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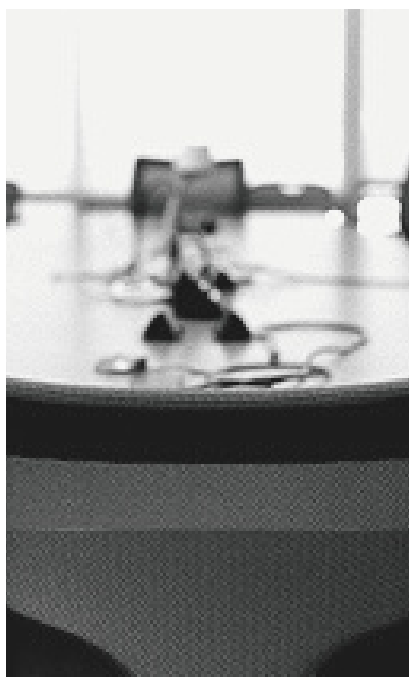
The Purpose of "PARTNER MONTHLY" PUBLICATION

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The Lord has crowned **2022** as a season of the **DOUBLE**. Let's get ready to place a faith demand on what God is saying and doing and gain momentum in the spirit. We will not become static but will remain dynamic with the help of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord has lead us to develop additional materials to support our partnership community. Our objective at **CONGREGATION OF CHURCHES** is to help churches, ministries and ministers publish the gospel. Over the past twelve years, we've developed: **PARTNER PODCASTS**, and **PARTNER CELL GROUPS**, **Christian Inspiration Publications**, and our "**PARTNER MONTHLY MAGAZINE**".

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TIMES AND SEASONS

The word "**Season**" is defined as a period of time.

The word "**Season**" comes from the Greek root word "**Kairos**" which represents windows of opportunity inside of time.

The Greek word for 'Time' however is "**Chronos**" which represents time w/duration, or measurable time.

Measurement is a distinguishing characteristic of Chronos time, in that it is quantitative, and can be accounted for.

Chronos is the word from which we get the concept of a watch, or chronometer.

A chronometer is an instrument utilized for measuring time in seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years.

Chronos time is marked and framed, and we can actually see Chronos time coming and going.

The next word we'll need to look at in order to appreciate what we will say in this article, is the word "Purpose".

Purpose is defined as "**The Reason Why**".

We should understand the reason why we do anything in any season, otherwise we'll mismanage our times.

What is the purpose of the school season?
What is the purpose of Sunday mornings?
What is the purpose of your work week?
What is the purpose of date night?

Kairos is a specific time frame which exists in between **Chronos** time.

The Kairos moments appear within our Chronos minutes!

Listen to this reference from the book of Ephesians chapter five.

Ephesians 5:15-17 AMP - Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise (sensible, intelligent people), Vs 16 - Making the very most of the time [buying up each opportunity], because the days are evil. Vs 17 - Therefore do not be vague and thoughtless and foolish, but understanding and firmly grasping what the will of the Lord is.

The Spirit of God can enable you and I to discern the Kairos moments, and when we do, we can purposely make the most of every opportunity.

We all have an equal amount of Chronos in a day, however, each of us are to decide how we will use our time.

When we manage the Chronos time according to purpose, we are also managing the season according to purpose.

Your life is the big picture, while the season of your life represents a segment of the big picture. You may be in a sense living according to God's purpose for your life, but are you functioning according to God's purpose for this season of your life. If you don't understand that, you could abuse this season and waste time doing the wrong thing.

This leads me to the next thought for consideration.

How is the Lord leading you in this season?
What is He saying, about the next season?

Although in the next few weeks, we'll move into a new year, we don't have to wait until the new year ... to enter into a new season. God is not limited to the calendar. He is not limited to speaking to you on December 31st.

He can speak to you about newness at any point of the year, even NOW.

Do you have a Pastor?
Do you have a Spiritual Covering?
What is the Lord saying to you through them?
Are you hearing and acting on those words in a corresponding way?

The Lord can provide a Word through your leadership which will crown the year with a theme or a focus for the congregation.

Here's scripture for this; Listen to this reference from the book of Psalm chapter sixty-five and verse eleven.

Psalm 65:11 - Thou **crownest the year** with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

Yet, there are times when the Lord will endeavor to provide momentum for you, by releasing a Word to a people group even before a new calendar year. Having said that; the following is what the Lord is saying through our ministry.

In July, the Lord began speaking to us at CONGREGATION OF CHURCHES about 2022.

He said that 2022, would be known as the year of the "**DOUBLE**".

Double Blessing!
Double Favor!
Double Grace!

The "DOUBLE" is not just about two times of a thing, but increase. God's desire is to increase you and I.

Can you receive this prophetic word?

If you can expect the "DOUBLE" it will be possible for you to receive increase.

We'll get into this further in next month's PARTNER MONTHLY.

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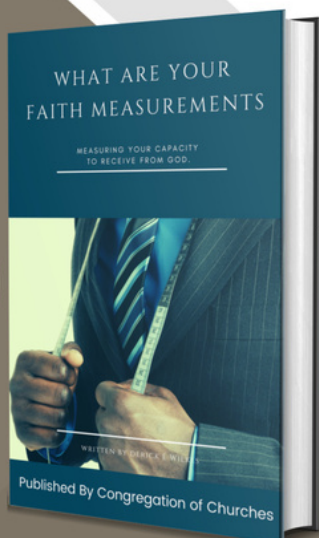
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SONS AND HEIRS

When we are born into God's family through Jesus, we are automatically blessed with the legal rights and privileges belonging to a child of God.

Though at first we are immature spiritually, we'll need to grow up in Christ to become mature sons who can enjoy the inheritance given by the father and exercise the privileges and responsibilities of adult son-ship.

The Greek word for "heir", biblically means ... the recipient of divine promises.

In fact, as Christians we have a double inheritance.

Listen to this reference from the book of Romans chapter eight and verse seventeen.

Romans 8:17 (a) - And if children, then heirs; **heirs of God**, and **joint-heirs with Christ**; ...

John 1:12 - But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the **sons of God**, even to them that believe on his name:

This phrase **sons of God** as used in John chapter one and verse twelve is referring to **children of God** by virtue of the new birth experience, even immature sons.

The book of Romans chapter eight uses the word children to refer to us as well. Listen to Romans chapter eight and verses fifteen and sixteen.

Romans 8:15-16 - For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of **adoption**, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. **Vs 16** - The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the **children of God**:

The Greek root word "**TEKNON**" as used in both instances; John chapter one and verse twelve (**son of God**) and also Romans chapter eight, verses fifteen through sixteen, (**children of God**) represents *immature ones*.

However, in order to benefit from our inheritance, we must grow from the child stage and into the mature sonship stage. There is a lot that belong to us, however we cannot really benefit from those things if we are not developed.

Now, in the same book and chapter ... Romans eight and verse fourteen, we find something interesting.

Romans 8:14 - For as many as are **led** by the Spirit of God, they are the **sons of God**.

This word for "son" is the Greek word "**HUIOS**" representing a mature son.

God will lead you by His Spirit into maturity.

Jesus as a mature son-heir is qualified to receive everything from the Father. We are joint heirs with Christ and are growing up to look like Him.

According to Galatians chapter three and verse twenty-nine; when we become Christ's we are the heir of the promises God made with Abraham. Yet, we must grow up in order to be able to handle our inheritance. Your inheritance is something you are to grow for, in order to enjoy.

Galatians chapter four illustrates:

Galatians 4:1 - Now I say, That the **heir**, as long as he is a **child**, differeth nothing from a **servant**, though he be lord of all;

Again, growing up spiritually, through the renewing of the mind and acting on God's Words will enable us to benefit from our inheritance.

You are a child of God, becoming a son of God and enjoying the inheritance of God and Jesus; isn't that awesome?

We are discovering that God has many children but not many sons, due to a lack of development in the body of Christ.

This brings a thought to mind; that i'd like to share with you in light of what i said to you in the previous article concerning the year of the "DOUBLE"

Go with me to the book of Deuteronomy chapter twenty-one and verses fifteen through seventeen.

Deuteronomy 21:15-17 - If a man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him children, both the beloved and the hated; and if the firstborn son be hers that was hated: **Vs 16** - Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherit that which he hath, that he may not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, which is indeed the firstborn: **Vs 17** - But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated for the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath: for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn is his.

Now listen to this reference from the book of Romans chapter eight and verse twenty-nine.

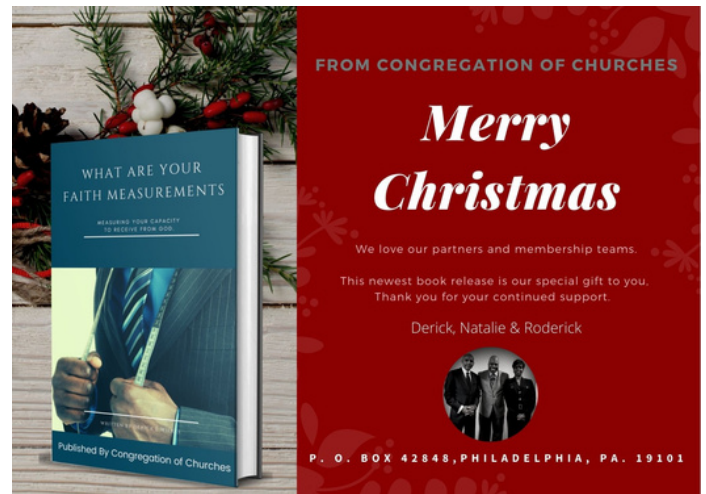
Romans 8:29 - For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he (JESUS) might be the firstborn among many brethren.

You are covenant connected to God our father, through Jesus our blood brother.

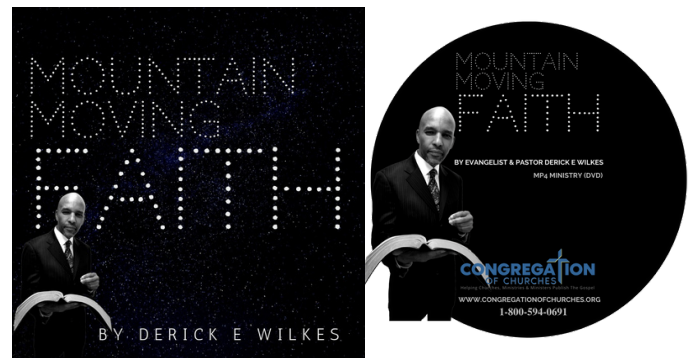
You and I have a right to the same portion upon the firstborn (JESUS). The DOUBLE.

The Double is upon you and i as (1) heirs of God and (2) Joint heirs of Jesus.

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Jesus is Coming Soon!!!

On Sunday December, 28th 2021, The Lord spoke at the conclusion of the service; He said, let my people know that "**I AM COMING SOON**".

Some may be dismissive of this thought, thinking " I've heard that before, even many times.

I sensed in my heart as I pondered His words that the Lord is ushering us into preparing ourselves and others for His coming; specifically as it relates to evangelism. The word which He began to amplify into my heart for the next couple of days is the word "WITNESS".

I was reminded by God's Spirit of something Jesus said in the book of Matthew chapter twenty-four and verse fourteen.

Matthew 24:14 - And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a **witness** unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Based on this reference concerning "WITNESS" its clear that the publishing of the gospel will be a catalyst to the return of Jesus.

Listen to this reference from the book of Acts chapter one and verse eight.



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Acts 1:8 - But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be **witnesses** unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Let's briefly speak about this word witness.

This word "WITNESS" can refer to both the person testifying and also the evidence being presented which becomes part of the testimony.

Not only are you and I a "WITNESS" but the signs and wonders which will follow us as we testify become a "WITNESS". As you evangelize in this upcoming season, I believe we're going to see an increase in signs and wonders as Jesus' return is soon.

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When speaking of seed where the kingdom of God is concerned; Jesus said that the seed is the Word of God.

Luke 8:11 – Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

When we speak of sowing seed, and when the bible speaks of sowing seed, specifically in the book of Mark chapter four where it deals with the parable of the sower and the soils, Jesus refers to the seed as the Word of God being sown into the hearts of men.

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