace be unto you

Sister Katryce Bush - Dallas, TX



Greetings brothers and sisters and Pastor Bishop V. Bush. The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith means to me joy, happiness,

kindness and peace. It is a place where I can worship the Lord and express my gratitude and appreciation of the gospel of the words that Bishop V. Bush preaches. I started coming to this church in October 2010 to hear the words of the Lord. The true words of the Lord. Continue to pray for me that I grow stronger in the Lord and that I repent of all of my sins and get my water baptism in Jesus' name and tarry for the precious gift of the Holy Ghost.

Miss Lynn - Lufkin, TX



Praise the Lord my brothers and sisters. This is what I think about The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith. This is where I come to get my blessing, my peace, my faith and my joy and happiness. It is also where I come to listen to Bishop V. Bush preach the true word of the Lord. This is what makes me stay strong in the Lord and keep me going on day by day.

Sister Suprina Eldridge - Lufkin - TX

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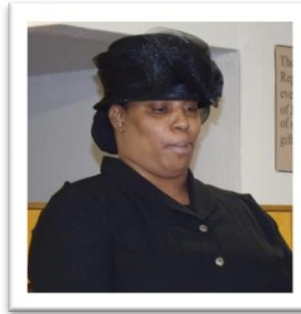


Praise the Lord saints.

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ means everything to me. It is my father, mother, brother, sister, husband. It is my life. I get love, joy, peace, faith, strength from it.

That is why I can stand here today before you whole, because it is my life.

Sis Barbara Hurts - Lufkin, TX



What the Church Means To Me.

What the church means to me is to live by the true religion of God. It means to know the way of holiness and the mystery of God by the Holy Ghost. It means to receive everything of the Holy Ghost knowing that by me living by the true righteous religion of God is to obey everything that is the strict and straight way of God. I thank God for all of those that are living the way of righteousness. I thank the Lord for the Holy Ghost that was given to me and I thank God for the religious life that is in me.

Sister Shanta Robertson - Lufkin, TX



Praise the Lord my brothers and sisters. When I come into the house of The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, I come to hear the words of God and to grow in grace. I come to get my peace and joy and happiness. When I am up and down, this is what I think about: The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith. I love you all.

Sister Brenda Eldridge - Lufkin, TX

Don't Let Nobody Turn You Around

By Sister Gertie Anderson

When the way gets rough and tough
When it seems like nothing is going right
Lift your head high
and don't let nobody turn you around.

When trials and tribulation comes and
Satan is fighting on every hand,
Tell him to get lost
And don't let nobody turn you around.

When your friends try to stop you
And turn you away from God,
Keep your feet planted on solid ground,
And don't let nobody turn you around.

Jesus is the way, the truth and the light.
He said He will never leave you
Nor forsake you
So no matter what
Don't let nobody turn you around.

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Announcements

Upcoming Events

Annual Apostolic Sisters' Day

Sunday May 8, 2011

- 3015 South Malcolm X Boulevard
- Dallas, TX 75215
- Program begins at 12:00 noon
(All sisters are requested to wear all white.)

Annual Apostolic Youth Fellowship Meeting

Week of June 20 - 26, 2011

- 12300 Miller Road
- Olive Branch, MS 38654
- Services start nightly at 7:30PM and Sunday morning at 11:00AM

- If you would like CDs of the services, let us know. CDs are \$5.00 each. If you would like VHS or DVDs of our main events, the VHS tapes and DVDs are \$10.00 each.
- Check out the weekly broadcast online every Saturday at 1:30PM CT and 4:30PM CT. See the website home page for more information.
- Join us each Sunday at 10:00AM for Bible Study. We are currently studying from the book of Ecclesiastes.

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