



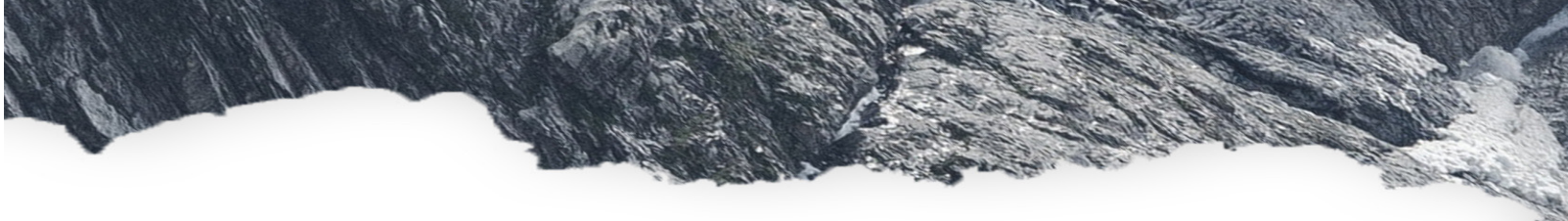
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

We thank our Lord Jesus Christ for seeing us through year 2022. As a Nation, we can speak of a year of anxiety over the just concluded General Election that marked the end of an era and beginning of another. As a Church, we did our duty of praying for a peaceful transition and the Lord granted us an election that was free of violence.

As ICC Imara, we have experienced God in a big way. This is not to say we did not have our own challenges, but amid them all, God came through in ways we could not imagine. It must be remembered by all of us that this is the year we had a lot of hope after two years of Covid-19. Although the disease continues to exist, God has healed nations. We can celebrate the recovering economies and trade. We can celebrate the socialization among people that had been banned including gathering in a place of worship. The Lord taught us to pray earnestly and to wait on Him.

I would like to highlight several miracles that have taken place and I would like to invite you to give thanks to God who continues to show love and mercy for His people.



In year 2022, we had 416 people give their lives to Jesus and receive Him as Lord and savior in their lives. 115 were baptized in water and 154 received as Members of the church. We had 95 new volunteers serving in different ministries. In our High School outreach ministry, we reached 2,265 students and 184 of them gave their lives to Jesus. In our university ministry, we reached 5,200 students with 29 salvations. We celebrated 6 weddings of our members and dedicated 110 children to the Lord. On our online Church, our YouTube subscription has reached 26.5k and 1.8k twitter followers. IG now has 2.9k representing a growth of 328%. On Facebook, we had 6.3k likes up by 52%. Why am I highlighting all this? We may have worked hard but it is by God's grace that we continue to grow as a congregation. As we close the year and begin another, we are a congregation of an average 2,200 people.

Allow me to also highlight that we have relaunched our I-belong project and 30% of the work is now complete through your generosity. We are trusting God that we shall make huge progress in 2023.


What does God have for us in 2023?

The word of God says in Jeremiah 33:3 "Call to Me and I will answer you and tell you unsearchable things you do not know." Although the world is wicked and does not deserve God's mercy, through Jesus Christ who carried the weight of our sins, the Lord says He will bring health and healing to His people. He will let them enjoy abundant peace and security. He will bring back His people from captivity and rebuild His Church again.

He will forgive people of their sins of rebellion and cleanse them of all their unrighteousness. He will restore the city and bring back joy, praise and honor to the church and our nation. The world will hear and respond with awe to the abundance, healing, prosperity, and peace that God has in store for us.

BUT! WE MUST LOVE AND FEAR GOD!





“The sounds of joy and gladness are coming. The voices of the bride and the bridegroom, and the voices of those who bring thank offerings to the house of the Lord saying: Give thanks to the Lord Almighty, for the Lord is good; His love endures forever. For I will restore the fortunes of the land as was before says the Lord.” Jeremiah 33:11

2023 is a year of restoration, at your work place, for your family, for you as an individual and growth of the Church. The Lord never fails, “TRUST in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight”.

From the 9th of January to the 29th we shall observe a time of prayer and fasting. I invite all of us to join and claim our portion from the promises of God. Every Saturday at 7:30-9:00am we shall congregate and pray together at the sanctuary. This is open to all of us together with family and friends.

Come and see what the Lord has done, He is ready to answer our prayers.

“We are better together”

Amen and Blessed 2023.

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