

SOUVENIR PROGRAM

IN CELEBRATION OF THE
8th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY CHURCHES
OF LIBERIA, INC.

Convening with the Lakpazee Community Church of Airfield, Sinkor, Monrovia
Liberia

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023 – Sunday,
December 10, 2023**

Theme: **“Power of Decision”**

Text: **“Deuteronomy 30:19-20”**

Rev. Amos McDonald Fagans
General Overseer

Rev. P. Sampson M. Jackson
Mission Director

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Host Pastor
Lakpazee Community Church

Motto:

WINNING THE LOST AT ALL COST



The General Overseer

and

Members of the National Board of Advisors
of the

**Association of Community Churches
of Liberia**

Cordially invite you to witness the

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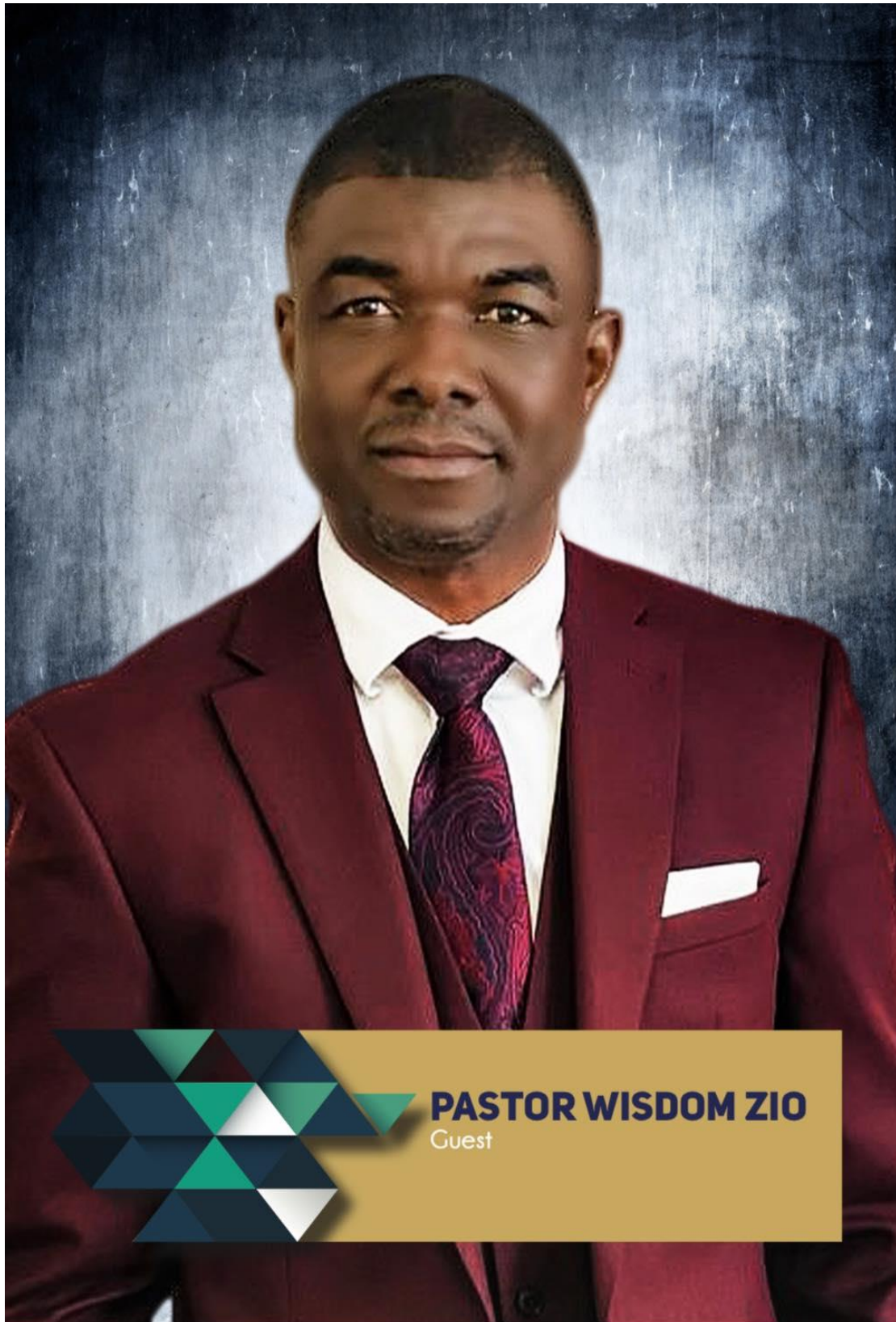
From December 6, 2023 – December 10, 2023

Meet our General Overseer



Rev. /Cllr. Amos M. Fagans

Meet our Convention Guest Preacher



MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL OVERSEER

To: The National Board of Advisors
Officers and Members of the Association of Community Churches of Liberia, Inc.
Convening with the Lakpazee Community Church, Inc. of Monrovia, Liberia

From: Rev. /Cllr. Amos M. Fagans
General Overseer
Association of Community Churches of Liberia, Inc.
Airfield, Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia

Greetings:

As we gather here at the Lakpazee Community Church (LCC) for the 8th Annual Convention of the ACC, it is my passionate prayer that we will all share in these cogitations being good congresses of our various congregations.

Our theme for the 2023 convention "The Power of Decision", reflects on the scriptures in Deuteronomy 30: 19-20. All over the world, a countless number of people spends huge hours of their time making decisions about school/ education, work, travelling, productions especially in industries, finance, whether to make babies or not to make babies, whether to go to church or not to, whether to accept Jesus as their savior and Lord or not. Thus, life is full of making decisions and these decisions are driven by choices, motivations, needs, fears, satisfaction, desires and faith. Sometimes these decisions are also influenced by cultural and moral issues and yet other times it is basically influenced by peer pressure or because my friends are doing it or because they said it is good without necessarily giving it enough thought and prayer.

In our text Deuteronomy 30:19-20 under consideration, God says "I call on heaven and earth as witnesses today that I have offered you life or death, blessings or curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants will live. **Love the Lord your God**, obey him, and be loyal to him.

Our first and foremost counsellor is Jesus Christ and so whenever we are faced with a decision, we need to talk to Jesus and tell him all our fears and problems through prayer, then the next person should be your parents and then pastors. Our friends may not have enough information about life or they are ignorant, they may lead you to make wrong decisions which may have serious effects in your life.

When we choose to glorify God through our decisions and actions, God is pleased with us and He blesses us with more gifts of wisdom, intelligence and makes us great and greater. We must, therefore, recognize that God is all powerful and majestic in glory. Those that fear the Lord, have a continual awareness of Him, a deep reverence for Him, and sincere commitment to obey Him. This is exactly what Daniel demonstrated when he resolved or purposed or decided that he will not defile himself with the delicacies of the royal food and wine, and so he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. This means that whenever we decide firmly to honor God through our decisions, God will make it possible for us to succeed. He will grant us a favor and will make a way for us. You should not be intimidated to identify yourself as a Christian, you should not be afraid to say no to your friends when their plans, actions and decisions are bad and do not glorify God. Obedience and faithfulness to God are what will make us succeed in life.

Consequences of not Consulting God

The problem for us is that we allow our decisions to be directed without much thought of God.

- When you do not seek the counsel of the Lord, if you are a slayer of the work of God, if you are not a lover of the Lord, you are not a child of God and you are bound to make wrong decisions. When we do not listen to the voice of God. Many believers turn deaf ear to God's leading, directions and instructions. A man that turns deaf ears to God will surely make the wrong decision.
- When you are motivated by selfishness, we are less concerned about others and about the work of the Lord.
- When you bow down to pleasing men above pleasing God. Men will fail you There are pillars in the church and there are caterpillars. Some people are in the church and all they want is to do the will of God and the work of God and yet, there are others that want to pull that work down.
- When we do not meditate on the word of God but spend so much time on social media and cannot spend 5 minutes to study God's word, we sit for hours making goss of people and gossiping but cannot spend time with God's word, You will always make a right decision when you are addicted to God's word.
- When you are living in secret sin. When you are a sinner, your boss is the devil because he would have dominated your life due to the sin and therefore, he would guide you into making wrong decisions.

Both indecision and wrong decision have devastating consequences in a person's life. You should be a man or a woman of principles. Look at God, no matter how loving and wonderful He is, He has His own principles, if you follow Him and obey Him, He would show you how marvelous He is and if you disobey Him, He would show you the consequences of disobedience and rebellion.

Wish you all a successful Convention.

Welcome Message from the Mission Director



To: Rev. /Cllr. Amos M. Fagans
General Overseer
Association of Community Churches of Liberia, Inc.
Airfield, Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia

From: Rev. P. Sampson M. Jackson
Mission Director and Senior Pastor
MercySeat Christian Chapel
Omega Community Church
Montserrado County, Liberia

Christly greetings:

We are on the verge of making decisions for the years ahead! Many of them will be called New Year's Resolutions. Many of them will be business decision, family decisions and goals, financial decision, health management decisions, spiritual decisions.

In Deuteronomy 30:19-20 which is our Convention text, God says "I call on heaven and earth as witnesses today that I have offered you life or death, blessings or curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants will live. Love the LORD your God, obey him, and be loyal to him. This will be your way of life, and it will mean a long life for you in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors" As we deal with the theme "the Power of Decision" let us know that The greatest power that has been given into the hands of man is the power to make decisions for himself. However, our Father must be our adviser.

In Joshua 24:13-15, Joshua challenged the Children of Israel to make a decision as to whom they would serve. This was after they had entered the Promised Land. He declared His own choice.

We have the power to: come and go, make friends or enemies, choose good and evil, obey or disobey, change our ways rock remain the same, handle our finances or ignore them, build or terminate our relationships, live or die, etc!

We are so impacted with decision making that many have developed a fear of making decisions so as to not make mistakes, but if God is in our decision making, we make the right decisions.

Remember decisions are more than what you say they are what you do. There is a big difference between intentions and decisions!

Decision are not usually made in a vacuum. They are created by the influences that are around you, Your culture, Your training, Your beliefs, your family, your friends, Your God. Know that the best of these is our God, Jesus who guides and controls our actions.

Thank you

Message from Our Host Pastor



Photo of our Assistant Pastor

Dear beloved,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we gather here for our church convention, we are reminded of the power of decision that lies within each one of us.

In Deuteronomy 30:19-20, the Lord says to His people, "This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to His voice, and hold fast to Him. For the Lord is your life."

These verses serve as a powerful reminder that God has given us the incredible gift of free will. In every aspect of our lives, we are presented with choices and decisions. Choices that lead to life, blessings, and a deeper relationship with our Heavenly Father, or choices that lead to death, curses, and a separation from Him.

It is important for us to understand that the power of decision is not to be taken lightly. The choices we make today will not only impact ourselves but also our children and the generations to come. But more importantly, our decisions have a profound effect on our relationship with God. When we choose life, we choose to love Him, listen to His voice, and hold fast to His promises. In doing so, we allow the Lord to become our very life, our source of strength, and our guide.

As we come together for this ACC convention, let us reflect on the power of decision. Let us open our hearts to the Holy Spirit's guidance and seek wisdom from the Lord to make choices in alignment with His will. May we be courageous in choosing life, for in doing so, we will witness the abundant blessings the Lord has prepared for us.

May His grace and wisdom be with us throughout this blessed convention.

With love in Christ,
Torwon Sulonteh-Brown
Assistant Pastor, LCC

Photos of Our Branch Pastors



Pastor/Mot Torwn S. Brown
Lakpazee Community Church



Rev. Samuel Robert Stewart
Banjor Community Church



Rev. Sampson P. Jackson
Dixville Community Church



Rev. Aaron G. Paul
Omega Community Church



Rev. & Mot. Napoleon Carlos
Mount Barclay Community Church



Rev. George Railey
Bensonville Community Church



Pst. Barrack Smith
Barnesville Community Church



Pst. Trokon T. George
Marshall Comm. Church



Rev. & Mot. Danny S. Giwlay
Infinite Grace Comm. Church



Pst. Idrissa Paul Bangura
New Look Community Church



Pst. Walker Brent
Lofa Community Church

WEDNESDAY, December 6, 2023 – FIRST DAY’S SESSION

12:00 Pm. -----Arrival of Delegates and Registration
2:00pm: Welcome & turning over of edifice----- Mot. Torwon S. Brown, LCC
Acceptance ----- Rev. Amos M. Fagans
General Overseer, ACC
Teaching session: Rev. Simeon Duke Juwle, LCC
Theme: **“Power of Decision”**
Text: **“Deut. 30:19-20”**
Revival 6pm: ----- Pastor Simeon Duke Juwle (Service Leader)
Revival Day 1----- Apostle Wisdom Zio, USA (Guest Preacher)
Benediction----- Guest Preacher

Thursday, Second Day’s Morning Session 9 am.

All ACC Women

Prayer Session (10 minutes) -----Led by Dea. Pauline B. Bawn
Praise and Worship (15 minutes) ----- LCC Praise Team
Devotion (10 Minutes) ----- Led by Lakpazee Community Church
Roll Call ----- Convention Secretariat
Scripture Reading -----Pastor Robert Rose, LCC
Offering/Offertory ----- Congregation
Names of Lifters: Led by all ACC Women
Selection -----
Teaching Session ----- Mot. Torwon S. Brown, LCC
Theme: The “The Role of the Women”
Appointment of committees----- The GO, ACC Closing
Hymn -----
Benediction -----
12: 00pm ----- Lunch Time

Afternoon Session Led by ACC Women’s Department @ 2:00PM

Prayer Time -----
Scripture Reading -----
Teaching Session -----Theme: **“Power of Decision”**
Text: **“Deut. 30:19-20”**
Reading of Messages: ----- Convention Secretariat
Offering led by all ACC Women
Names of Lifters: ----- All ACC Women

Business Session

Presiding: ----- The G.O
Welcome remarks ----- LCC
Reports: ----- Mt. Barclay CC, Barnesville CC, Lofa CC,
Marshall CC & IGCC
Partial Report: ----- Convention Secretariat
Closing Prayer and Adjournment
6pm. Revival ----- Infinite Grace CC (Service Leader)
Revival Day 2----- Apostle Wisdom Zio, USA (Guest Preacher)

FRIDAY, December 8, 2023 @ 9am. – Third DAY’S Session All ACC Men

Third Day’s Morning Session 10am.

Prayer Session (10 minutes) -----Led by Pst. Trokon George
Praise and Worship (15 minutes) ----- LCC Praise Team
Devotion (10 Minutes) ----- Led by Lakpazee Community Church
Roll Call ----- Convention Secretariat
Scripture Reading -----Pastor Newton,
Offering/Offertory ----- Congregation
Names of Lifters: Led by all ACC Men
Selection -----
Teaching Session ----- Rev. Moses Kerkula, BCC

Theme: The “The Role of the Men”

Closing Hymn -----
Benediction -----

12: 00pm ----- Lunch Time

Afternoon Session Led by ACC Men’s Department @ 2:00PM

Prayer Time -----
Scripture Reading -----
Teaching Session -----Pst. Danny S. N. Giwlay, IGCC

Theme: “**Power of Decision**”

Text: “**Deut. 30:19-20**”

Offering led by all ACC Men
Names of Lifters: ----- All ACC Men

Debate Session led by Two (2) Teams on the topic, “**Which System Rules the World?**
“**The Devil or God?**”

Business Session

Presiding: ----- The Mission Director
Welcome remarks ----- LCC
Reports: -----BCC, OCC, DCC, LCC
Partial Report: ----- Convention Secretariat
Closing Prayer and Adjournment

6pm. Revival ----- Service, BCC (Service Leader)
Revival Day 3----- Apostle Wisdom Zio, USA (Guest Preacher)

**SATURDAY, December 9, 2023 @ 10:00 am – FOURTH DAY ACTIVITIES
All Youth**

Prayer Session (10 minutes) -----Led by Rev. Robert Rose, LCC
Praise and Worship (15 minutes) ----- LCC Praise Team
Devotion (10 Minutes) ----- Led by Lakpazee Community Church
Roll Call ----- Convention Secretariat
Scripture Reading -----Rev. Aaron Paul, OCC
Offering/Offertory ----- Congregation
Names of Lifters: Led by all ACC Men
Selection -----
Teaching Session ----- Bro. Amuchien Neeply, LCC

Theme: The “The Role of the Youth”

6pm Concert-----Revs. Duke & Kerkula

Sunday, December 10, 2023, Fifth Day’s Session

Sunday School – 9:00am – 9:50am

Divine Worship Service – 10:00am

1. Musical Prelude The Musicians
2. Call to worship Mot. Torwon S. Brown, LCC
3. Opening Hymn Now Thank We All Our God
4. Opening Prayer Rev. Simeon Duke Juwle
5. Praise & Worship LCC Paise Team
6. Welcome and Recognition of Guests Rev. Amos M. Fagans
7. Pastoral Prayer Rev. Sampson P. Jackson
8. Selection The Convention Choir
9. Interjection
10. Selection LCC Senior Choir
11. Selection
12. Special Recognitions Rev. Amos M. Fagans
13. Offering/ Offertory Led By Lifters:
 1. Fr. Kollie M. Reed – LCC
 2. Bro. Rolando K. Woheel, LCC
 3. Mot. Torwon S. Brown – LCC
 4. Bro. Roosevelt Hanky, LCC
 5. Bro. David Akoi – LCC
 6. Aaron Sonyah, LCC
 7. Pst. Noosevett Weah – LCC
 8. James Nagbe, LCC
 9. Bro. Baccus Roberts – LCC
 10. Amie Dixon-Morris, LCC
 11. Bro. Soko Thomas – LCC
 12. Mot. Estella B. Clark, LCC
 13. Sis. Tebeh Glay – LCC
 14. Mot. Evon F. Siaworla, LCC
 15. Sis Florence Harris – LCC
 16. Dea. Kumba M. Stevens, LCC
 17. Bro. Moses Wright – LCC
 18. Mot. & Rev. Fagans
 19. Bro. Patrick Honnah, LCC
 20. Bro. Nah Chea, LCC
 21. Rev. Sedney Morris, LCC
 22. Bro. Joseph Artis, LCC
 23. Bro. Louise R. Howard - LCC
 24. Dea. / Dr. Tarnue Woheel - LCC
 25. Hon. Frank S. Foko - LCC
 26. Hon. Jonathan B. Sogbie – LCC
 27. Bro. Larmie Sharpe – LCC
 28. Bro. Albert K. Samukai – LCC
 29. Dea. & Bro. Shedrick Nyanquie – LCC
 30. Bro. Henry D.Z. Yanquoi – LCC
 31. Deas. Roosevelt & Lucky Capehart, LCC

14. Scripture Reading... (Matthew 13:24-43) Rev. Samuel R. Stewart
15. Sermonic Selection LCC Senior Choir
16. Sermon Rev. Amos McDonald Fagans
General Overseer, ACC

Theme: “Power of Decision”

Text: “**Deuteronomy. 30:19-20**”

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| 17. Altar Call | The Preacher |
| 18. Remarks | Any 2 Guests |
| 19. Announcements | Convention Secretariat & LCC |
| 20. Closing Hymn | Trust And Obey |
| 21. Benediction | The Preacher |

Business Session

1. Welcome
2. Opening Prayer
3. Final Reports
 - Credential /Financial Tellers
 - Complementary Resolution
4. Motion for Adjournment and Closing of the Seven Annual Session
5. Announcements The Secretariat
6. Benediction Pst. Torwon S. Brown

NAMES OF MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF ADVISORS

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| 1. Rev. Samuel R. Stewart..... | Chairman, Advisory Board |
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| 3. Dea. S. Roland Stevens | Secretary |
| 4. Pst. Torwon S. Brown..... | Member |
| 5. Rev. Simeon Duke Juwle | Member |
| 6. Pst. Barrack Smith | Member |
| 7. Rev. George Railey | Member |
| 8. Rev. Napoleon Carlos | Member |
| 9. Rev. Stephen O. Jallah | Member |
| 10. Rev. P. Sampson M. Jackson | Member |
| 11. Rev. Amos M. Fagans | Ex-Officio |

NAMES OF THE CONVENTION SECRETARIAT

1. Dea. Zubah K. Yennego, Sr.
2. Dea. Kumba M. Stevens
3. Boima Massalay

1. What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and grieves to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!

Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms
He'll take and shield thee,
thou wilt find a solace there.

When we walk with the Lord
in the light of His Word,
what a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise,
not a cloud in the skies,
but His smile quickly drives it away;
Not a doubt or a fear,
not a sigh or a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.

2. Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be,
as long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
the sun forbear to shine;
But God, who called me here below,
will be forever mine.

When we've been there ten thousand
years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

3. Trust and Obey

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil He doth richly repay;
Not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blessed if we trust and obey.

But we never can prove
the delights of His love
until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows,
for the joy He bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet
we will sit at His feet,
or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do,
where He sends we will go;
Never fear, only trust and obey.

4. Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son, and Holy Ghost, supreme in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

6. How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder, consider all the worlds Thy hands have made; I see the stars, I

hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees. When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

Refrain:

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing; Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

Refrain:

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow, in humble adoration, and then proclaim, "My God, how great Thou art!"

7. Standing On The Promises

Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages let His praises ring, Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, Standing on the promises of God.

o *Refrain:*

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, by the living

Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord, overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call, Resting in my Savior as my all in all, Standing on the promises of God.