



Lifegate

Outreach Centre...Imparting Abundant Life

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Impacts and Impartations...

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I want to thank God Almighty for His faithfulness and grace in my life and family. It's been five years of being a member of Lifegate church, and my heart is filled with gratitude.

Over these years, God has done so much for me and my family. He has kept me in His love, sustained us through trials, lifted us in times of weakness, settled us in this land, and surrounded us with brothers and sisters

who have encouraged us in various ways. Through the teaching of His word, fellowship, and prayers, my faith has grown stronger.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve, to learn, and to be moulded by God's Spirit in this church. I thank Him for spiritual growth, career growth, and countless testimonies that remind me of His unfailing love. Truly, I have seen that being planted in the house of the Lord causes us to flourish. I give God all the glory for what He has done and for what He is yet to do in our lives. May my life continue to be a testimony of His goodness, and may I remain steadfast in His service for many more years to come. Amen! — **Bro. Godspower.**

Lifegate Outreach Centre has been, not only a church, but a community and a family to me. I have known this church as long as I can remember right from when I was barely 3 years old, it has been the place where I go to God whenever I need His help but also the place where I have been able to praise Him freely. But most importantly it's a place where everyday, I do my best to commit myself to Jesus and to know Him better whether it is Sunday School teachings downstairs, or end of month presentations. Even at home, when I want to

learn more about God, I usually put on Spotify and listen to the Pastor's message whether its pastor David or other pastors. That is why Lifegate is a community of people of purity, power, purpose, and prosperity. Happy 12th anniversary Lifegate. I hope that as you touched my heart to get to know God better, may God allow you to bless many more in Jesus name.

—Israel Okeyinka



Lifegate Church has walked with me through so many seasons of life, offering support, encouragement, and a place to grow in my faith. One of the greatest blessings it has given me is the gift of friendships that have truly become family. I'm deeply grateful for the lasting impact Lifegate continues to have on my journey.

— B. Lade

I have been a church girl all my life and I can tell you why Lifegate stands out. As a church, Lifegate gives more than it takes, as a family, it looks out after its own. As a community, the same love which flows from leadership encompasses all. There is more emphasis on the word of God, with focus on individual's personal relationship with God. The unique ways Lifegate brings to serving God make a lot of difference because then you can grow in faith, and advance in career at the

same time. For the first time, I am experiencing fellowshiping without conditions attached, genuine love regardless of status or achievements, and I am happy that God made me encounter Lifegate.

— Bunmi F.



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Professor David Oloke is a man of many parts; he is an academic, currently the head of School of Engineering at Anglia Ruskin University.

He is an author of many books, a father to three wonderful children, a husband to the delectable Pastor Lola, and most importantly, a preacher of the word of God, a position he is most proud of. He is the Pastor / Centre Director of Lifegate Outreach Centre where he preaches the word of God systematically and consistently in the unique ways God has mandated him to do. He is also the Director of Lifegate Communities where leaders are being groomed and communities impacted. LifePublishers recently met Pastor Oloke for an interview.

Excerpts...

Q. Looking back over the past 12 years, what key highlights stand out in Lifegate Outreach Centre's journey?

A. Hmmm, just thankful to God for helping us to remain consistent. The Vision objectives have been clear from the first day, and the mission of Lifegate, imparting abundant life, and the vision to raise for God, a people of purity, power, purpose, and prosperity have all been very clear ever clear since the beginning, and we've consistently, through the twelve years, been able to keep to that mandate as God has been giving us in diverse guises. So, I think it does stand out as a highlight, and we consistently add our main programs from the beginning, in terms of outreach and the things we do. This journey has been one of God's faithfulness, just helping us to keep to the mandate, so we are grateful.

Q. On this anniversary, what are you most grateful to God for?

A. I particularly like to thank God for strength. I want to thank God for his wisdom, His presence, and for the gift of men and women. On this particular anniversary, when I look back, I see the various incredible giftings that God has sent to us, is still sending to us, and we continue to grow along these lines. The work is being done because we have so many wonderfully talented people who are just bringing their talents to bear in many ways. So, I'm very grateful to God. And above all we thank God for His presence that continue to make the difference in us and through us.

Q. Our theme is "The Increasing Church." Why is this especially significant now?

A. Now, the increasing church was inspired as part of the season that we're in, the **Covenant Season of Divine Increase**,

and God's word to us concerning increasing church is to be the



Acts church that is born of the power of God, but continue to increase. The Bible says, 'and the church increased daily'. God is interested in the increase of the church, not just in numerical strength, but like we saw in the book of Acts, the church increased economically, socially, spiritually, physically, and numerically, therefore this is that season. This is the time, and we are thankful to God that He's positioning us as that increasing church in this covenant season of divine increase.

Q. How do you see Lifegate Outreach Centre growing in service to Walsall and beyond in the years ahead?

A. By the grace of God, I want to trust God that He will continue to be with us and continue to inspire, and direct us as he's

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always done. I trust God to continue to supply us with the gifts, ministry gifts, and vocational gifts, all those gifts that we celebrate in our midst all the time. In terms of how we will grow to service, and bringing these gifts together, creating new ideas, developing our estate, first and foremost, utilizing it in more creative ways than we've ever done as we move ahead, God helping us, we will be reaching beyond as we have been engaging with the Commonwealth, and we will be trusting God to engage with more internationally inclined programs that will allow us to extend our reach, both in social media space and, of course, in the physical space. By the grace of God, we will trust God for the wisdom and the abilities to be doing this.

Q. What is your prayer and message of encouragement for the church family?

A. The Lord bless you, the Lord keep you. May he make His face shine upon you. May the Lord be gracious unto you, may the Lord be wonderful to you, may the mighty hand of God continue to rest upon you, may the God that you serve in Lifegate continue to be your God indeed. May He continue to express Himself to you, may He express Himself through you, may He express Himself for you. May all your challenges and situations of life that confront you melt continuously at the presence of the Lord your God. May the Lord establish you in righteousness, may the Lord establish you in power, may the Lord establish you in your divine purpose and calling, and may the Lord continue to prosper you in all your ways, good health, soundness of mind, boldness is your portion. The Lord bless you in Jesus name, Amen.

Appreciating the Lifegate Workforce

I will like to appreciate God for the gift of faithful men and women in Lifegate, ever since the ministry started in 2013, God has been gracious and kind to the assignment by sending great men and women of great reputation, high integrity, dedication, devotion to duty, and in many ways, of great virtue. I am extremely grateful to God for this, because there is no way a man could make that happen. I would like to appreciate God for all the pastors who were present at the beginning of the ministry and for their hard work and how God used them to help to pray and lead the very nascent aspects of the work. I would like to thank God for all the church workers who served as leaders in various departments at the beginning of the ministry, those who helped to shape the various LifeTeams — LifeKidids, LifeMen, LifeLadies, LifeClean, LifeUsh-

ers. LifeSingers, LifeProtocol, LifeKitchen, Lifegate Communities, and many other Life Teams that have evolved over the years. In recent times, we established LifePublications, it is a wonderful thing to see that God has been helping us in these ways more than we could ever ask or think. We have a LifePantry team who look after the things that we buy and use for the church. We have Life Event and Decoration Team who always make sure that the halls are looking beautiful. I want to appreciate everyone who has been contributing their times and resources to those departments. The Lifegate workforce is clearly God ordained, and as we are moving forward, forming newer teams, looking after our estates, protocols, and matters that will continue to need attention, my prayer is that God will continue to make us like the Acts Church, the Apostolic church that had the wisdom of God to separate serving of tables from the ministry of the word and prayer, and yet bringing it all into the same space.

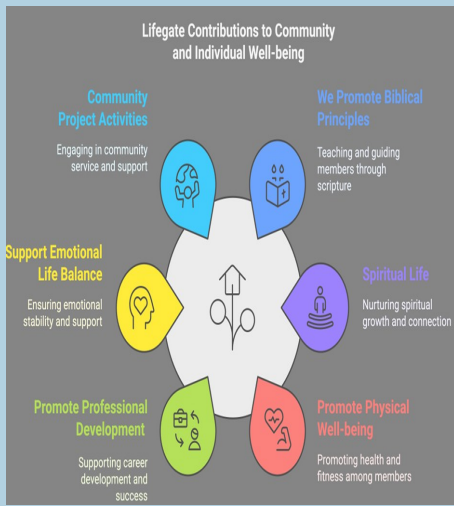
I would particularly like to thank everyone who is very active in Lifegate communities, our arm's length organization, running our community projects so effectively. In recent times, we have quadrupled the volume of work we do through Lifegate Communities, and God has been showing the potential of increasing trajectories of more victories and more grounds to cover. I'm extremely grateful to God for His favours in helping us in these ways, and particularly, for the great gifts of excellent men and women, who are dedicatedly serving voluntarily in these capacities, helping to make the work advance. We are truly thankful. May the Lord continue to bless and increase everyone indeed in Jesus name.

Last, but not the least, I must appreciate the grace of God for members of my immediate family, my darling wife, Pastor Lola Oloke, who serves in a full ride in her capacity as a Pastor, and my sons and daughter, who have been very supportive and helpful ever since the ministry started. I also want to appreciate God for our current pastoral leadership team, a group of very many wonderful men and women who work alongside one another to help ensure that all the teams are properly coordinated and given the opportunity to thrive. I am extremely grateful, and I pray that God will continue to Increase everyone accordingly in Jesus name, Amen.

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Lifegate Communities



By Elohor Irikefe

And You.

What is Lifegate Communities about?

What is Lifegate Communities about? Lifegate Communities is a non-profit, community-driven initiative dedicated to charitable works by empowering individuals and families to thrive. Rooted in values of compassion, service, and transformation, Lifegate Communities exists to create safe spaces where people can grow in confidence, build meaningful relationships and access the support they need to live healthier, more fulfilling lives.

At the heart of Lifegate Communities is a commitment to holistic well-being. Through a wide range of programmes, including children and youth clubs, projects targeted at supporting families and entire communities, the organisation seeks to meet practical needs while fostering personal growth. Whether it's offering health, social or educational interventions, Lifegate Communities projects share a common goal - they are aimed at reaching out to our communities and helping us build more cohesive communities. By providing fully participative community-based engagement activities, we strive to bring people closer, reduce isolation, and promote stronger families.

Who can be involved?

Lifegate Communities is open to everyone who shares a passion for building stronger, healthier neighbourhoods. Families, young people, and children can take part in fun, engaging activities that promote growth and connection. Volunteers are always welcome—whether helping with community events, mentoring young people, or supporting our local initiatives. Organisations, schools, and businesses can also partner with us to bring valuable resources and opportunities to the communities we support. Lifegate Communities thrives on collaboration, and every skill, idea, and helping hand makes a difference. Whether you want to participate, volunteer, partner or fund our initiatives, there's a place for you at Lifegate Communities.

Impact in the community

Lifegate Communities is making a meaningful difference by creating spaces and opportunities where families and individuals feel supported, valued, and connected. Through a wide range of initiatives—such as children's holiday clubs, Health and wellness programmes, Climate action, and family-focused events—Lifegate Communities addresses real needs while

fostering a sense of belonging. Also, our commitment to Equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI), implementing sustainable development goals, climate action, and promoting STEM among disadvantaged communities helps to bridge gaps created by inequalities.

Our projects, which include the Walsall HAF, BBC Children-in-Need holiday club, FitKids and FitGenNext, Commonwealth Games Legacy Sports fair, West Africa and Walsall Heritage connections, Walsall Energy Action Project, have supported individuals and families in many practical ways. Children and young people enjoy safe and creative environments to grow, and families are drawn into a wider network of support to thrive through social connections, health improvement education, energy-saving interventions. Projects like the FitLife Food Initiative not only provide an opportunity to learn how to grow nutritious meals but also promote healthier lifestyles and save the environment green gas from food waste. Community gatherings, from annual BBQs, family, fun days and sports fair, help reduce isolation and build friendships across generations.

By combining practical support with a spirit of hospitality, Lifegate Communities has become a vital presence—bringing hope, joy, and togetherness to the community it serves.

What have we Achieved

Lifegate Communities has made a meaningful impact by creating opportunities that strengthen families, empower young people, and support healthier lifestyles. Through initiatives such as the **FitLife Food Initiative**, the organisation addresses current and future food security by providing healthy and sustainable food education. Our **Holiday Club** has offered children and young people safe, fun, and creative spaces during school breaks; a nurturing, empowering, social and personal development environment for young minds.

Lifegate has combated social isolation, fostered strong community bonds, reduced the impact of poverty and social inequalities, and reached underserved communities. Beyond programmes, one of its greatest achievements is cultivating a spirit of belonging and hope—helping individuals discover their potential and encouraging resilience. By combining practical support with inclusive community-building, Lifegate Communities continues to be a trusted hub of care, learning, and transformation. Not forgetting our family events, workshops, cultural and heritage activities and seasonal celebrations that bring people together across different generations.

A call for collaboration.

Through our initiatives, from family support programs to food and wellness projects, we are creating spaces where individuals feel valued, connected, and empowered to grow.

We are inviting organisations, businesses, and individuals to collaborate with us in expanding our reach and impact. Whether it's volunteering your time, offering professional expertise, or partnering with us on projects that benefit children, families, and vulnerable groups, your involvement can make a lasting difference.

Collaboration with Lifegate Communities means being part of a movement that transforms lives, strengthens neighbourhood bonds, and builds hope for the future. Together, we can nurture healthier families and stronger communities. If you share our vision, we'd love to work with you. Let's make change happen together.