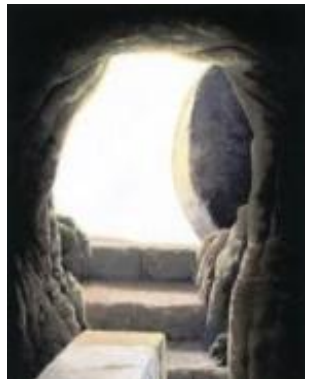




THE TRUE GOSPEL



The Gospel in Colour

Thank you for taking the time to read through this booklet. May God Almighty draw you to Him (John 6:44) the Holy Spirit touch you and change your heart according to the will of the Father (John 16:8-11) and you be cleansed completely by the blood of Jesus the Christ (1 John 1:7).

In case you have not yet accepted Jesus the Christ as your personal Saviour, you can do so by using this booklet as a guideline. The only way to receive Eternal Life is by receiving Him. There is no other way (John 14:6).

Please note that not all verses as indicated in the booklet are direct translations from the Bible. Some of the verses as indicated have been changed to make it easier to understand and only serves as a point of reference. Thus the idea is not to copy the original verse but rather to indicate there is a portion of scripture that bears reference to the contents of the changed verse.

In order to make it easier for you to remember, we make use of different colours to illustrate the various stages when the gospel is explained. This booklet is only one of many ways in which to share the gospel with you.

The spiritual fall of mankind through Satan and the recovery through Jesus Christ

In the beginning God created male and female in His own image and likeness and empowered them to rule over the fish, birds, cattle and every creeping thing on the earth (Genesis 1:26-27). They were without sin and destined never to die. God put them in the garden of Eden and instructed them not to eat of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for the day they eat of it, they shall surely die (Genesis 2:17).

Satan came in the form of a snake and was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. He tempted the woman to eat of the forbidden fruit. She ate of the fruit and gave it to her husband who also ate it (Genesis 3:6). Both of them were disobedient to God. This caused immediate spiritual death (spiritual separation between God and man). This did not only apply to Adam and Eve, but also to all of mankind to date. This resulted in everybody to be born in sin and not to live forever, but to physically die one time or the other.

During the times of the Old Testament, the High Priest had to once a year offer a sacrifice to atone for the sins of the whole nation (Exodus 30:10). God the Father changed that irrevocable by sending His own Son Jesus the Christ, in the

flesh, whose body was offered only once as a perfect offer for complete redemption of sin for all (Hebrews 10:10). Although the Holy Spirit came upon people occasionally during times of the Old Testament (1 Samuel 10:10) the Holy Spirit never permanently dwelled in a person. After the ascension of Jesus the Christ, the Holy Spirit descended to earth (John 16:7) and dwells permanently in those who accepted Jesus the Christ as their personal Saviour (Romans 8:11).



GOLD: "God's Love." God is love (1 John 4:8). He is the only living God. There is no God besides Him (Isaiah 45:5). His love for us will never change because He is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). His love is complete and unconditional. He loves the unsaved just as much He loves those who already have been saved. His desire is that not a single person should perish, but that each and every one must come to salvation (1 Timothy 2:4). God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).



BLACK: "Eternal Death." Satan came to steal, kill and destroy (John 10:10 a). This caused Adam and Eve to sin and therefore everybody is sinful by nature. All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23). The wages of sin is death [spiritual separation from God] (Romans 6:23). If you die in this state you will go to hell for eternity (Revelation 20:15). Once you are in hell, you will not get another opportunity to receive Jesus as your Lord and Saviour. A human being only die once and there after comes the judgement (Hebrews 9:27).



RED: “Salvation.” Jesus came that we may have life in abundance (John 10:10 b). The blood of Jesus the Christ is God's only provision for man's sin. His blood cleanses us from all sin (1 John 1:7) and through His stripes we are healed (1 Peter 2:24). He died on the cross in our place (Luke 23:33) and was raised by the Holy Spirit on the third day (Romans 8:11). Whoever believes in Jesus will not perish, but have eternal life (John 3:15). Only when you receive Him and when you are cleansed by His blood, you will have eternal life and will forever be in the presence of God.



WHITE: “Holy Spirit.” Only the Holy Spirit can change the condition of your heart so as to enable you to receive the Word of God. The moment you receive Jesus as your personal Saviour, the Holy Spirit starts to dwell within you (Romans 8:9). Your body then becomes a temple of God (1 Corinthians 3:16). He will guide you in truth to live a life to the glory of God and to act according to His will (John 16:13). The Holy Spirit sets us free from the power of sin that leads to death (Romans 8:2). Only through the guidance of the Holy Spirit is it possible to live a life pleasing to God the Father.



GREEN: “Personal growth.” You must grow spiritually in the knowledge of God (Colossians 1:10) and produce fruit in keeping with repentance (Mathew 3:8). You must produce works that reflect your faith in God, without which you cannot be saved (James 2:14). Others will see your works in Jesus and it will glorify the Father (Matthew 5:16). You also must become the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-14). You must establish a continuous living relationship with God the Father through obedience to His Word and seek His will through regular prayer and studying of the Bible.



BLUE: “The return of Jesus the Christ.” The Bible encourages us to comfort one another with this very good news. The Bible is very clear that Jesus will return to fetch the believers. Jesus Himself will descend from heaven to fetch those who died as children of God, as well as us alive who believe in Him. We shall meet with Him in the clouds to be with Him forever (1 Thessalonians 4: 13–18). All unbelievers who are alive as well as those who died without Jesus will have no part in this miraculous event.

Jesus is the only Name by which we can be saved (Acts 4:12). For whoever calls on the Name of the Lord, shall be saved (Romans 10:13). Jesus is the only way to God. Jesus said: “I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14:6). Jesus is also the only Mediator between God and man (1Timothy 2:5).

Salvation only takes effect when a person is spiritually reborn. Jesus answered Nicodemus and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God” (John 3:3). For by grace you are saved through faith and not of yourselves. It is a gift of God (Ephesians 2:8).

Salvation Prayer: “Lord Jesus, I now call upon Your Name. I confess I am sinful and will perish without You. I also confess You are the Son of the only living God. I believe You died on the cross for all my sins. By Your blood I am cleansed of all my sin and by Your stripes I am healed. I believe You were raised from the dead through the power of the Holy Spirit. I repent of my sinful behaviour and I turn to You. Please forgive me. In faith I now receive You as my only personal Saviour. Amen

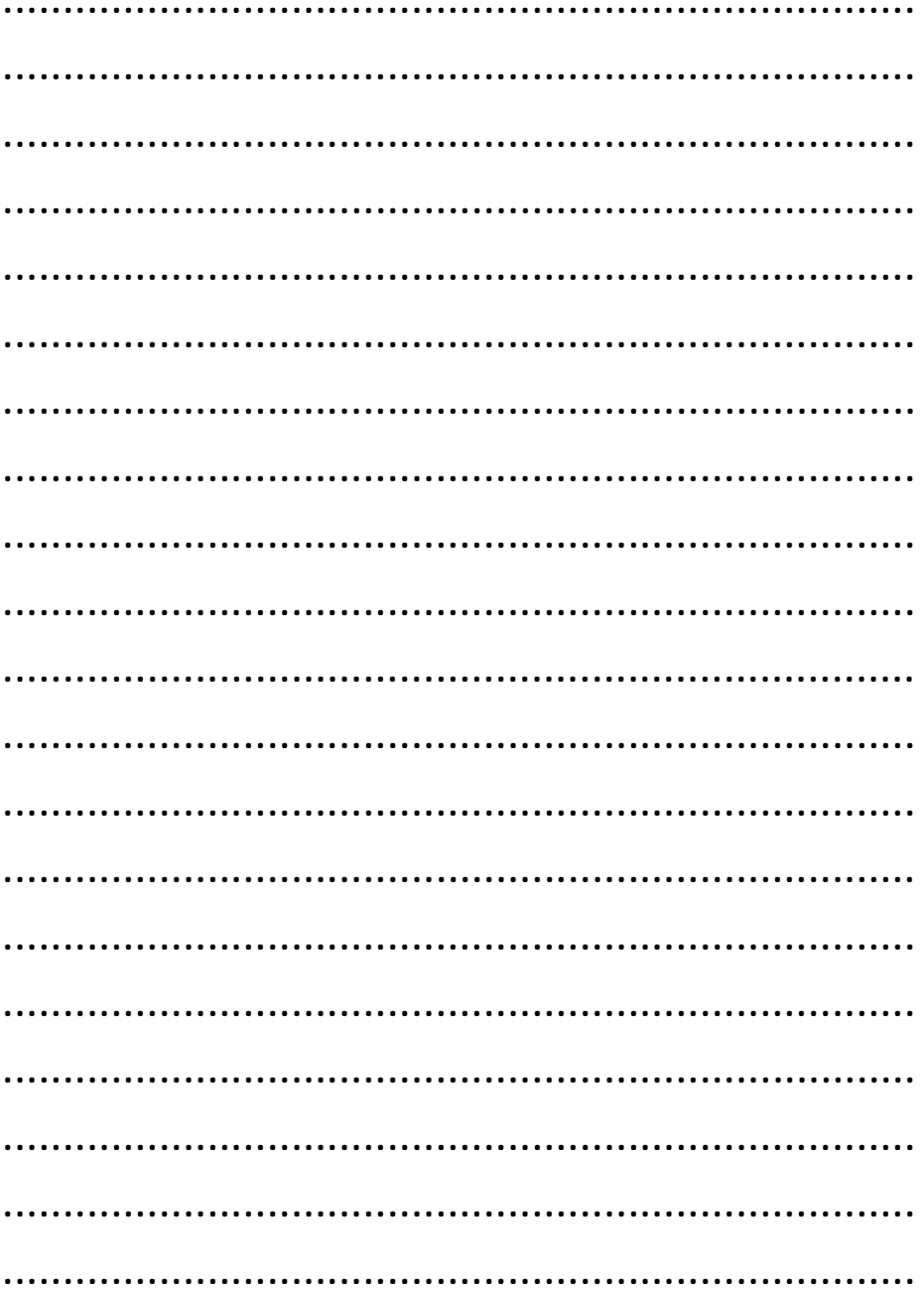
Right now you are a reborn Christian and may call the Almighty God, “Father.” You now are a new creation in Jesus, the old things have passed away and all things have become new (2 Corinthians 5:17). You now have the Son of

God and therefore have eternal life (1 John 5:11-13). The Holy Spirit will guide you in truth (John 16:13) and give you wisdom to understand the Word of God and win the spiritual battle against Satan and the evil forces of darkness. You are more than a conqueror through Jesus Christ (Romans 8:37). Now you must act according to the Word of God and also be obedient to His command, which is to spread the gospel to everybody (Matthew 28:19 and 20).

If you do not have a Bible, get one as soon as possible. Read and study the Bible regularly and carefully. Obey God's Word at all times. Join a church where Jesus the Christ is proclaimed to be the only way of salvation and the only mediator between God and man.

May the Almighty God bless you and strengthen you. May He be with you and keep you until the day He fetches you.

I would like to congratulate you on your decision to receive and confess Jesus the Christ as your Saviour. This is the most important decision you have ever made in your life. May I welcome you into His Church of which He is the Head and we the body.



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