



FREEDOM CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2025

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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Thursdays at 6:15 p.m.

Worship Service**EVERY SUNDAY AT 10 A.M.****Nursery & Children's Activities**

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MARK

Hi friends,

As you likely know, we are in a month-long season of prayer for our ongoing church-planting efforts in Nigeria and also for how each of us can be involved in supporting this mission. We have three goals that we are pursuing in Nigeria as we go into the fall.

First, we want to finish and furnish the new church buildings at our two newest Freedom Church International campuses in Edo state (Agenebode and Benin City). The buildings are near completion, so the primary task will be to furnish them and to have water wells and cistern systems installed on each campus to provide clean water for both the church and people in the community. The cost to do these things is approximately \$15,000,

Second, we have an urgent need to construct a church building at our Lagos 2 campus where the church has been meeting in rented space for more than two years. The landlord wants the building back, so we need to very quickly put a new facility in place for this young, growing congregation. Land has already been purchased, so now we need to construct a new building and install a water well system. The cost for this project will be at least \$45,000.

And third, we want to financially bless our sister church in Nigeria, *God's Standard Bible Church*, which is led by our own Pastor Isaiah and Mama K. *God's Standard* graciously spent \$120,000 this year to purchase the three pieces of property in Edo and Lagos states and has paid for construction of two new building at our two newest campus sites in Edo state. We want to bless them in return! That is why we have committed to give *God's Standard Bible Church* half of all the money that we raise in September and over the next 12 months in our Nigeria capital campaign.

We are praying toward a miraculous outpouring of generosity on **September 14th**, our **Commitment Sunday**. Our goal is that \$120,000 will be raised in the form of one-time, above-the-tithe gifts and 12-month commitments so that we can accomplish all that is described above. That is a HUGE God-size goal, but I believe that we will see it happen by God's grace!

**PASTOR MARK PRICE****CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE...**

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MARK CONTINUED...

I am asking you to consider taking part in this project in two different ways. First, please pray daily for God to bless our new churches and pastoral leaders in Nigeria. Secondly, prayerfully consider what you could give as a one-time “first fruits” offering on September 14th, and/or what you could commit as a monthly above-the-tithe offering for the next 12 months to help accomplish these things. As we pray and give together, we will continue to see countless people reached and **God will receive much glory!**

BIBLE READING PLAN

Sept. 1 - 6.....*John 5 - 10*
Sept. 7 - 13.....*John 11 - 17*
Sept. 14 - 20.....*John 18 - 21; Genesis 1 - 3*
Sept. 21 - 27.....*Genesis 4 - 10*
Sept. 28 - 30.....*Genesis 11 - 13*

You Are Loved,
Pastor Mark

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE BAPTIZED?
Sunday, September 7th

Immediately following worship on Sunday, September 7th, we will go to the Fairhope Rec Center Pool to baptize several people who want to profess their faith in Christ publicly. If you, or any member of your family, would like to be baptized, please contact a church staff member or mark it on your Connection Card during worship. Also, **please plan to join us as we celebrate these who are being baptized!**

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2025

1-5
MON-FRI

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
Have a safe holiday!

SMALL GROUP OFF WEEK
Small groups will resume next week.

7
SUN

BAPTISM CELEBRATION
12:00 pm at Fairhope Rec Center Pool

14
SUN

COMMITMENT SUNDAY
10:00 am Worship Service

COMMUNION
10:00 am Worship Service

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SUN

CORE TEAM & GROUP LEADERS MEETING
4:30 pm Grace Room

NIGHT OF PRAISE
6:00 pm Worship Room

NIGHT OF PRAISE
Sunday, September 28th at 6:00 pm

Join us for a special **Night of Praise** - a powerful evening set apart to worship the Lord together through music. This will be a time to celebrate God’s goodness, declare His faithfulness, and allow the Holy Spirit to move in our hearts in a fresh way. Whether you need encouragement, want to rejoice with your church family, or simply desire to draw closer to God, this night is for you! Bring a friend, bring your voice, and come ready to lift high the name of Jesus... because **He is worthy of all our praise!**

"But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning. For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress."

-Psalms 59:16

JOIN THE PRAYER TEAM

Sunday Mornings at 9:00 am

Before the worship service begins, something powerful is already happening in our building... **prayer**. Each Sunday morning at 9:00 am, our Prayer Team gathers at the Kids Counter to cover every part of the church in prayer. Together, we walk the halls and lift up the sanctuary, classrooms, volunteers, and every heart that will enter the doors. *This team's purpose is simple but mighty: to invite God's presence, protection, and blessing over the entire church campus and every person who serves or attends.*

By joining, you'll have the opportunity to pray with others, strengthen your own faith, and be part of preparing the atmosphere for God to move. If you feel a tug on your heart to intercede for others and to partner with God in this way, we'd love for you to join us. Come a little early on Sunday, meet us at the Kids Counter, and take part in this meaningful ministry! For more information, feel free to reach out to Johnny and Michelle Williamson. ***Prayer changes everything!***

KIDS WORLD IS GROWING

Come join the fun...

Kids World celebrated Move-Up Day last month, and what a joy it was to see so many children moving into their new classrooms! We are truly blessed to have a church filled with growing families and excited kids who are eager to learn more about Jesus each week. With that growth comes an incredible opportunity - **Kids World is looking for more volunteers** to join our team!

Serving in Kids World is more than just helping in a classroom; it's about making a lasting impact in the lives of children by showing them the love of Christ, teaching them God's Word, and helping them build friendships that can last a lifetime. Whether you enjoy rocking babies, leading worship songs, teaching Bible stories, or simply offering a friendly smile and helping hands, there's a place for you in this ministry.

If you would like to be part of this fun and rewarding team, please reach out to Mrs. Sabrina at sabrina@myfreedomchurch.net or stop by the Kids World desk on Sunday mornings. Together, we can continue building a strong foundation of faith for the next generation!



A CALL TO SERVE

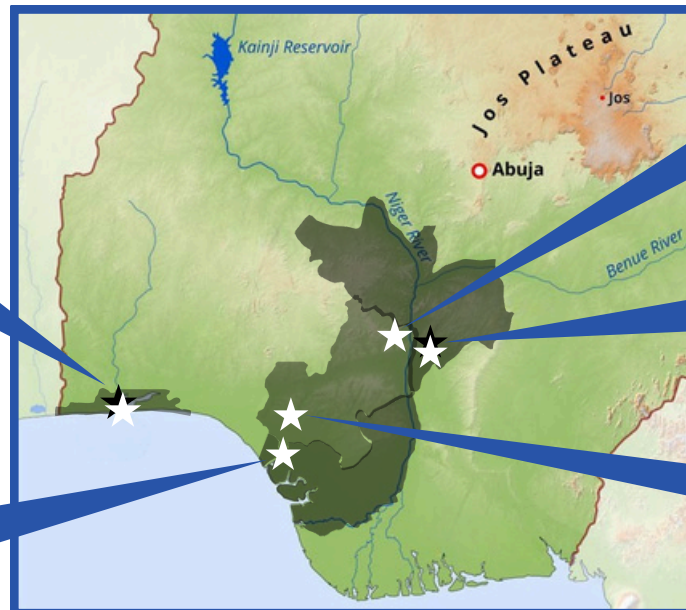
Helping Families in Need

Scripture reminds us of **our calling to care for widows and the fatherless**, and one of the most impactful ways we can live that out is by sharing the gifts God has already placed in our hands. Whether it's your time, your skills, or your resources, what you have to offer can be a lifeline to someone in need.

Simple acts- like repairing a leaky faucet, changing a car's oil, or helping with household projects- can become powerful expressions of God's love. **These small but meaningful gestures bring hope**, comfort, and practical support to families navigating life without a husband or father. When we serve in love, we remind others they are not alone- and that the Church is here to help carry the load.

If you feel called to serve, or if your family could use help, please **reach out to Bob Shotlander** at shotsy80@hotmail.com or call (251) 367-3166. Let's be the hands and feet of Christ, together.

NIGERIA CAMPUS MAP



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Lagos 1

Lagos State

Lagos is a city of 25 million people, having the largest black population on earth. This campus recently started a mini-satellite campus.

Facility: Rented space (land has been purchased and water well funds are available)
Average Attendance: 250-300

Campus Pastors:
Pastors Alex & Favour Kadiri

Agenebode

Edo State

Located in a very Muslim community of 2,000 people, our campus pastor is having to learn a new language to minister to people in this area.

Facility: Land, building has started
Average Attendance: 100+

Campus Pastors:
Pastor Emmanuel Atabo

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Benin City

Edo State

Benin City has 1.5 million people and is considered the informal center of idolatry in Nigeria. Our two pastors, along with their families, share a two-bedroom apartment.

Facility: Land, building has started
Average Attendance: 100+

Campus Pastors:
Pastors Gabriel & Jonathan Okutepe

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2025

Lagos 2

Lagos State

Facility: Land, building needed
Average Attendance: 120-150

Campus Pastors:
Pastors Francis & Perfect Effiong

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Idah 1

Kogi State

The city of Idah consists of a mixed population with more Muslims than Delta State.

Facility: Land, water well, and building
Average Attendance: 180-200

Campus Pastors:
Joel (lead), Simon, & Joseph

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2021

Idah 2

Kogi State

This campus was a spontaneous offshoot of the Idah 1 campus, starting in a school building. It is our fastest growing campus.

Facility: Land, water well, and building
Average Attendance: 350-400

Campus Pastors:
Pastors Attah & Phillip

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Sapele

Delta State

This campus serves as a training ground for new pastors of future church plants.

Facility: Land, water well, and building
Average Attendance: 350-400

Campus Pastors:
Ezekiel & Favour Anedo
Assoc. Pastor & Medical Outreach:
Dr. Ofufo
Women's Ministry & Administration:
Comfort Charles
Children's Ministry & Head of Ushers:
Favour
Worship & Youth Pastor:
Michael
Other Leaders:
Ministers Bassey, Silas, Amadi, Charity, & Kent




There's an App for Freedom!

A Better Way To:

- stay informed of events with the **calendar**
- schedule a **tithe** or make a one-time offering
- share a **prayer** request
- chat with members and leaders in your **group**
- **contact** staff and ask questions
- follow along with the **Bible Reading Plan**
- link to **sermons**

Scan the QR code or click [HERE](#) to get the new Church Center app.






Titling

ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS

Did you know you can tithe online? If you would like to give in a digital form, please click [HERE](#) or scan the QR code.



Sermon Library

LISTEN TO PAST SERMONS

If you are going to miss church, be sure to check out Pastor Mark's sermon by clicking [HERE](#).



Nigeria Overseers Pastor Isaiah Kadiri and Mama K (Christiana)

FAIRHOPE STAFF

Pastor.....	Mark Price
Worship and Young Adult Pastor.....	Faith Chatten
Associate Pastor.....	John Beck
Student Pastors.....	Stone and Caroline Keener
Children's Pastor.....	Lyn Davison
Preschool Pastor.....	Sabrina Ankerson
Recovery Pastors.....	John and Salley Beck
Online Media Engineer.....	Dave Wilson
Sound Engineer.....	Nick Wilson
Ministry Assistant.....	Joanna Sides

NIGERIA STAFF

Nigeria Campus Overseer.....	Apostle Isaiah Kadiri
Sapele Campus.....	Pastors Ezekiel & Favour
Lagos 1 Campus.....	Pastors Alex & Favour
Lagos 2 Campus.....	Pastors Francis & Perfect
Idah 1 Campus.....	Pastors Joel, Simon, and Joseph
Idah 2 Campus.....	Pastors Attah and Phillip
Agenebode.....	Pastor Emmanuel
Benin City.....	Pastors Gabriel and Jonathan

ELDERS

John Beck	Chris Perry
Nancy Emmons	Mark Price

TRUSTEES

Mike Sappington (Treasurer)	Randy Parkison
Tony Maniscalco	Ken Quattlebaum
Rick Miller	



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