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SIXTH YEAR ANNIVERSARY MAGAZINE

EDITOR'S NOTE

...and just like that, six years is come and gone.

We are eternally grateful to Jehovah our helper who has carried us this far as a ministry, a family and a commission. In these difficult times, God has brought us into a covenant of Divinely Flourishing and we can say for a fact that these past years have only reflected one thing... God is not a man that He should lie!

Over the course of the last year, we have experienced unimaginable possibilities with God. We have celebrated and we have had no reason to mourn. We have tried to count our blessings one by one and we cannot begin to quantify what the Lord has done. This magazine embodies the testament of God's faithfulness over the past year to Dare to Dream Christian Centre. This magazine also carries in it powerful messages from our Lead pastors and Heads of Ministries.

It is beautifully put together to intimate you with the reality of The Flourishing Grace. Read its pages, digest the messages, relive the moments and activate THE FLOURISHING GRACE in you life.

Deborah Hirekaan
Editor



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Sundays (Celebration Service): 9.00am

Tuesdays

School of prayers and Intercession
– 4.30 – 5.30pm
Teaching Service – 5.30pm.

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Marathon Prayers-12.00 – 6.00pm

First Day of the Month:

Breakthrough Communion Service – 5.00pm.

WELCOME ADDRESS

Glory be to God! Dare to Dream Christian Centre is 6years old! We give all the honour and praise to God for this milestone in the history of this Commission. Indeed our God has been faithful. 1The5v24.

I also want to use this medium to thank my lovely wife, ministers, leaders, workers and entire congregation of Dare to Dream Christian Centre (both locally and in the diaspora) for their support and commitment to the mandate of this Commission. May Jehovah reward your labour of love.

I am particularly excited about this Convention because I believe that it will give you another opportunity of experiencing the flourishing grace on another dimension. Of a truth, we are divinely flourishing but God is not done with us yet.

Get ready to experience flourishing like never before. My prayer for everyone is that this convention will linger on in your memory and experiences in the land of the living, because of God's visitation that is coming on you. So be expectant and eager to receive from the Anointed Agents of the Most High that God is sending our way.

May Jehovah meet you at the point of your needs and also exceed all your Expectations. Rejoice for its your Flourishing Season!



Pst. Yemi Adeoti

DIVINELY FLOURISHING ONE STEP AT A TIME



Congratulations to the family and friends of Dare to Dream Christian Centre, both home and abroad.

The first day of this year 2023 ushered us into a season of Divinely Flourishing as declared by our father in the Lord, Pastor Yemi Adeoti. Since "faith cometh by hearing" a confession was succinctly crafted by Pastor Yemi Adeoti and this we recite in every of our services.

Considering the series of challenges Nigeria and the world is facing one would doubt if the year has got any good to offer, from fuel issues, to election issues, cashless issues and others to mention a few but God's word in Isaiah 46:10 is being fulfilled in our lives. NLT *"Only I can tell you the future before it ever happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish"*.

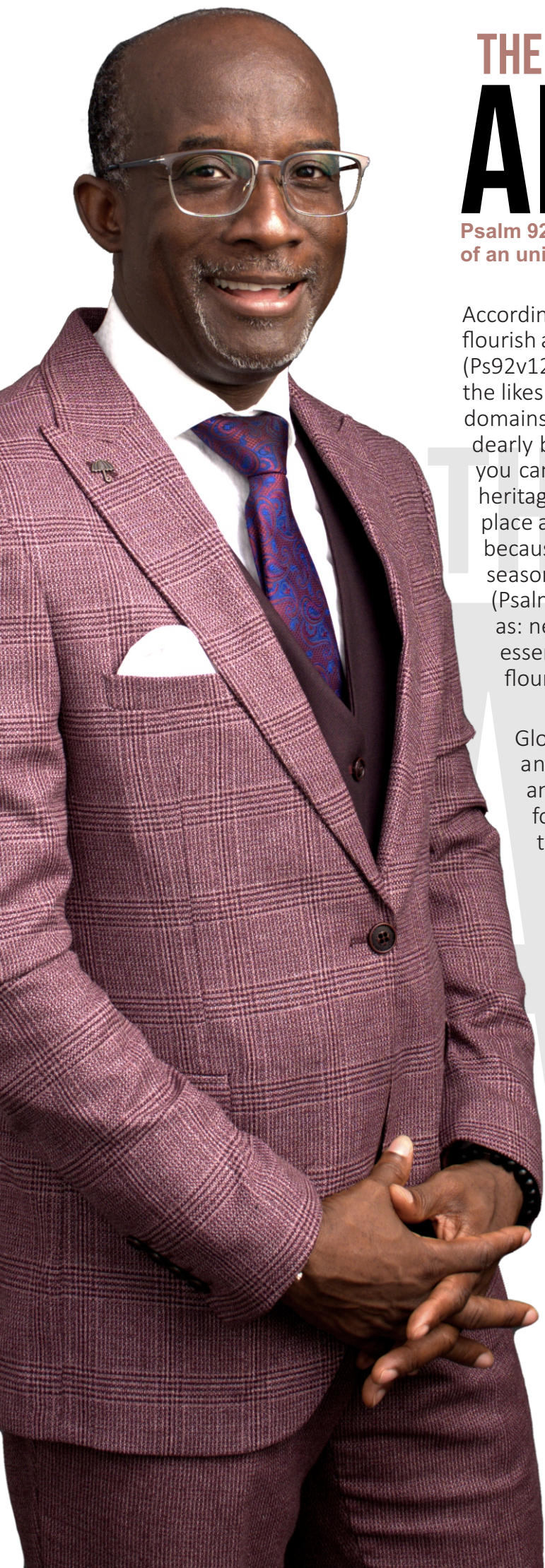
I stand to testify that our word for 2023 (Year of Divinely Flourishing) is being fulfilled in the lives

of the members of the Men's ministry and the church at large, line upon line, precept upon precept (Isaiah 28:10). Every month this year, God has been giving us a word for the month as we proceed on our journey to divinely flourishing. This is also clearly stated in our confession "by the time this year is done and dusted, the blessings of divinely flourishing shall be written all over my life in the name of Jesus."

The month of February was a month we enjoyed divine favor, March was our month of His marvellous kindness, April was full of unusual possibilities, May was our month of enlargement, June was our season of change of stories encounter and in July we are experiencing His multiple graces. Why not join us and enjoy the cruise to divinely flourishing for the remaining part of the year 2023.

Happy 6th Anniversary celebration DDCC.

Ayo Adedeji
DDCC Men's Ministry



THE FLOURISHING ANOINTING

Psalm 92verse10 'But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil,'

According to Psalm 92verse 10, there is an anointing to flourish and this is also substantiated in other bible passages (Ps92v12-14). It was the flourishing anointing that enabled the likes of Joseph and Daniel to prosper in their respective domains despite the fact that they were foreigners! My dearly beloved ones, there is an anointing to flourish that you can depend on and also live by. This anointing is the heritage of every believer. You just need to know how to place a demand on it. This anointing will also work for you because this is God's mandate concerning you in this season. If you take a careful look at our text scripture (Psalm 92verse10) the word "fresh" can also be translated as: new, green, verdant, flourishing or prosperous. So in essence, we could say also "I shall be anointed with a flourishing or prosperous oil".

Glory be to God, the flourishing anointing is available and there are some peculiar things about this anointing that you need to know in order for it to work for you. What are these truths? If you are ready for this, here we go!

The Flourishing Anointing:

1. Will enable you to prosper regardless of where you are. Glory be to God in the highest! This anointing enables someone to prosper wherever they go. This is the kind of potential that is in this kind of anointing and this is something that God wants you to take full advantage of. In case you are still wondering if this is really true, take a good look at the life of Joseph in Egypt. It was this anointing that was at work in his life. No wonder he prospered anywhere he was. (He prospered in Potiphar's house, just like he prospered in the Prison and much more in the Palace). Gen39v2-6,21-23; 41v39-44.

So, my dear friends, where you are is not a problem because by the anointing you can prosper there and in fact I decree that from today, this will be your testimony in Jesus name amen. If you are connecting to this, can I hear a thunderous amen?

2. Will enable you to prosper regardless of what you do.

You know people have said that there are some jobs that seem to thrive better than other jobs. I know that this is true in some respect but believe me, with the flourishing anointing, you can prosper regardless of what your job description or environment is. This is what we see in operation in Joseph's life in Egypt. Joseph prospered as a Slave in Potiphar's house. He prospered as a Prisoner! He also prospered as the Prime Minister over Egypt! So my dear brothers and sisters, what is your excuse? In actual fact, you don't have any excuse because this anointing will cause you to flourish regardless of your job title or description! So henceforth, don't allow your job description to limit you because by the anointing you will do exploits in Jesus name, amen.

Ps1v3-The same anointing that worked for Joseph will also work for you too because God is no respecter of persons but a respecter of faith. Glory be to God! For your days of winning by the anointing are here! If you are receiving this, can I hear a resounding amen?

3. Will enable you to prosper regardless of who is in power or government.

Glory! I really love this one! The Flourishing anointing is no respecter of who is in power or government or authority! It works regardless of these factors. So Precious Child of God, what is your excuse? In actual fact, you don't have any one! Because it was by this anointing that Daniel prospered in Babylon regardless of who was in government or power. Dan6v28. My dear friends, God has not changed! What he did for Daniel he can also do it for you too if only you can believe. At least from what I can deduce Daniel prospered in the reign of at least 4 different Kings! He was neither related nor connected to any of them. So precious child of God, it doesn't matter who is in government, you will prosper. If you believe this, can I hear a resounding amen?

4. Will enable you to prosper regardless of the circumstances of life.

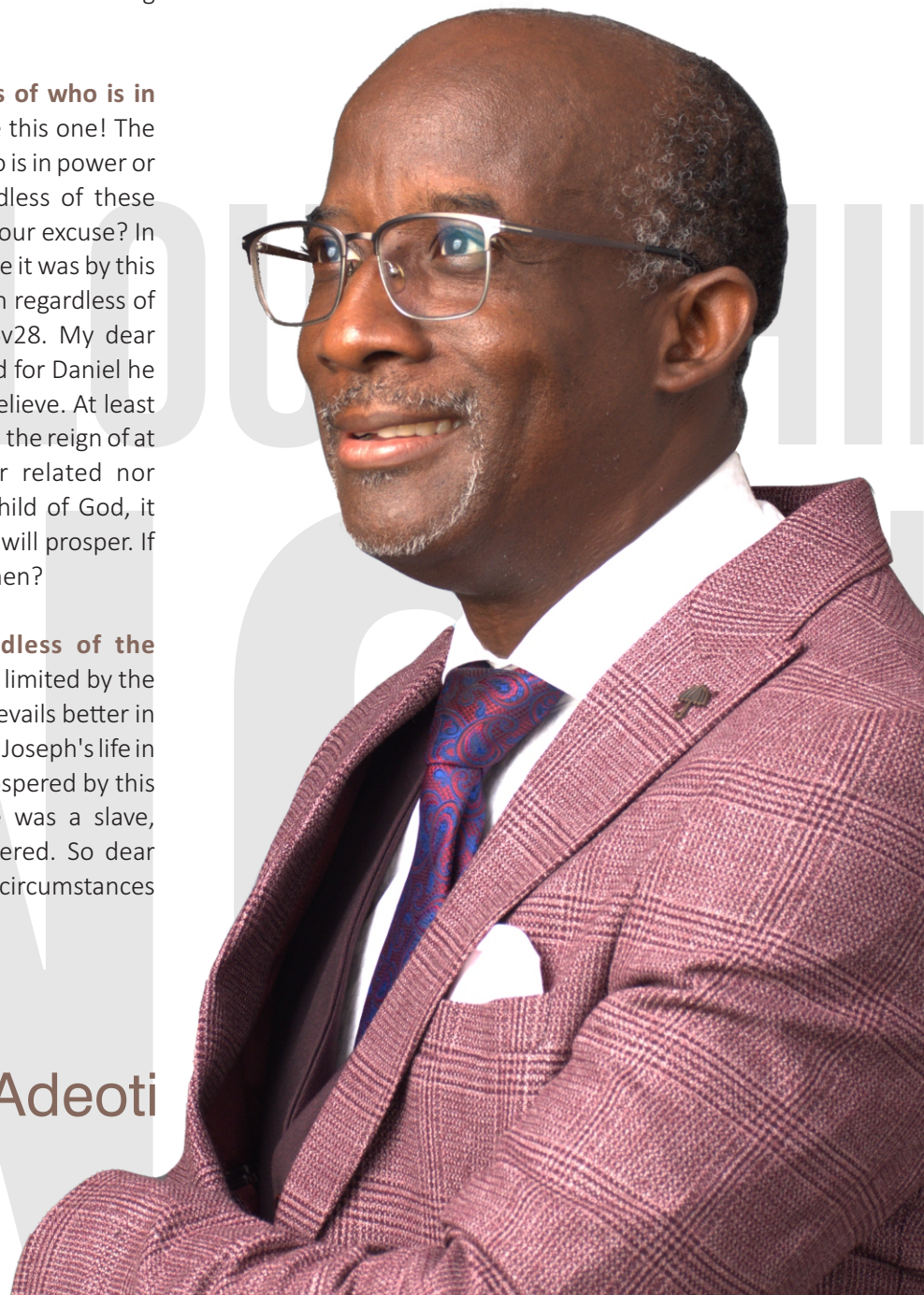
This anointing is not limited by the conditions or challenges of life. In fact it prevails better in such a kind of condition. Take a good look at Joseph's life in Egypt it was not palatable at all, yet he prospered by this anointing. It did not matter whether he was a slave, prisoner or Prime Minister he still prospered. So dear friends, no one or nothing, not even your circumstances

can limit or stop you. Jer17v7-8. The only thing that can, is yourself. So, give no room for unbelief or doubts. This anointing is no respecter of circumstances! I see your circumstances bowing down to this anointing. My dear brothers and sisters, it's a new day for you! Things will definitely not remain the same again because your liberation has come!

5. Will enable you to prosper all year round.

This is how the Palm, Cedar, Olive, Pine and Vine trees flourish. This is how the Lilies also flourish. Their flourishing is not seasonal, temporary or short-lived. These trees and plants flourish all year round. The same should also be true of you since God likens you to these trees. So, with the flourishing anointing, you will prosper all year round in Jesus name, amen. Ps1v1-3:92v14:Jer17v7-8.

My dear friends, this is your time of flourishing. I pray that this will be your testimony as you run with this prophetic word.



Pastor Yemi Adeoti



THRIVING IN THE FACE OF ADVERSITY

The Thriving Tribe

The year 2023, is the year of divine flourishing, hence, regardless of the happenings around us, we will flourish. As God's child, you are not to chorus 'there is a cast down' just like others declare. Your testimony according to God's word is that 'there is a lifting up' because you are a member of the Thriving tribe. To start with, what does it mean to thrive? To thrive means to grow luxuriantly, develop vigorously, flourish, to be successful, to do well, to be healthy and strong, to prosper, increase, boom, grow rich and intensify. Beautiful isn't it? To validate this point, let me take you to God's word.

In Ps 92:12 - 14 it says; 12 *The [uncompromisingly] righteous shall flourish like the palm tree [be longlived, stately, upright, useful, and fruitful]; they shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon [majestic, stable, durable, and incorruptible]. 13 Planted in the house of the Lord, they shall flourish in the courts of our God. 14 [Growing in grace] they shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be full of sap [of spiritual vitality] and [rich in the] verdure [of trust, love, and contentment].*

This is God's position for you as a child of God, regardless of what is happening around you, what has happened or will happen even in Nigeria and across the world. This is your lot as a child of God.

Let me take you to some key things you need to know about the Thriving tribe.

- The thriving tribe are ordinary people like you and me living their lives whose lives have been intercepted by the presence of God and have also received salvation through Christ Jesus
- Being a part of the thriving tribe has nothing to do with what you have been through or

how you started out in life. It is more about how you finish. In other words, the journey of your life might be bumpy, full of detours yet you come through because you hold fast to God's word.

- They are people who stand by their choices. They make a choice to rise in life. They do not allow their present level in life to stay with them. They make a choice to advance. As said by Bill Gates: 'If you are born poor, it is not your fault but if you die poor it becomes your fault'. They make decisions to get out of the rut and rise like a colossus.
- They learn to live in the times when God seems silent. There are times in life when it seems God is silent. At such times, things seem not to work as expected, yet the thriving tribe does not give in or give up on God. Like Joseph in the Bible who was sold first to the Ishmaelite's and then sold again to Potiphar in Egypt and God saw these yet he did not stop the process. He then was sent to prison for an offense he did not commit. God was silent. Do you think Joseph did not pray? He did, he cried many times at night saying "O Lord please help me, come to my rescue". Through it all, God appeared silent because he was working it out behind the scene. When it was time, Joseph received a quick release and lifting. Joseph did not stop living right, he kept on with good works. As the thriving tribe, you live out God's word in Galatians 6:9 that says *'be not weary in well doing for in due season you will reap if you faint not'*. You do this even when God seems silent. As the thriving tribe, your delay and disappointment is part of the plan. Do not curse God and die like Job's wife told him to. Your experience is part of the process. Say it now 'I am part of the thriving tribe'. God is on my case and I come through luxuriantly.



“Being a part of the thriving tribe has nothing to do with what you have been through”

- They are a unique specie and creatures of purpose. That means they matter in their sphere of life. They know that their life is not a mistake neither are they on earth by accident. They are aware that their life is a divine set up for advancement. They do not talk down on themselves. Like the harlot Rahab (Joshua 2:1-9) they know they carry an extra ordinary grace. They know that they are worth more than what the people around them think of them. And this is what I want you to believe and receive about yourself because you are the thriving tribe.
- They have the ability to spot their helpers of destiny. They make the necessary moves and remain trail blazers. They do not dwell in the hassles and difficulties of life. They look for the help they need to rise and advance. For instance, Rahab was able to spot her destiny helpers (the 2 spies), and she took advantage of the opportunity, which saved her and her entire family.

Now as you read this write up, I want you to say it again out loud to your hearing 'I (put your name)... am the thriving tribe' and that is your lot. Remember, life is about choices. I encourage you today to choose the thriving tribe.

In conclusion, I will like to say here that some persons in the Bible made the most impact and even in life currently, some people are making great impact. You may ask why? It is because they did not allow their story to end the way they started. You might feel like you are defeated but your story is not over yet. Your experiences and pains in life are for a purpose and you will thrive if you choose not to give up.

**Culled from
Pastor Ronke Adeoti's blog;
adapted from her teaching
on Mother's day
message 2023.**

**Dr. Uche Osakede
God's Leading Ladies**



A DIFFERENT KIND OF PRAISE

Psalm 92:1-5 KJV

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, And to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: To shew forth thy loving kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night.

Psalm 67:5-7 KJV

Let the people praise thee, O God; Let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him

Psalm 33:1-22 KJV

Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: For praise is comely for the upright.

We see from the scriptures above the power of praise. Is it possible to offer God a different kind of praise in this present time and season? What will praising God differently do for me? These are important questions people tend to ask themselves. Here are some reasons people offer praise to God; some people praise God for the small things they feel God has done for them, hence they render an attitude of 'small praise. Some praise God for seemingly average things and give average attitude of praise to God and some others praise God for great things and render uncommon praise to God. Still there are those who do not give God praise at all because they don't see the reason for it. They see no reason to praise God, saying in their hearts it is not a big deal to have some of the blessings of God. Interestingly, those who do not give God thanks for the small things will find it hard to thank him for the big things. There is the last set of people, despite the fact that they have not seen what God has done or is doing, they still find praise points and give God praise nonetheless. For instance, Abraham in Rom 4 vs 20 *'he staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God'*. Let us go on this journey of how to have a different kind of praise.

Let us look at the meaning of the word 'different'. When something is different, it means it is not the same as another, it is unlike in nature, has a unique form and quality, it is not similar, it is diverse, unusual and distinct. When you choose to praise God, you will experience God in his fullness.

How do we identify those who give a different kind of praise to God?

- They are those that are not over familiar with God. A man that is not over familiar with God, does not take God's goodness for granted. This is important because what we think is cheap is actually not cheap. What we think is common is indeed not common. Not everyone received healing from sicknesses and diseases and not everyone has what you have or have received what you have, not everyone has the privilege and access that you have as a person. Those who render a different kind of praise always have reasons to be grateful to God. God remains the center of their praise.
- They know how to look at their past and see that it could have only been by God's help. I want you to take a minute and think back over your life, see what God has done for you and see where he has brought you from. Mark the times, the occasion that there was a supernatural intervention and help from God and take some time to say to him father thank you. Those who render unusual praise reflect on God's goodness and give their all in the place of gratitude to God.

- They know how to examine where they are currently and give God praise for their state. They do not live a life of complain regarding their current state rather they find reasons to be grateful. The scripture in 2nd Samuel 11:18 says of David

'Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?'

This servant of God gave glory to God for help over his life. Give God real praise for your current state. He deserves it.

- They give God praise without thinking of what those around them will say about their praise. The man that gives God an unusual praise will render a song, a dance, an offering not minding what others think of his song or dance steps. He or she pours out praise to God. They empty themselves in gratitude to him. Like the woman with the alabaster box in Matthew 26:12, she poured an ointment on Jesus that heralds his majesty. Those that give a different praise to God do so with a heart of gratitude not minding who is watching.

How to render a different kind of praise?

- Give God your best in your praise. The best of your worship, song, dance, gift. Matthew 26:13 we read earlier mentioned that the woman in this text poured on Jesus an expensive alabaster box. This is a typical example of giving to God with no reservation.
- Render a praise that will provoke jealousy from men. A praise that will make men say why the noise, why the shout, why the waste, why sweat so much because you are giving God praise. Like David, he leaped and danced for joy with all his might before God, even though he was girded in a kingly apparel (2 Sam 6:16).
- Render a heartfelt gratitude to God. Let your heart be in your song and in your praise to God. That is, you are not just singing a song of praise just to say the lines you sing a song of praise with your heart in the lines.

- Always come back to God to give thanks. So many people forget so early what God has done for them and through them. They put God's grace that they enjoyed behind them. A man that renders a different kind of praise must know how to keep track and record of God's goodness and write them on the table of their hearts. A good example of this is the leprous man in Luke 17 vs 12-19, he came back to thank Jesus for his healing, and this got him something more than the others that did not deem it fit to return to appreciate Jesus.

There is a popular saying that a river that forgets its source will run dry. When you praise God and praise him differently, you remain on top and steady and never lack the good things of life. When you choose to praise God and praise him differently, you get more and beyond what is expected. Praise lifts and puts you over the ordinary, praise beautifies and restores. I present before you a challenge today that you take time out to give God quality praise; an unusual and a different kind of praise and I bet you, things will turn around and change for your favor.

See you at the top.

“Render a praise that will provoke jealousy from men”



Pastor Ronke Adeoti

FLOURISHING THROUGH THE PAST YEAR

5TH CONVENTION AND TENT INAUGURATION



Bishop Felix Remi Adejumo dedicating the new Church auditorium



DDCC Ministers celebrating at the 5th gratitude concert



The first service held in the new tent with Bishop Felix Remi Adejumo



Lead Pastors and Ministers with Minister Emieola Olusoga

ORDINATION SERVICE



Pastors taking their pledge



Anointing PST. Femi Elufioye



Anointing Pst. Yomi Okeowo



Presenting certificate to Pst. Femi Elufioye



Presenting certificate to Pst. Yomi Okeowo



New Pastors with the lead pastors

MEN'S DAY



DDCC Men Choir ministering on Father's Day



Men during a drama ministration



Men presenting a dance ministration



DDCC Men's Ministry

MOMEN'S DAY



Women's ministry choir ministering



DDCC women during dance ministration



Cross section of women on Mother's Day



DDCC Women's Ministry (God's Leading Ladies)

SINGLES & YOUTH MINISTRY (D' HAVILAH NETWORK)



Happy faces at the Youth Convention



Youth praising at the Praise Party



D' Havilah Choir ministering



Cross section of attendees at the Praise Party

CHILDREN



DCC teens ministering on Children's Day



Preteens class ministering



Baby class ministering



DCC Children's Ministry

PSALM 92:12 THE RIGHTEOUS SHALL FLOURISH LIKE THE PALM TREE: HE SHALL GROW LIKE A CEDAR IN LEBANON.

PSALM 92:13 THOSE THAT BE PLANTED IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD SHALL FLOURISH IN THE COURTS OF OUR GOD.

PSALM 92:14 THEY SHALL STILL BRING FORTH FRUIT IN OLD AGE; THEY SHALL BE FAT AND FLOURISHING;



THE CHOICE IS OURS TO BECOME
SUPERNATURAL
John 1:3 & 13, 3:8

We are born of God and of the Spirit. Romans 8:6-11, the scripture tells us how Apostle Paul reminds us that the supernatural presence of the living God enters our lives once we accept Jesus Christ in our hearts as our Savior and Lord. The word "supernatural" means beyond and above the natural. This is where God operates. It is the realm, where heaven and the earth intermingle; the realm of interaction between God and man. The supernatural is the word we receive from God. Our God possesses immense power, allowing Him to do practically anything He wishes. To become supernatural, we must have a new birth experience not mere spiritual activity as others do. We must understand that God is no respecter of persons; so, if we are too big to be saved, then we are too big to become supernatural. Are you born again? Do you have the fruits of the spirit? Do you have a spiritual gift? Are you filled with the Holy Ghost?

Being supernatural is having the Holy Spirit empowered life. It is a life that depends on God for wisdom and strength. The Spirit alone gives life and He alone can enable us to keep to God's word and instructions. Being a supernatural person brings us nourishment, healing and power to overcome sin and evil in the world. We will encounter hardships in our lives, but we know that the Holy Spirit within us will strengthen us, so that we will stand firm and face what is to come in the future with courage. It is when we obey God that the issues of life bow before us. Everyone who beholds God is transformed. It is God who turns an ordinary man to a supernatural man (Mark 16:16).

Supernaturality is not in the clothes that we wear but what is inside of us. It is faith that makes us see the face of God. We can not see God's face and fade out in this world (Hebrews 11:29-40). The knowledge of who we are will determine our territory. Until we know what is inside of us what is outside of us will control us. There is always a way out in life when we know who we are. Human connections may take us to the top but it takes the grace of God for us to remain there (Revelation 3:7-8).

How to become and remain supernatural:

1. Keep following God's words (Psalm 23)
2. Keep serving God and the interest of His kingdom.
3. Maintain the joy of the Lord (Habakkuk 3:17).
4. Do not wait for the encouragement of people. Wait for the encouragement of the Holy Spirit.
5. Be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Ghost
6. Do not just live as a Christian but as sons of God and live to serve God in your full capacity.
7. Challenge yourself to become more like Jesus in character and action
8. Depend totally on the Holy Spirit.

In conclusion, being open to supernatural life and possibilities provides hope and helps us have joy in a chaotic world. Becoming supernatural is being in the realm of limitless possibilities; it is a realm, where destinies change, miracles occur, victory is obtained; it is being in the realm, where things that do not exist come into existence (Hebrews. 11: 1-3).

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The Flourishing Child

We give God praise for another Anniversary. Hitherto, the Lord has brought us this far and we are grateful for His unending and steadfast love. God's desire for every child in DDCC this year is that they flourish on all sides. Who is a flourishing child? Before we start defining who a flourishing child is, I will like us to know who a flourishing child is not. According to the dictionary, it's an unsuccessful child, a failing or failed child, a collapsing child, a hopeless child, etc.

A flourishing child is:

1. According to Psalm 1:1. It is that child that does not walk in the counsel of the ungodly, does not stand in the ways of sinners, does not sit in the seat of the scornful, delights him/herself in God's word and meditates on it day and night. God told the children of Israel in Deuteronomy 11:18-19 The word should be in their heart and they should teach their children when they sit, walk, lie or rise up. (Paraphrased). Do we tell our children to go and read their Bible the way we tell them to go and read their school books? Just Sunday school teaching and rush hour morning prayers/devotions cannot sustain

“The word should be in their heart and they should teach their children when they sit, walk, lie or rise up”

a child in this present world. Parents need to rise up to the challenge of a decaying world where a lot of children are failing in character, empathy, love, morality etc. Only God's word can redeem our children in these perilous times. Allow your children fall in love with God's word, take out time to teach them God's word. The child that flourishes is that child that delights in God's word and meditates on it.

2. According to Psalm 92:12-15, the flourishing child, is a child that has chosen righteousness. If we want our seeds to flourish then we have a duty to teach them the path of righteousness. Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. Unrighteousness has been given a lot of names in our society. For example, when a child lies instead of correcting the child some parents will say he is such a smart kid you know, when a child is rude in addressing people some parents will say he is outspoken etc. Let's train our children in the way to go and when they are grown up, they will not depart from it.

In summary teach your children God's word, let them read it, let them memorise and recite it and let them apply it to their lives. Teach them to live righteously, not given to peer pressure trying to please friends but always doing that which is right and acceptable to God. Then we will have a balanced child, that is not just academically sound but well nurtured in the fear of the Lord. Make use of the holiday season, expose them more to God's word. The Lord will strengthen our hands to this great task in Jesus Name. Amen.