

In addition, we should continue to provide **essential baits** such as relevant tracts, books, electronic messages in their area of concern towards getting our targets out of darkness into the marvellous light of Christ.

This operation is a 3-fold one and everyone should engage as follows:

- ✓ Raise an effectual fervent prayer altar for the salvation of our targets — *Luk.11:21-23*
- ✓ Embark on a passionate pursuit after souls — *1 Cor. 9:16-17/20-22*
- ✓ Continue to offer compelling invitation to our services to our targets for their salvation and breakthrough — *Luk. 14:17-23*

As we all know, prizes are only won at the end of a race and only those who truly press for the prize ever wins the race as Paul said, **“I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus”** — *Phi. 3:14*

This prophetic direction is without prejudice to all the ongoing specialised outreaches, such as mini crusades, marketplace evangelism, street corner outreaches, etc.

The Holy Ghost is simply saying that as we look around us, we shall see the overripe harvest of souls crying for rescue. Remember, when God leads, He backs up the led to deliver. We are set for the greatest harvest of all times till date in this season. Expect your open rewards as you deliver!

To this end, I hereby declare the flag-off of ‘Operation Hit Your Targets’, between Monday, March 13 to Sunday, April 30, 2023; in pursuit of the full delivery of the ongoing prophetic weeks of harvest ordained to deliver minimum 4 times the size of every assembly in this commission worldwide, on or before April 30, 2023, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen!

Jesus is Lord!

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Declaring Operation HIT YOUR TARGETS

*...“I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air”...
—1 Cor. 9:24-27 (26)*

While asking from the Lord what His plan is for the last 7 weeks of the ongoing prophetic weeks of harvest, the following scriptural pictures came through by inspiration:

We saw how Peter, having laboured all night and caught nothing, heeding the instruction of Christ to cast his net into the deep, against all fishing strategies for a massive catch. Peter obeyed and caught a great multitude of fishes and he had to beckon on another boat for help. The two boats were filled, and both began to sink. It was at the word of the Lord that the fishes rushed into his net and the net began to break — *Luk. 5:5-8*

On another occasion, after His resurrection, Christ under cover, appeared to His disciples while struggling to catch fish for food and asked, **“children, have ye any meat?”** They answered him, **“No.”** Then He directed them to cast their nets on the right side of the boat, they did, and caught a great multitude of fishes. Note that the fishes were right where they were, it is all about engaging by following His instruction — *Jhn. 21:5-6*

You will recall how Christ described every soul winner as a **‘fisher’** of men — *Mat. 4:19*

All we need is to look around us as individuals and we will find people who are seeking for the way

out, people who are about to give up on life, some are set to go after the devil for the worst etc. This is why we must move fast before the devil preys on them — *Jude. 1:22-23*

We will also recall how Christ told His disciples not to go into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans but to go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. This was how he directed them to go where the harvest were — *Mat. 10:5-6*

We also saw how Jesus said to His disciples, **“do not say it is 3 months and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.”** This is how ripe all those around us are, for harvest, if we will only look away from our issues and focus on the needs of these people for salvation — *Jhn. 4:35-36*

The Holy Spirit is asking every member of this church:

- Target a neighbour.
- Target a colleague at work.
- Target a friend.
- Target a co-business owner, client, customer etc.
- Target a service provider which includes: our electricians, plumbers, motor mechanics, cooks, gardeners, cleaners, barbers, hairdressers etc... Some of these individuals may never have heard the gospel or invited to church to meet with Christ.
- Target those who look up to us for help, those who come our way for counsel, those who are disenchanted about life, those who are indebted to us and are scared of us, those who may be grieved by the loss of loved ones, those who are challenged in their business and career, etc, etc.
- We should also target challenged winners who are about to or have already thrown in the towel and turned their backs on God, for their salvation and restoration — *Luk. 15:4-7*
- Prayerfully make a list of such individuals today and begin to pray for their rescue by name, while at the same time pray for wisdom for strategic approach with the Word.

As we are all aware, every child of God is ordained a soul winner — *Jhn. 15:16/2 Cor. 5:17-20*

We are called to fish out men into the kingdom, out of the sea of men around us — *Eph. 2:5-8/ Eph.1:20-21*

The fishes are right where we live, we may not have to go about, they are all around us in our neighbourhood, workplaces, market and business places etc.

Most of these individuals are ordained unto eternal life by being around us, just as Joseph was sent before the children of Israel for their deliverance and preservation, as it is written, **“.....And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.”** — *Gen. 45:4-7*

Remember, we are the light of the world, and as men see our light, they will give glory to our God and follow us to church to worship Him – *Mat. 5:14*

God once said to Paul, **“fear not for I have much people for you in this city.”** God truly has much people for us in this place, we must pull them out of fire into the kingdom — *Act. 18:10/Jude. 1:20-23*

- Furthermore, the bible demands that just as a soul winner who is a fisherman must be wise to catch fishes, so he that wins souls must be wise — *Pro. 11:30*
- This implies, that the wiser we are, the more fishes we catch — *Dan. 12:3/Eccl. 10:15 / Pro. 21:22*

Remember how Philip spoke with the Ethiopian eunuch, beginning from the same scripture he was reading; we should speak to the issues of the lives of our targets in wisdom, telling them that Christ has the answer to their questions, and that they follow us to church to come and experience the goodness of the Lord regarding their matters — *Mat. 11:28-29/Psa. 34:8*

We must go after our contacts with confidence of faith for their deliverance and breakthroughs — *Phil. 3:3/Heb. 10:35-36*