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LIVING HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH



#### Happy Anniversary to our Church Family!

Five years of shared faith, steady growth, and lives quietly transformed under God's hand. In this place, hearts have been mended, spirits have been strengthened, and purpose has taken root. What began as a gathering has become a home—woven together by prayer, grace, and the quiet courage of people seeking truth.

As we step into the years ahead, may God continue to shape us with wisdom, deepen our unity, and call us toward greater service. May this church remain a lantern in the dark, a refuge for the weary, and a place where His presence is felt in every word, every song, every act of love.

Grateful to walk this journey with all of you, and blessed to witness what God is building here.

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### **November Conferences**

Multicultural Cohort - Nov 7th-9th
Moving Forward in Faith - Nov 14th-16th







God has blessed our worship team for them to undertake such a powerful task as travelling to another place and providing their skills to honour Jesus Christ. We are all blessed as a church to have such talented people that are hungry for God. God bless our worship team and may they keep honouring God and may they prosper and bring His glory out onto the world. The worship team was also blessed to participate in many different activities and workshops which included deep conversations to making cultural dessert. From the worship team, Abigail lead her own workshop which included singing together in a way that penetrated the veil of believing we are separated by our different cultures and languages. She taught each participant that they can in fact worship in their own language, and simultaniously understanding other's language of worship because it is not about separating due to our differences, it's uniting in our similarities – that is our desire to worship our Lord Jesus Christ.



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### Timothy Leadership Training (TLT)

Congratulations to the young ladies from Living Hope who have finished their TLT second manual! It is a blessing to have individuals in our church that are so advanced and powerful in their faith to the point they are willing to undergo a training program which is what TLT is (Timothy Leadership Training). This is a powerful program because it not only teaches how to be a leader in church but how to grow and share your faith. If anyone is interested in participating in this program please reach out to Pastor Mark or one of the elders or deacons. We pray and wish upon all participants of the Timothy Leadership Training many more blessings so that they may endure and grow in their faith. This is important because not only is it wonderful for them they will become a blessing onto others and they will glorify God.







Matthew 5:16: "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven".





# Pastor Mark's New Sermon Series: Family



I myself am incredibly passionate about this topic. I am so happy that God has placed upon Pastor Mark's heart to speak about this topic. The devil tries its best to separate our families in many, many ways. The church must be awakened to this new reality that we are living with and Pastor Mark is doing his part in preaching about this topic. As the month of November is coming to an end, we have been blessed with the 4th week of the sermon series.

It's important to stress how important this topic about family is. If you ask the majority of people "what is a family?" you'll get 100 different answers. Unfortunately we also live in a world where we can't confidently even claim what a woman is or what a man is. This is terrible. How can we label what a family is if we don't even know what a man or woman is? The devil has rotten our society to the core to the point we can't even decide and look with our own very eyes to see a woman and then say that's a man. It's a circus out here.

The reason why this is so terrible is because as God is the foundation of one's life, the family is the pillars of one's life. If your pillars are broken you are bound to abandon your foundation in search of a new home.





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The rot even enters the church. To think it stops in the secular world is fallacy. We must put a stop to the enemy at the gates. First we must acknowledge there even is a gate. That gate is our beliefs. If they can bypass our beliefs so easily they will eventually go for our children next. We cannot call ourselves parents if we let the devil educate them instead of educating them ourselves on what is right and what is wrong. A man that stands for nothing will fall for anything.

The devil tries its many tricks, such as separating the man and the woman. In today's day and age the idea of marriage is looked at as a chore. Something you might as well do eventually and once you're in it? It's a drag. It's a chore and it's something that you have to almost dread doing. Behind the mask of the marriage jokes it is rotten in and to the core.

We must all engage with our youth to understand why this is happening. It's important to humble ourselves, put aside the arrogance and connect. Old connecting with the young, men connecting with women. We cannot allow for divide and conquer, we must go see the truth and to see the truth? We must be willing to understand it.

