

## PRAISE ITEMS

- We thank the Lord for the first anniversary Service at Solwezi Chapel on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April which was attended by twelve believers from Kitwe.
- We are thankful to the Lord for the Easter Conference, which was hosted by Nkana East Chapel, where He challenged us concerning the area of giving.
- The Youth Camp went well despite some challenges. We thank the Lord for Dr Conrad Mbewa's teaching on the second coming of the Lord.
- The Holiday Bible Week went well and we grateful to the Lord for the grace he gave to teachers and students and the believers who came to help.
- We are thankful to the Lord for the faithful ministry of the word during the month of April

## ◇ FORTH COMING EVENTS

- Men Fellowship 6<sup>th</sup> May at The Chiyengis
- Mother's day Service 14<sup>th</sup> May
- Kitwe Bible College 20<sup>th</sup> May
- Ladies meetings 27<sup>th</sup> May at 6642 Hippo (Musondas)

### CHURCH LEADERS

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Jesus Christ is Lord

Phil 2:11

## NKANA EAST CHAPEL



### CHURCH MEETINGS

<b>Saturday Worship</b>	<b>06:00hrs</b> Men's prayer meeting at church
	<b>14:00hrs</b> Youth meeting at church
	<b>14:00hrs</b> (2nd or 3rd Saturday of the month) Ladies meeting
<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<b>09:00hrs</b> Breaking of bread, Sunday School & Bible Class
	<b>10:00hrs</b> Family Service
	<b>16:30hrs</b> Evening Service

### Tuesday/Thursday/Friday

Bible/prayer meeting in House Groups on different days

### PULPIT MINISTRY – MAY, 2017

DATE	MORNING		EVENING	
07/05/17	Ephesians 6:1-4	Ps Simon Banda	Joshua 10	Mr. L. Chisha
14.05.17	Mother's day Service	Ps Simon Banda	Joshua 11	Ps Simon Banda
21.05.17	Ephesians 6:5-9	Dr. Felix Kalaba	Joshua 12	Mr. P. Mbewa
28.05.17	Evangelis- tic Mes- sage	PIZ Promotion	Joshua 13	Ps Simon Banda

# TRUE REPENTANCE

## What is true Repentance?

Repentance is an act that happens when God changes the heart of many and makes him to realize his Sins before God, and causes him to cry out in deep desperation God to save him. Repentance is by NO means initiated by man, it is not a feeling of sorrowfulness.

## Repentance has in it three things.

1. *The Formal act of repentance is a changing and converting.* It is often illustrated in scripture by turning. "Turn thou me, and I shall be turned," says Ephraim; 'after that I was turned, I repented; says he (Jer 31:18-19). It is a turning from darkness to light

2. *The subject changed and concerted is the whole man-* it is both the seiner's heart and life; first his heart, then his life; first his person, then his practice and conversion, wash you, make you clean, there is the change of their persons;,, 'put away your evils doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do well' ( Isaiah 1:16-17);there is the change of their practices. So "cast away" says Ezekiel, 'all your transgressions whereby you have transgressed; there is the change of their life, 'and make you a new heart and a new spirit', there is the change of the heart.

3. *The terms of this change and conversion, from which and to which both heart and life must be changed, from sin t God..* The heart must be changed from the state and power of sin, the life from the acts of sin, but both unto God, the heart to be under his power in state of grace, the life to be under his rule in all new obedience, as the apostle speaks, 'to open their eyes and t turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of sin unto god (Acts 26:18). So the prophet Isaiah says, 'Let the wicked forsake his ways, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, let his return unto the Lord' (Isaiah 55:7)

Thus repentance is not a matter of merely changing one's attitude through human effort, it is not a matter of just says a prayer and off you go. Repentance is changing the whole aspect of man, through the working of the Holy spirit that enables man to cry out to God for forgiveness of his sins. "Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, everyone according to his ways, says the Lord God. repent and turn yourselves from your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin; Herod turned fro many, but turned not from his Herodias, which was his ruin, Judas turned from all visible wickedness, yet he would not cast out that golden devil covetousness, and therefore was cast into the hottest place in hell. He that turns not from every sin, turns not aright from any sin. Every sin strikes at the honor of God, the being of God, the glory of God, the heart of Christ, the joy of the spirit, and the peace of man's conscience, and therefore a soul truly a soul truly penitent strikes at all, hates all, conflicts with all, and will labor to draw strength from the crucified Christ to crucify all. A true penitent knows neither father nor mother, neither right eye nor left, but will pluck out the one and cut off the other. Saul spared Agag, and that cost him his soul and his kingdom (1Sam 15:9)

It is not enough that the tree bears not ill fruit, but it must bring forth good fruit, else it be cut down and cast into fire (Luke 13:7). So it is not enough that you are not thus and this wicked, but you must be thus and thus gracious and good, else divine justice will put the axe of divine vengeance to the root of your souls, and cut you off forever. 'Every tree that brings not forth good fruit is cut down and cast into the fire' (Matt 3:10).

Also true repentance includes a sensibleness of sin's mischievousness; how it cast angles out of heaven, and Adam out of paradise; how it laid the first corner stone in hell, and brought in all the curses, crosses and mistakes men liable to all temporal, spiritual and eternal wrath, how it has made men Godless, Christ less, hopeless and heaven less.

Further, true repentance does include sorrow for sin, contrition of heart. It breaks the heart with sighs, and sobs and groans, for that a loving God and father is by sin offended, a blessed Savoir crucified afresh, and the sweet comforter, the Spirit, grieved and vexed.

Again true repentance does include, not only a loathing of sin, but also s loathing of ourselves for sin. As a man does not only loathe poison, but he loathes himself, the vessel that has the smell of it; so Ezekiel 20:43 'And there shall you remember your ways and all your doings, wherein you have been defiled; and you shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that you have committed.'

Thus repentance strips us start naked of all the garments of the old Adam, and leaves not so much as a shirt behind.' in this rotten building it leaves not a stone upon a stone. As the flood drowned Noah's own friends and servants, so must the flood of repenting tears drown our sweetest and most profitable sins.

## ◇ PRAYER ITEMS

- Those not well, Mrs Mulela, Mrs Njovu, and Mr. Kasongo (Jumen's father)
- Dr. Kalaba will be away during the first week of May
- The ministry of the word of the Lord during the month of May
- Those bereaved recently, The Chipilis, The Lambas, The Mwinilambas, The Milambos, The Silombas and The Katembas.
- For the peace and unity in the nation of Zambia