

# APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH WEST & CENTRAL AFRICA





**2023 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CAMP** 



# UNFEIGNED

When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. (2 Timothy 1:5)

# **IYC 2023**

**27th-30th DECEMBER** 

Apostolic Faith Church, Faith City, Ketu Adie Owe Road, Off Lusada Market, Ogun State

& Other Hubs

**CAMP HANDBOOK** 

# **Our Vision**

To raise and retain an army of outstanding young people going to Heaven and persuading others to come along.

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# 1. CAMP ANTHEM

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CODA: Faith of our fathers! living faith! We will be true to thee till death!

## 2. DETAILED PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Tuesday, 26th December 2023 - Day 0 (Officials Only)						
Time	Event	Activity	Locations			
7:00am - 10:00 am	Arrival/Registration	Registration	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
10:00am - 6:00 pm	Departmental Setup	Set Up	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
6:00 pm -7:30 pm	Dinner	Meal & Interactions	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
7/1		*Prayer *Article Review				
		* Operational				
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Worker's Retreat	Conversations	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
Wednesday, 27th December 2023 - Day 1						
Time	Event	Activity	Locations			
7:00 am - 3:00 pm	Arrival/Registration	Accreditation & Accommodation	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
12:00 noon - 2:00 pm	Choir Practice	Choir Practice	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Bible Study Review	Bible Study Review	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Dinner	Meal & Interactions	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Prayer Room	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
7:30 pm - 10:30 pm	•	Welcome	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
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Thursday, 28th December 2023 - Day 2						
Time	Event	Activity	Locations			
5:00 am - 5:30 am	Wake Up/Quiet Time	Personal Devotion	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
5:30 am - 7: 00am	P.U.S.H	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
7:00 am - 9:00 am	Bath and Breakfast	Morning Refresh and Meal	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Prayer Room	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
9:30 am - 12: 00 pm	Bible Study	Powered By Faith	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Meet and Greet	Lunch and Siesta	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Frank Talk	Allow God	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Prayer Room	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Evening Service	In His Presence	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
8:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Dinner	Dinner	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	WAIT	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
	Fri	day, 29th December 2023 - Da	y 3			
Time	Event	Activity	Locations			
5:00 am - 5:30 am	Wake Up/Quiet Time	Personal Devotion	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
5:30 am - 7: 00am	P.U.S.H	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
7:00 am - 9:00 am	Bath and Breakfast	Morning Refresh and Meal	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Prayer Room	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
9:30 am - 12:30 pm	ASPIRE	The Big Picture	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Meet and Greet	Lunch and Siesta	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
	Business Pitch	Apo-Preneurs	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
2:00 pm -5:00 pm	Teenage Fun and Gam	esPlaytime Fiesta	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Dinner	Dinner	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
7:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Ebenezer Night	Faith Fusion	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	WAIT	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
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Saturday, 30th December 2023						
Time	Event	Activity	Locations			
5:00 am - 5:30 am	Wake Up/Quiet Time	Personal Devotion	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
5:30 am - 7: 00am	P.U.S.H	Prayers	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
7:00 am - 9:00 am	Clean Up	Sanitation	Faith City/Area HQ/Hubs/Clusters			
9: 00am - 12:00 pm	Departure	Till We Meet Again!				

#### 3. BIBLE STUDY OUTLINE

## POWERED BY FAITH

Bible Text: Hebrews 11; James 2:17-26

**Memory Verse:** "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" - (Hebrews 11:6)

#### Introduction:

Faith is a priceless jewel that will take you safely from earth to Glory. God loves you with the most tender and infinite love. Jesus purchased your redemption and removed every obstacle out of the way of your acceptance with God. There is nothing but faith that will bring your soul into touch with God and cause you to inherit "the unsearchable riches of Christ." Faith will make you an heir of God and joint heirs with Christ. "All things are yours" in Christ. Faith is the connecting link. Faith is that which brings you into fellowship with God. Eternal life and all the precious treasures that eye hath not seen and ear hath not heard are for the one who believes. It is all conditioned-on faith.

Hebrews 11 unfolds as a radiant testimony, vividly detailing the extraordinary works birthed through the unwavering confidence in the divine. It stands as a testament to the undeniable truth that faith is the key, the secret ingredient that not only unlocks the miraculous but also weaves an unbreakable connection between the human and the divine. This pivotal chapter not only chronicles the exploits of faith but issues a resounding declaration: without faith, we cannot please God.

Understanding this foundation is crucial for us, to align ourselves with God's expectations and live out our roles as His cherished children. Today, let's embark on a journey into the depths of Hebrews 11, exploring the power of faith and discovering how it shapes our connection with the Almighty.

#### 1. What is Faith?

The Book of Hebrews chapter 11 verse 1 tells us that "faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen". The faith here defined does not come by feeling, nor exists by feeling. It is that which connects us with eternal realities.

Simply put, Faith is...

a. Who you BELIEVE: "...for he that cometh to God must believe

- that He is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. GOD is the person.
- b. What you **BELIEVE**: "...the substance of things hoped for". Believing <u>God's Word</u>. Faith is a strong belief or total confidence or complete trust in God's word above all odds.
- c. What you **DO**: Faith is what you do the actions you take are a result of your **Obedience** in God's word. Obedience is the principal channel for activating our faith in God.
- d. Who you **ARE**: Your faith is an integral part of your <u>Identity</u>. It affects how you see and present yourself in the world.

Faith is a reality. Faith is not a feeling or an emotion; faith is not sight; but it is an actual, living reality – absolute, positive, sure, and certain.

#### 2. Head or Heart?

Understanding faith can be challenging when we seek an easier path. Yet, faith goes beyond mere head knowledge—it penetrates our hearts, linking us to eternal truths. The struggle arises as we often lean on the tangible, disregarding God's promises.

The question to you would be, do you believe God is - Loving (Jer 31:3), Merciful (Psalm 136:1), Holy (Leviticus 11:44), Powerful (Matthew 19:26), Full of Wisdom (Romans 11:33), and Righteous (Psalm 11:7). Do you also believe His Promises (Jer 29:11), Judgment (Isaiah 13:11); Corrections (Hebrews 12:6-7) and Warnings (Ezekiel 18:20)

If you truly believe a man, you believe all that he says. He who does not believe that God will punish sin, will not believe that God will pardon it through the atoning blood. Sincere faith in God must treat all God's Word alike; for the faith which accepts one word of God and rejects another is evidently not faith in God, but faith in our own judgment. Taking God at His Word opens you to a faith deeply rooted in your heart, bringing meaningful changes to your life.

#### 3. Unbelief-The Root of All Problems

Unbelief, the greatest obstacle (Hebrews 4:1-3): The devil knows that if we are to receive from God, we must have faith. Therefore, he will fight

us in our minds to cause doubt as he did Eve in the garden (Genesis 3:1). It is unbelief that would make someone to be around the church and children of God for many years without getting saved.

### 4. The Journey and Purpose of Faith: Where does faith begin?

You may wonder, how do I begin this journey of faith? The scripture says in Romans 10:17 that "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God". Faith is that action one must take to experience the foundational Christian experiences which in turn forms the bedrock of our faith journey.

- a. Ephesians 2:8. "By grace are ye saved, through faith". <u>Salvation</u> is the first and principal transformative work that faith accomplishes. The passage suggests that two distinct actions take place: grace, from God to man, and faith, from man to God. Romans 5:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17.
- b. We then go into deeper consecrations by seeking other Christian graces Entire sanctification (which keeps us holy and in unity with God), and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (which empowers us for the service of God). John 17:15-21; Acts 1:5-6; 2:1-4.
- c. Hebrews 11:6 tells us that it is impossible to come to God without faith. He is faithful to anyone who will come to Him and furnish Him with an honest heart.
- d. In Hebrews 10:38 "The Just shall live by <u>his faith</u>". We see then that if we are to be Christians at all, we must have faith. In summary, *faith* is our spiritual breath which keeps us spiritually alive.
- e. Daily Living a life of faith Galatians 5:5; 2 Timothy 1:13; 2 Timothy 2:2

#### 5. How can this faith be powered?

James 2:17-18, 24 tells us that faith without work is dead. Having reviewed the life of the "hall of fame" of faith, it is important for us to know how this faith can be powered in us? How can we access and produce the same result?

- a. Reading and meditating on the word of God: Psalms 119:130; 82:5; ITim 4:15
- **b.** Through prayer: Act 6:4; Acts 2:45; Mark 11:24; Jude 1:20
- **c. Absolute obedience**: Deuteronomy 28:1-2; Joshua 1:8; John 13:17; John 2:1-10

- **d.** Confession of the word of God: Ezekiel 37:1-12; Psalm 107:2. A person of faith "acts like it is so, even when it doesn't look like it is so, so that it may be so, because God said so".
- e. Patience: Heb 6:12

#### 6. Living out your Faith

Reading through Hebrews 11 we have stellar examples of how great men lived out their faith. Faith is special because it is key to unlocking God's power in our lives. Impossibilities become possible through the application of faith.

- a. Faith moves mountains: Hebrews 11:30: 1 Samuel 17:45
- b. Faith brings healing: 2 Kings 4:23,26; James 5:14-16; Luke 8:43-48
- c. Faith gives direction: Heb 11:8-19; Heb 4:1-3; Gen 12:1-4
- d. Faith moves God to act: Matthew 8:5-13
- e. Faith gets us through tough times: 2 Corinthians 12:9; Esther 4:16
- f. Faith guarantees our future: Psalm 121:1-2; Psalm 23:6
- g. Faith restores what is lost: 1 Samuel 30:8; Joel 2:25; Psalms 126:1-2
- h. Faith takes us to Heaven: Hebrews 11:5

#### 7. When trials come

So, I had faith, but the rainy days came, nonetheless. What should I do? All the heroes we read about wouldn't have been if not for their trials. It is in adversity that God's strength is made manifest. How else will we know to trust God if the situation isn't hopeless? Like them God expects us to do the following when we're faced with challenges.

- a. Endure with Unwavering Faith: 1 Corinthians 15:58, Galatians 6:9
- b. Trust in God's Faithfulness: Psalm 46:1; Exodus 15:2-3
- c. Obedience Despite Uncertainty: Proverbs 3:5-6, Mattew 6:25-34, Romans 8:28
- d. Cling to Hope Amidst Challenges:Romans 8:25; Romans 5:5; Hebrews 10:23

e. Seek God Diligently for Strength: Psalm 105:4; Luke 21:36, 1 Chronicles 16:11

Remember the teacher is always silent during the test. And so even when all hope seems lost, the clouds may be as brass, yet the child of God will stand firm and go through with faith in God, knowing that He cannot fail. Always know that God is watching and would not allow you to be tempted above what you are able to bear. 1 Corinthians 10:13

#### Conclusion:

And while many people put a premium on something they can feel, God puts a premium upon faith that is in the heart, the faith that you have gathered in your soul that will stand the test, that will weather the storm, that will bear the reproach, that will bear anything that God permits to come.

The Word of God is an impregnable fort. It is impossible for Satan to get through the Word of God and into our heart. We hide the Word in our heart lest we sin against God. And as long as the seed, which is the Word of God, remains in the heart, we do not commit sin. God tells us to take heed lest we let the Word slip out of our heart through disobedience.

Abraham couldn't have told you where his final destiny was or how he would get there. He just knew God had told him to leave the safe harbour of where he was. Understand this: what you're willing to walk away from often determines what God can entrust to you. You say, 'But I need to have more information.' You will know as you go! With each step of faith you take, God will reveal another detail. He will inform you on a 'need-to-know' basis. So, is the God who said to Abram, 'Get thee out of thy country...unto a land that I will show thee' saying something similar to you today? Don't be afraid; just step out in faith and obey Him.

#### Challenge:

Are you ready to join the nation of faith, who are determined to always look only to Jesus the author and the finisher of our faith?

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