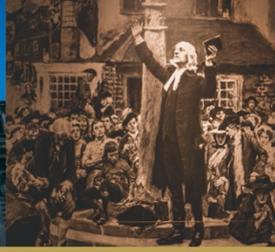


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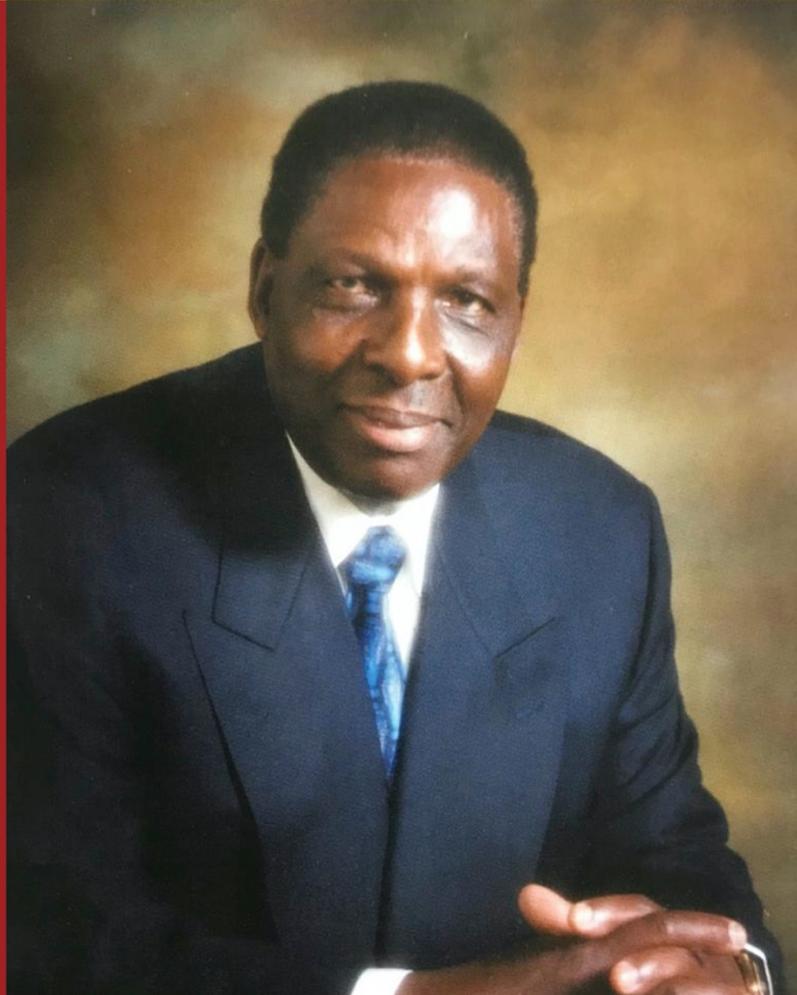
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Chaplain, Nigerian Fellowship, MCHW

LIVE STREAM WELCOME - (Chapel)
Revd Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister

VIDEO HYMN - I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath
STF 79

I'll praise my Maker while I've breath,
and when my voice is lost in death,
praise shall employ my nobler powers;
my days of praise shall ne'er be past,
while life, and thought, and being last,
or immortality endures.

Happy the man whose hopes rely
on Israel's God! He made the sky,
and earth, and seas, with all their train:
His truth for ever stands secure;
he saves the oppressed, he feeds the poor,
and none shall find his promise vain.

The Lord gives eyesight to the blind;
the Lord supports the fainting mind;
he sends the labouring conscience peace;
he helps the stranger in distress,
the widow and the fatherless,
and grants the prisoner sweet release.

I'll praise him while he lends me breath,
and when my voice is lost in death,
praise shall employ my nobler powers;

my days of praise shall ne'er be past,
while life, and thought, and being last,
or immortality endures.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) based on Psalm 146

OPENING PRAYERS - (Chapel)

Revd Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister

1ST READING Psalm 23 (Video)

Read by Olu Akinyemi

The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside the still waters.

³ He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of
righteousness, for His name's sake.

⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow
of death, I will fear no evil; For You *are* with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my
enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs
over. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of
the LORD, forever.

VIDEO HYMN - 'It Is Well With My Soul' (When Peace Like A River)

STF 41

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows, like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,

'It is well, it is well with my soul.'

It is well, it is well with my soul, with my soul,

It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should
come,

let this blest assurance control,
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed His own blood for my soul.

Chorus

My sin: O, the bliss of this glorious thought:
My sin: Not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Chorus

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
'Even so': It is well with my soul.

Horatio G Spafford (1828-1888)

**CONTRIBUTION: 'Shall We Gather By The River'
Nigerian Fellowship, MCHW - (Zoom)**

2ND READING Revelation 21:1-7 TNIV

Read by John Hall (**Video**)

A new heaven and a new earth

21 Then I saw 'a new heaven and a new earth, 'for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ²I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death" or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.'

⁵He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!' Then he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.' ⁶He said to me: 'It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of

life. ⁷ Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

TRIBUTE 1 - His Eminence Dr. S.C.K. Uche (Video)

CONTRIBUTION BY NIGERIA METHODIST CHAPLAINCY
Caroline Ogunsola, Secretary - (Zoom)

TRIBUTE 2 - Dr. David Cundal, Nigeria Health Care Project - (Video)

VIDEO HYMN - What A Friend We Have In Jesus

STF 531

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
what a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations,
is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness:
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge?
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;

in his arms he'll take and shield thee,
thou wilt find a solace there.

Joseph Medlicott Scriven (1819-1886)

TRIBUTE 3 - Most Revd. Michael Stephen (Video)

VIDEO HYMN - 'In Christ Alone My Hope Is Found'

STF 351

In Christ alone, my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied
for every sin on him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious Day
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,

Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Keith Getty (b. 1974) and Stuart Townend (b. 1963)

TRIBUTE 4 - Susan Solanke, Methodist Central Hall (Zoom)

GOSPEL READING John 14:1-6, 27 TNIV

Revd. Dr. Ayodeji Okegbile, Nigeria Methodist
Chaplaincy UK, MCHW (Chapel)

Jesus comforts his disciples

14 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ² My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going.' ⁵ Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' ⁶ Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.'

**PASTORAL WORDS - Revd. Tony Miles,
Superintendent Minister, MCHW (Chapel)**

VIDEO HYMN - 'Abide With Me'

STF 141

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;
when other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
change and decay in all around I see;
O thou who changest not, abide with me!

I need thy presence every passing hour;
what but by grace can foil the tempter's power?
who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
ills have to weight, and fears no bitterness;
where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY - (Chapel)

Revd. Dr. Ayodeji Okegbile, Nigeria Methodist
Chaplaincy UK, MCHW

THE LORD'S PRAYER - Led by Revd. Dr. Ayodeji Okegbile

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

VOTE OF THANKS FROM THE FAMILY - (Zoom)
Mrs Yemisi Oladapo

CLOSING VIDEO HYMN - 'Love Divine, All Loves Excelling'

STF 503

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven to earth come down,
fox in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more they temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Blessing - Revd. Tony Miles

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