



Outreach Centre....Imparting Abundant Life

JEHOVA!

Dear friends,
We completed the second part of the sermon series, "Jehovah – Our Source for Divine Manifestation," presents a progressive revelation of God through five redemptive names, each unveiling how divine manifestation—the visible expression of God's life at work in and through His people—is experienced in deeper and more transformative ways.

Beginning with Jehovah Raah – The Lord My Shepherd, God is revealed as the One who lovingly leads, nurtures, protects, and sustains His people. Like a shepherd caring for his flock, He provides guidance, comfort, provision, and security. This reality finds its fullest expression in Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, whose sacrificial love establishes a relationship of intimacy and assurance. Through His shepherding, believers experience divine manifestation in provision, direction, and continual companionship.

This revelation deepens in Jehovah Tsidkenu – The Lord Our Righteousness, where God is not only the standard of righteousness but also the One who imparts it to His people. Fulfilled in Christ—the Righteous Branch—this name reveals that through His death and resurrection, believers are restored into right standing with God. Divine manifestation here is expressed

through transformed identity,



justified living, and the empowerment to walk in righteousness.

Flowing from righteousness is Jehovah Mekoddishkem – The Lord Our Sanctification, which emphasises God's work of setting His people apart for holy purposes. Sanctification is both positional and progressive, involving ongoing transformation into Christlikeness. As believers yield to God's sanctifying work, they become vessels through which His glory is revealed—manifesting in personal transformation, excellence, distinctiveness, and meaningful impact in both secular and spiritual contexts.

The series then reveals Jehovah Sabaoth – The Lord of Hosts, portraying God as the supreme Commander of heavenly and earthly armies. Here, divine manifestation is seen in God's intervention in life's battles—through angelic assistance, victory over opposition, and the execution of justice. God fights for His people,

demonstrating His sovereignty and power, and ensuring that His purposes prevail.

Finally, the series culminates in Jehovah Shammah – The Lord Is There, the ultimate assurance of God's abiding presence. More than a theological truth, this name affirms a continuous, intimate, and personal relationship with God. In Christ, God's presence dwells within and among His people, bringing rest, transformation, confidence, and empowerment for purpose. His presence becomes the foundation and guarantee of divine manifestation in every area of life.

Together, these five revelations present a coherent journey: from being led by God, to being made righteous, to being sanctified, to experiencing victory through Him, and ultimately to living in the fullness of His abiding presence. This progression underscores that divine manifestation is not accidental, but the result of a deepening relationship with God, expressed through His nature, His work in Christ, and His continual presence with His people.

I pray that these messages, the testimonies and outreach events we share in this newsletter will go a long way to bless you and all yours. Thank you for being a trusted partner in our Master's business.

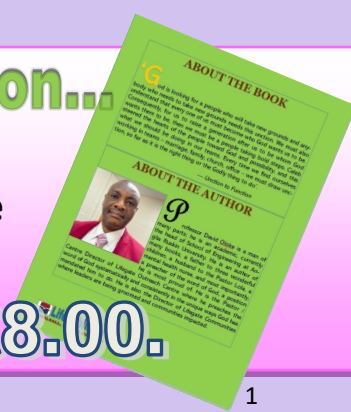
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Commonwealth Professional Fellows Close-Out Meeting

On Saturday, 18th April 2026, the Commonwealth Professional Fellowship fellows at Lifegate Outreach Centre gathered with the team for a close-out meeting, marking the end of their engagement. The session provided an opportunity for reflection, connection, and shared learning. Fellows spoke about their experiences throughout the programme, highlighting key insights, personal growth, and the impact of their

time with the organisation and the community. A major highlight of the meeting was the feedback session, which was both interactive and enriching. Fellows openly shared their thoughts, lessons learned, and recommendations, creating a space for honest dialogue and mutual encouragement. The gathering was a celebration of collaboration, learning, and the relationships built along the journey.



My Experience

- Reflections from a Commonwealth Fellow by Tleetse Ada Phakoe

My experience as a Commonwealth Professional Fellow hosted by Lifegate Outreach Centre was both transformative and deeply enriching. From the outset, I was immersed in an environment highlights partnership, cohesion and collaboration. I engaged with diverse institutions, professionals, practitioners and I quickly realized that the fellowship was not just a program, but a dynamic community built on shared learning.

One of the most impactful aspects of the fellowship was the opportunity to engage meaningful with the Lifegate and West Midlands community and I found myself constantly learning from the insights and experiences of others. The structured components of the fel-

lowship were equally valuable hands on workshops, West Midlands events provided practices and skills that I could apply beyond the program. I particularly appreciated Lifegate programs and West Midlands events- Circular Economy, Venture Fest, Community Garden, WEAP etc as they helped me develop skills and practices that are essential in my professional setting. The workshops have also provided me with hands-on experience working collaboratively under time constraints for instance the development of the Migration toolkit, Presentations for the CSC progress meeting and Individual presentations, which strengthened my ability to adapt, organize, and contribute effectively within a team.

The fellowship has also significantly

contributed to my personal growth. Being in a new environment pushed me out of my comfort zone and allowed me to develop greater confidence in my abilities. I learned to embrace uncertainty, take initiative, and approach challenges with resilience. The supportive atmosphere created by the Lifegate community and fellow participants reinforced the idea that growth often comes from discomfort.

This fellowship was more than just a professional experience—it was a pivotal moment in my personal and professional journey that has motivated me to pursue opportunities that align with my values and to think more intentionally about the impact of my work. As I look ahead, I am grateful for the experience and the lasting influence it will have on my path.



Easter HAF Programme Success

Ejuma-Amen Thompson

We are delighted to share the success of our recent Easter Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme, which ran from 30 March to 2 April. This programme was delivered with funding support from Walsall Council. This year's theme focused on arts, craft, and dance, offering children a fun-filled and enriching experience throughout the week. The programme featured a wide range of engaging activities designed to inspire creativity and promote healthy living. Each day, children also enjoyed nutritious hot meals, ensuring they were well-fuelled and able to fully take part in all activities. One of the highlights was our food and nutrition session, where children learned about the importance of colour in food and why eating a variety of colourful fruits supports a healthy diet. They also made their own fruit kebabs, and each child took home a bag of

fresh fruit, skewers, and an information sheet outlining the nutritional benefits of each fruit encouraging them to continue healthy habits at home with their families.

Creativity flourished through arts and crafts, with children decorating Easter eggs, painting Easter bunnies, creating mini baskets, and designing vibrant tie-dye butterflies. The excitement continued with a lively Easter egg hunt, where hidden treasures and chocolates brought smiles to everyone involved. As part of the experience, the children enjoyed a special trip to the cinema, where they watched *The Land of Sometime*. The film encouraged important reflections on wishes, gratitude, and appreciating what we have. Overall, the Easter HAF programme was a fantastic success, providing children with memorable experiences, new skills, and valuable life lessons in a fun and supportive environment.



Lifegate Outreach Centre

Anti-Plastic Soil Community Campaign Day

Toyin Oshaniwa

Local residents, families, and volunteers came together for a community clean-up along Green Lane and Green Lane Park, led by Lifegate Outreach Centre. The day focused on tackling plastic waste and protecting the soil, and green spaces we all enjoy.

The event proudly supported the Great British Spring Clean (13–29 March 2026), the UK's biggest annual environmental campaign encouraging people to pledge time to litter-picking and caring for their neighbourhoods.

Our collective achievements included collection of litter from footpaths, grassy areas, and edges; removal of harmful plastics that could damage soil and local habitats; helping to make Green Lane and the park cleaner, safer, and more welcoming, bringing people together for a shared purpose and a fun, active day outdoors.

Everyone was supported with gloves, litter pickers, and clear guidance to make sure the clean-up was safe and enjoyable for all ages. Families, young people, and older residents all played a part, showing how powerful community action can be.

Plastic pollution doesn't just look untidy, it harms soil health, affects wildlife, and disrupts natural ecosystems. By taking action locally, we're helping protect the environment for future generations.

We sincerely appreciate all who volunteered. Your time, energy, and care made a real difference. Lifegate Outreach Centre is committed to building a cleaner, greener community, and this event showed what we can achieve when we work together.



My Heart was Filled with Gratitude at Easter

Nkesi Kasi

*All my words fall short
I got nothing new
How can I express....
All my gratitude
I could sing these songs, as I often do
But every song must end, and you never do.
So I'll throw up my hands
and praise you again and again
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah..
hallelujah...
and I know it's not much but I have
nothing else fit for a king
except for this heart singing hallelujah
Hallelujah...*

- Brandon Lake 2020.

On Easter Sunday morning, my heart filled with gratitude. There were no words to explain or describe the value or importance of what Jesus did for me. God the Father had a plan, and to think that I was in that grand plan is simply amazing. He saw me as He saw Moses, Abraham, Isaac, Joseph, and Mary in the kingdom plan.

Everyone has a role to play in this kingdom plan. The people of the Old Testament constantly pointed to the coming of a King, a Saviour, a Messiah. The plan included Adam and Eve, who through their disobedience ushered in a one man imputing sin pattern (since sin came through one man, righteousness could not be left out, it also had to come through a man: Jesus). So, Jesus imputed righteousness to us. This is where it begins: the new birth... being born again... being born of the Spirit simply by believing in Jesus, that He came, died, was buried, and rose again from the dead for me so that I can be free from sin. He paid it all. I am free, forgiven, justified, and positioned in Christ Jesus. Hallelujah!

Everyone was an actor or actress designed to play their role in this great plan of the Father.

Let's see some of the actors in God's plan from the Old Testament, all point-

ing to the coming of Jesus and His kingdom:

Adam (Genesis 3:15): Represents the first promise of salvation. It begins in the Garden of Eden—"Seed of the woman" points to Jesus' virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23). Represents humanity; Jesus is the new Adam (Romans 5:12-19).

Abraham (Genesis 22:18): Called to make sacrifices. He leaves his comfort zone to do God's bidding and becomes the father of nations—blessing to nations through Jesus (Galatians 3:8, 16). Willing to sacrifice his only son (Isaac), paralleling God sacrificing Jesus



(Genesis 22:2; John 3:16).

Isaac (Genesis 22): Represents the willing, obedient son, a type of the sacrificial lamb, paralleling Jesus (John 1:29; 1 Corinthians 5:7) - "Only son" (Genesis 22:2; John 3:16).

Joseph (Genesis 37-50): Points to the rejected son, given up by his brothers to suffer as a slave, just as the Jews rejected Jesus (Genesis 37:18-28; Isaiah 53:3; John 1:11). Yet he still loves enough to save them, showing how Jesus saved people through His suffering (Genesis 50:20; John 3:17).

Moses (Deuteronomy 18:15): The great deliverer, leaving pleasure to identify with God's plan. Sent like Jesus to set free those in bondage to sin—Prophet/messenger, a "sent one" like Jesus (Acts 3:22-23; 7:37). Mediator of the old covenant (Exodus 32:11-14; Hebrews 12:24).

The list goes on. Many years later, I discovered that through the institution of the Church, born after the resurrection of Christ Jesus and the coming of

the Holy Spirit to indwell man, I am in that grand plan of the Father. To sing all the praises of the Lord forever... I will sing all the praises of the Lord with my mouth wherever I go and tell the world of His faithfulness to all generations. I will sing of His goodness and His mercies. This is my hallelujah. So yes, this Resurrection Sunday, my heart is filled with gratitude. Hallelujah.

I AM GRATEFUL for Life. The life of Christ in me, a life that is eternal. This life is now in me. I was dead in sin; my old sin nature controlled me until He finished the work when He died, was buried, and rose again from the dead. Now I am no longer dead in sin but alive in Christ Jesus. The life I live is no longer I who lives, but Christ who lives in me. Hallelujah!

I AM GRATEFUL for grace. I can come boldly into my Father's presence anytime I want. I can rest there because of the finished work of Christ. I can obtain grace in His presence for help in time of need. Awesome. No more waiting for a chief priest. I am now the royal priesthood, a chosen generation. Hallelujah!

I AM GRATEFUL for being made righteous. I can live a right life. I can be perfect, holy, fruitful. I can make right choices. I can be free to do what He has called me to do because of His imputed righteousness credited to me through the blood of Jesus at the finished work of the cross. Hallelujah!

I AM GRATEFUL for my new identity in Christ Jesus. I am a new creature. There is therefore now no condemnation. I have power to walk in the Spirit. No more law of sin and death operating, only the law of the Spirit of life working in me. Hallelujah.

So, come on my soul, oh! don't you get shy on me, lift up your song, 'cause you have a lion inside of those lungs, get up and praise the Lord...hooooohooooo, so, I will throw up my hands and praise you again and again, cause all that I have is a Hallelujah... Hallelujah...!



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