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Ergates International Ministry is a Christ-Centered, non-denominational organization committed to fulfilling the great commission through evangelism, discipleship, and ministerial training. Our mission is to raise true disciples of Christ who embody the principle of the Kingdom and are equipped to impact their community with the gospel.

We are a group of Christians passionate about bringing unbelievers to the knowledge of the saving grace of our Lord Jesus of our Lord Jesus Christ and helping believers become like Jesus through the teaching of sound Biblical principles and disciples.



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EDITORIAL **Who Am I**

**BRO. WOLE
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1 Chronicles 29:14

But who am I, and who are my people, That we should be able to offer so willingly as this?

For all things come from You, And of Your own we have given You.

King David stood at the height of power, with treasures vast enough to fund a temple for God, yet his voice did not carry the weight of pride but the fragrance of wonder: "Who am I... that I should be able to give so much?" This is not the language of a poor man struggling to give; this is the utterance of a king who has seen through the illusion of ownership.

For there is a deception that quietly governs the hearts of men, the belief that what is in their hands originated from their strength. That their increase is self-made. That their abundance is deserved. But kingdom understanding shatters this arrogance in a moment, and a man begins to see that he is not a source, but a vessel; not an owner, but a steward; not a giver, but a courier delivering heaven's resources back to heaven's purposes.

David understood this, and so he said, "Of Your own have we given You." Here is where many have quietly missed the way: they give to get from God, not knowing that transactional giving is not worship and will never be accepted as such.

When a man gives to get, he has stepped out of the temple and into the marketplace. When giving becomes a negotiation, a seed for blessing, an offering for favor, a sacrifice for return, it may move men, but it does not move God. For God cannot be bought, and worship



cannot be reduced to an exchange rate. True giving does not calculate profit; it responds to revelation.

Beloved, the day you truly see that all you have is from Him, your giving will lose its struggle and gain its sanctity.

You will no longer give to impress men or to negotiate with God, but as an act of worship, pure, weightless, and full of joy.

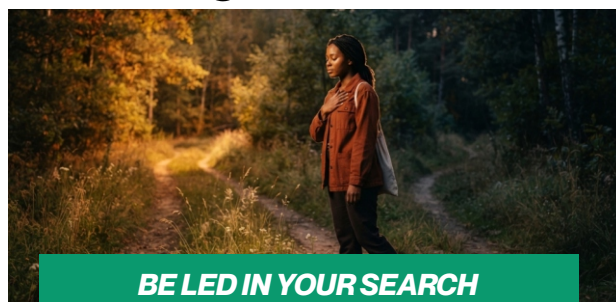
The highest form of giving is not measured by volume, but by vision. It is not how much leaves your hand, but how clearly your heart sees and responds to the will of God.

And until a man comes to this place, he may give, but he has not yet worshipped.

So ask again, not with doubt, but with revelation:

Who am I... that I should be entrusted with so much, and possess the ability to give so much?

Singles' Corner



BE LED IN YOUR SEARCH

Bro Wole Owolabi

Proverbs 10:22

The blessing of the LORD makes one rich, And He adds no sorrow with it.

My dear Son/Daughter, Before you step into the sacred covenant of marriage, I urge you, please be led. Be led by the Spirit of God, not by emotions, pressure, or appearances. Be led in your search, for not every open door is divine, and not every glittering heart is gold.

In almost every case of a turbulent or irreparable marriage I've seen, the problems didn't begin after the wedding; they started before it. Two unhealed hearts stood before the altar, dressed in love's ceremony but clothed in inner fractures. The vows were sincere, but the souls were not whole. They were broken before the union.

This is why the entry point into marriage demands caution, discernment, and sober vigilance. Marriage does not heal a person; it reveals them. It amplifies both beauty and brokenness. The love that blinds us before marriage must give way to the light that sees clearly, or that same love will become the fire that burns painfully.

God designed marriage as a union of two growing, yielding, and healing hearts, not two desperate or wounded ones seeking refuge in each other. When two broken people unite without submitting their wounds to the Healer, the altar becomes an operating table where both bleed endlessly.

And before you choose, please watch out for signs of breakage. They are easy to see if you know what to watch for. Pride disguised as confidence, bitterness masked as independence, impatience

hidden behind passion, these are early cracks that will one day demand repair.

Marriage is not merely about finding love, it's about being led by wisdom. Many have walked into a union thinking they found a partner, only to discover they had embraced a project. What could have been avoided with spiritual discernment now becomes a lifelong prayer point.

Before you say yes, pause and watch. The Holy Spirit is faithful to show you what emotions may hide. If you are attentive, you will notice the warning signs, not to condemn the person, but to protect your destiny.

Watch out for pride that refuses correction. It will later resist peace. Watch out for anger that flares easily. It will soon set your home on fire. Watch out for a lack of reverence for God's Word, because a marriage built without the fear of God cannot sustain divine love. Watch out for secrecy, manipulation, or inconsistency, the early tremors of future betrayal. Watch out for the absence of joy in serving others, for marriage is lifelong service in love.

These are not minor flaws; they are cracks in the foundation. And foundations don't repair themselves, they crumble

unless rebuilt by grace.

Before you say yes, ask: Does this person love God more than they love me? Only that kind of love can keep a marriage upright when emotions fade and trials come. If they do not honor God's authority, they will not respect yours.

Beloved, discernment is not suspicion. It is the wisdom of love guided by the Spirit. Don't rush to the altar; walk there with your eyes open and your heart anchored in Christ. The safest choice is not always the most attractive one, but it will be the most peaceful.

Wait until you are led, not lured. Be sure that what draws you is not beauty without depth, nor passion without peace. For the same Spirit who leads men into destiny also leads them into right relationships. Let the Lord be your matchmaker. He knows what you need, even when you don't. And when He brings the right person, you will not need to force, beg, or manipulate, His blessings make you rich and add no sorrow.

May you be led by the Spirit in your search, healed by grace in your waiting, and fulfilled by divine purpose in your union.

FAITH & LIFE
THE DANGER OF ADDICTION
AND THE WAY OUT
BRO. MICHAEL OLATUNJI

Addiction is one of the silent battles facing many young people today. While it is often associated with substances such as alcohol and drugs, addiction can also take the form of pornography, gambling, social media, gaming, unhealthy relationships, or any habit that gains control over a person's life.

Scripture warns against anything that masters us. In 1 Corinthians 6:12, Paul writes, "All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me,

but I will not be brought under the power of any." God created us to live under His lordship, not under the control of destructive habits.

The danger of addiction goes beyond the physical consequences. It can dull spiritual sensitivity, damage relationships, distort judgment, consume valuable time, and create a cycle of guilt and shame. What may begin as an occasional indulgence can gradually become a stronghold that influences thoughts, choices, and behaviour.

The Bible provides examples of how unchecked desires can lead to destruction. Samson's inability to govern his appetites contributed to his downfall. Esau surrendered a valuable birthright for a momentary craving. These examples remind us that yielding repeatedly to unhealthy desires carries serious consequences.

Yet Scripture also offers hope. No addiction is stronger than the power of God. Jesus Christ came to set captives free. As He declared in John 8:36, "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

The Way Out

- 1. Acknowledge the problem honestly.**
Freedom begins when we stop denying our struggle and bring it into the light before God.
- 2. Repent and seek God's help.**
True repentance involves turning away from sin and turning towards God with a sincere desire for change.

3. Fill your mind with God's Word.
Regular meditation on Scripture renews the mind and strengthens resistance against temptation.

4. Pray consistently.
Prayer is not merely a religious activity; it is dependence upon God for strength beyond our own.

5. Seek accountability.
Confide in mature believers, trusted mentors, pastors, or counsellors who can provide support, encouragement, and correction.

6. Remove sources of temptation.
Wisdom often requires practical steps. Avoid environments, content, and associations that fuel the addiction.

7. Trust God's grace daily.
Freedom is often a process. If you stumble, do not give up. Continue to seek God, relying on His mercy and power to transform your life.

Addiction may be powerful, but Christ is more powerful. No one is beyond the reach of God's grace. Through repentance, faith, prayer, and perseverance, lasting freedom is possible.

Key Scripture: "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free..." — Galatians 5:1

Reflection Question: Is there any habit, desire, or activity that is exercising control over your life more than Christ?

You and Your Mental Health
LEARNING TO BE STILL:
REST FOR A BUSY MIND
- Sis. Dayo Owolabi

Hello, beloved!
In a world that constantly demands movement, productivity, and quick responses, stillness has become unfamiliar, and for many, uncomfortable. After reflecting on overthinking and the restless mind, it is important to talk about stillness, not as inactivity, but as a vital psychological and spiritual practice.

Psychologically, stillness allows the nervous system to reset. When the mind is constantly stimulated—by worries, screens, noise, and internal pressure—the body remains in a state of heightened alert. This chronic activation fuels anxiety, irritability, fatigue, and difficulty concentrating. Learning to be still gives the brain permission to slow down, helping the body shift from survival mode into a state of calm regulation.

Stillness is not the absence of thoughts; it is the ability to pause without panic. Many people fear stillness because silence often brings unresolved emotions to the surface. Yet, avoiding stillness only strengthens restlessness. From a mental health perspective, intentional pauses create space for awareness, emotional processing, and clarity. This is where healing often begins.

Scripture invites us into this kind of stillness. Psalm 46:10 says, "Be still, and know that I am God." Notice the order:

stillness comes before knowing. When the mind quiets, trust deepens. Stillness is not withdrawal from responsibility; it is a posture of surrender, acknowledging that not everything depends on us.

Jesus modeled this flow throughout His ministry. Despite constant demands, He often withdrew to quiet places to pray. This practice was not weakness; it was wisdom. Spiritually and psychologically, stillness restores perspective, renews strength, and prevents emotional burnout.

Practicing stillness can begin with small, intentional moments, slowing your breath, sitting quietly before God, limiting distractions,

or taking short pauses throughout the day. It may feel unfamiliar at first, but with consistency, the mind learns that it is safe to rest. Over time, stillness becomes a refuge rather than a threat. Beloved, you do not have to earn rest by exhaustion. Stillness is not laziness; it is obedience to your limits. In learning to be still, you allow God to do what striving never could, which is to bring peace to your mind, clarity to your thoughts, and rest to your soul.

May you find courage to pause, grace to rest, and peace in knowing that even in stillness, God is at work.



MISSION & OUTREACHES

Widows Outreach – Dible Christian

The just-concluded June Widows Outreach was truly a glorious and impactful gathering. We witnessed an ever-increasing number of widows coming together to fellowship, to grow in the knowledge of God, and to strengthen one another in faith.

Many of these precious women have embraced the priority of God's Word, allowing it to govern their daily lives and shape their character. The testimonies shared during the outreach were both humbling and deeply encouraging, serving as living proof that God



is intimately involved in their journeys.

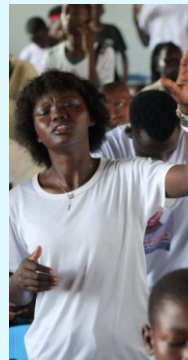
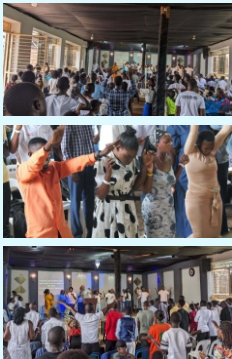
We are grateful for the mighty works He is doing in their lives, transforming hearts, restoring hope, and building a community rooted in His love. Each gathering reminds us that God is not only mindful of these women but is actively writing beautiful stories of grace and strength through them.

As we look ahead, we remain confident and thankful for what He has done and for the greater things He will yet accomplish in the lives of these precious ones.

Couples' Retreat — Theme: "Building Kingdom Marriages" This special program was held at Tick Hotels, Kawempe, Kampala, on May 9th, 2026. The retreat was marked by refreshed vows and restored joy in many homes. It was a beautiful time of fellowship, healing, and renewed commitment, as couples were encouraged and empowered to build marriages that reflect God's design—fostering unity, love, and purpose.



Youth Convention — Theme: "The Outpouring." This was another life-transforming gathering, hosted at Kingdom Builders Church, Kampala, on May 15th & 16th, 2026. The convention was specially organized for young people, with a burden as a ministry to see youth burn with passion and live wholeheartedly for Jesus in a world filled with distractions and negativity. Youth came out in great numbers, and God graciously confirmed His word by pouring out His Spirit afresh upon us all. Many experienced a powerful move of God that ignited a deeper hunger for His presence and equipped them to become carriers of revival in their generation.



A special water baptism session was also conducted for all who confessed Christ as their personal Lord and Savior, as well as for believers who had not yet experienced the blessedness of this spiritual exercise. It was a beautiful moment to behold, as these precious ones publicly identified with Christ in His death and resurrection the very significance of this sacred act.



Each program left behind testimonies of transformation, healing, and renewed commitment to God's Word. The outreach not only deepened spiritual understanding but also demonstrated God's unfailing love and His desire to raise strong witnesses in East Africa.

We are profoundly grateful for the mighty works accomplished through this mission and remain expectant of even greater things He will yet do in East Africa and beyond.

East African Mission – Dible Christian

Our just-concluded East Africa Outreach was a resounding success, filled with testimonies streaming in from different quarters. Even now, we continue to receive feedback about the transforming experiences of those whose lives were touched. Truly, God moved mightily in Uganda, our mission field for the year, and we are grateful for the impact made.

We hosted four major programs, each uniquely impactful and Spirit-led:

Minister's Conference in Entebbe — Theme: "The Kingdom of God Has Come Upon You". This gathering strengthened ministers with fresh revelation and renewed zeal for kingdom service. It was a two-day program held on April 30th and May 1st, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Afaayo Bible College Center in Entebbe, Uganda. Truly, it was a time of refreshing. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Bishop Daniels Ssekandi and the entire leadership of Afaayo Bible Church for their instrumental role in the success of this conference.



Minister's Conference in Kampala — also centered on the theme "The Kingdom of God Has Come Upon You". This gathering equipped leaders to carry the message of God's kingdom into their communities with boldness and clarity. The Word of the Lord came with transformative power, and lives were truly blessed—all to the glory of God. The two-day meeting was held on May 5th and 6th, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. daily, at Kingdom Builders Church in Wakiso District, Uganda. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Pastor Allan Kyeyune, his dear wife Mrs. Juliet Kyeyune, and the entire leadership of Kingdom Builders Church for their instrumental role in the success of this conference.



Couple's Corner
A WISE RESOLUTION
– Bro. Wole Owolabi

Ecclesiastes 4:12

**Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him.
And a threefold cord is not quickly broken.**

If only couples knew the raw, spiritual power locked inside their union. Heaven knows it. Hell knows it too. That is why homes are under constant, calculated assault. Satan is not afraid of a praying individual as much as he is scared of a united couple. Two hearts aligned, two voices agreeing, two wills submitted to God, that is dangerous territory for the enemy.

The fiercest battles in homes are almost always over the most insignificant things. A tone. A look. A delay. A forgotten task. Flimsy matters become flaming swords, not because they are weighty, but because they are weaponized. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood..." (Ephesians 6:12). Yet how easily husbands and wives turn on each other, forgetting who the real enemy is.

While we overuse our index fingers, pointing, blaming, passing the buck, the devil is having fun and feeling clever. Scripture warns us plainly: "Neither give place to the devil." (Ephesians 4:27). Every unresolved offense, every harsh

word, every cold silence becomes an invitation. Division is his playground; unity is his eviction notice.

The Bible is not speaking in poetry when it says: “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” That oil from that message does not stop at church doors. It flows into homes, marriages, bedrooms, and conversations. Unity works in families too, and wherever unity dwells, God commands blessing, even life for evermore” (Psalm 133:3).

This is why Scripture calls couples to agreement: “Can two walk together, except they be agreed?” And why Jesus Himself said: “If two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.” For couples, this is a recommended resolution aimed at bliss: stop fighting each other and start fighting for each other. Refuse the urge to win arguments at the cost of peace. Lay down the ego that insists

on being right and pick up the wisdom that insists on being one. “Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.”

Before you raise your voice, remember: “A soft answer turneth away wrath.” Before you assign blame, recall: “Charity suffereth long, and is kind... seeketh not her own.” And before you withdraw affection, hear the warning: “Let not the sun go down upon your wrath.”

Strong marriages are not built by perfect people, but by humble ones. Homes flourish not because issues are absent, but because unity is protected.

When couples choose oneness, heaven leans in, hell backs off, and love regains its voice. Therefore guard your unity. Protect your agreement. And never forget, what God has joined together was never meant to be torn apart by flimsy battles and careless words.

TESTIMONIES FROM OUR OUTREACHES IN UGANDA

I am writing this letter to provide a heartfelt testimonial for our beloved Ergates International Ministries regarding the recently concluded May 2026 Impactful Holy Ghost Teachings & Prayers. The Ergates International Ministries has greatly impacted me, strengthening my faith, hope, and unity with my fellow brethren in Christ. The lessons learned, the new friendships formed, and the spiritual growth experienced are truly immeasurable.

The pastoral team, under the inspiring leadership of Reverend Wole Owolabi, has provided unwavering support and guidance. Their dedication to the spiritual well-being of the congregation is evident in their thought-provoking sermons, compassionate counseling, and tireless efforts to reach out to those in need. Reverend Wole Owolabi’s ability to connect biblical teachings to our daily lives has been profoundly impactful.

The fellowship programs have become a cornerstone of our church life. The ministers’ conferences, youth conventions, and volunteer opportunities such as baptism have brought our community closer together. These programs have provided a platform not only to nurture our spiritual lives but also to build lasting relationships with fellow congregants. The outreach initiatives of Ergates International Ministries have truly exemplified the principles of love, charity, and community service that we hold dear.

Otim Raphael

Praise God! The coming of the Ergates team was a real blessing to me.

First and foremost was the ministers’ meeting, where we were taught many things. What stood out most for me was the circle sermon, in which we were encouraged to pray and break free from generational curses. Truly, I did not remain the same after that experience.

At the Outpouring Convention, my eyes were opened to the importance of fleeing from sexual immorality. I learned that when one engages in sexual relations with different people, a bond is formed with them. As a leader, I now have a clear goal to teach my team to move from one level to another by fleeing from sexual immorality. With faith and trust in God, I was taught that I can overcome everything.

Jireh Gao

Hello, praise the name of Jesus! I am Mukanza Mercy from Kingdom Builders Community Church, Uganda. I was so blessed by the Ergates Youth Convention, and I did not remain the same spiritually through the word that was preached. As a youth, I can truly testify that my lifestyle is now renewed. God bless you!

Mukanza Mercy

My name is Nyaloch Gracious, a minister at Kingdom Builders Community Church. By God’s grace, I serve as the youth leader in our church.

On the 16th of May, during one of our youth conference days, we were blessed in Uganda by the presence of men of God from Ergates.

I learned many valuable lessons at the conference, including:

- The church is the body of Christ, but Christ Himself is our head.
- It is impossible to understand the personality of the body without the head.
- There is a difference between cleanliness and purity. Cleanliness is of the flesh, but God desires purity, because He looks at the heart.
- As youths, we must learn to control our bodies in a way that is honorable to God.

Thank you so much for blessing us.

Nyaloch Gracious

Greetings, Ergates Family,
We want to thank God for bringing you to us in Uganda—we were truly blessed.

After attending the Marriage Retreat on May 9th, the Lord placed a burden on our hearts to make things right in our marriage. We have been living together for 12 years with six children, and we are both ministers in the church.

By faith, we have set our dates: our Introduction on December 5th and our Wedding on December 12th.

We believe that after our wedding, God will launch us into greater heights in both ministry and family life.

Thank you so much. We love you. Stay blessed.

James & Dinah

Dear Ergates Family Ministry,
We thank God for using you to impact our lives through the 2026 Marriage Retreat! As a couple, we left with many lessons that reshaped our family life.

The most important was that God used Ergates to convict us deeply about holy matrimony. We had been cohabiting for six years, with three children, while also serving as ministers.

On the night of May 9th, we set our wedding date, July 6th by faith. To God be the glory, it came to pass!

God bless you.

Moses & Emily.

Newsletter Subscription

We hope you were blessed by this edition of Links. By God’s grace, there are many more editions to come, and we don’t want you to miss out. If you’re interested in receiving subsequent editions, kindly subscribe to our newsletter mailing list using the link below.

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COMING SOON... Ergates Radio Ministry.

By the grace of God, we are pleased to announce that our Radio Ministry will soon be live! This means you will now have the opportunity to hear God’s servant, Bro. Wole Owolabi, bring the Word of God to you weekly over the airwaves. We encourage you to anticipate this new move of God with joy and expectation. Truly, it will be another channel through which lives will be blessed, strengthened, and transformed by His Word. More details about the schedule and broadcast times will be communicated shortly. Stay tuned, and get ready to be richly fed by the Word of God through this new ministry platform.

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