

## TRUE HOLINESS DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE 50-DAY CONSECRATION GUIDELINES – 2022

The **50-DAY CONSECRATION** was created by the Late Apostle Johnnie L. Washington, Founder of Tabernacle of Prayer – Jamaica, NY. We are revising the guidelines to serve True Holiness Deliverance Tabernacle (THDT) – Sanford.

**CONSECRATION:** An act by a person or thing dedicated to the service and worship of God. Full consecration is the setting apart of oneself to God for the personal pleasure of God. (Eph.2:10)

On Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, THDT will begin the 50-Day Consecration by fasting from midnight to 5:00pm daily and by praying for one hour (7:00 to 8:00pm) every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. At the end of the prayer hour, we will read Joel 2:15-18 (the Consecration scripture); followed by praying for any special prayer requests and giving thanks for all praise reports. Prayer and fasting are the strength of the Consecration.

WHY 50 DAYS: The 50<sup>th</sup> day from Easter represents 40 days that Jesus walked on earth after His resurrection plus 10 days from the time of His ascension into glory before the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on earth. (Acts 2:4) At the end of the 50 days we celebrate "Pentecost" which is derived from the Greek word "pentikostos iméra" and means "fiftieth day." Pentecost is one of the three main feasts of Israel (Exodus 23:14-17; Deut. 16:16-17). Originally the feast of Pentecost was the time when the first fruits were formally dedicated. The events of Acts Chapter 2 transformed the Jewish festival into a Christian one. Pentecost is known as "White Sunday" deriving its name from the white garments of those seeking baptism at this festival. On our 50<sup>th</sup> day of the Consecration (June 5, 2022) we will celebrate "Pentecost" at Sanford True Holiness Deliverance Tabernacle.

Acts 2:1-4 "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

**DRESS CODE:** Men: wear dark pants, white shirts (no ties) during services. For Women: wear all white with white head coverings during the services. (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 11:4-11; Ecc. 9:8)

FASTING: The abstinence from food for a period of time. The custom of fasting has always played a part in the practices of every major religious group at some time. It has often been a way in which persons have sought pardon for their misdeeds. It is believed that fasting will take one's mind away from physical things and produce a state of spiritual joy and happiness. It has also been known to cleanse the body. (Joel 2:15, 16; Matt. 4:2; Jer. 36:6) Each member will select at least one day (between Monday – Saturday) to fast from Midnight to 5:00pm the next day creating a church chain fast. On Sundays, all members are to fast until after the service. (If you are on medication, eat what you need to take your medicine, then rejoin the consecration.)

**PRAYER:** An offering up of our desires to God for things lawful and needful and with humble confidence to obtain them only through the mediation of Christ, to the praise of the mercy, truth, and power of God. Prayer is our conversation with the Lord. (Luke 18:1; Matt. 6:6; John 16:23, 24; Luke 6:12) **All members select a 5-minute block during the Monday, Wednesday, or Friday prayer hour (7:00-8:00pm) to pray aloud through Zoom.** 

## SCRIPTURES THAT WILL SUPPORT FASTING

Joel 1:14; Joel 2:15,16 Jesus Fasted: Matt 4:2 The Early Church Fasted: Acts 14:23; Acts 27:33; Acts 13:2-3 Anna Served God with Fasting: Luke 2:36-37

## **ALONG WITH FASTING, WE MUST PRAY.**