

# BIC Weekly Bulletin Jan 5, 2024



**Bethel International Church**  
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 Office Hour : Mon - Fri 11:00AM – 5:00 PM

Early Morning Prayer. Mon - Fri @5:00 AM  
 Engage Youth Service. Friday @7:00 PM  
 CORE. Saturday @ 6:30 PM  
 Saturday Morning Prayer. Saturday @9:00 AM

**Sunday Services Times**  
**Northeast Location - At Bethel Center**  
 87-07 Justice Avenue, Elmhurst  
 7:30 , 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM (Indonesia)  
 12:00 PM (English)

ONLINE Sunday Service is also broadcasted at  
[www.bethelic.com](http://www.bethelic.com)

**CHILDREN CHURCH IN PERSON @ HLC**  
 88 - 39 53rd Ave, Elmhurst NY 11373  
 9 AM & 10:30 AM (All Classes)

## Notes

## BIC New York

*“Sow for yourselves righteousness; Reap in mercy; Break up your fallow ground, For it is time to seek the Lord, Till He comes and rains righteousness on you” Hosea 10:12*

ANNOINTING SERVICE FOR VOLUNTEER (NY & BRANCHES)  
 Saturday, 11 January 2025 @ 9am  
 Bethell Hall—NYPC

### CONGREGATION MINISTRIES:

- \*Prayer request
  - \* Child dedication
  - \*Baptism
  - \*Marriage counseling
- Fill out the form on our church website:  
[Www.bethelic.com/contact us](http://Www.bethelic.com/contact us)



### Daily Bible Reading Jan 6—Jan 11

Genesis 15-17; Luke 6	Monday, Jan 6
Genesis 18-19; Psalm 3; Luke 7	Tuesday, Jan 7
Genesis 20-22; Luke 8	Wednesday, Jan 8
Genesis 23-24; Luke 9	Thursday, Jan 9
Genesis 25-26; Psalm 6; Luke 10	Friday, Jan 10
Genesis 27-28; Psalm 4; Luke 11	Saturday, Jan 11
Genesis 29-30; Luke 12	Sunday, Jan 12

## **WALKING IN THE LEADERSHIP OF GOD'S LIGHT**

The Bible records a number of signs that will occur before the end of time. In Matthew 24, the Lord Jesus speaks that there will be wars, famines, earthquakes, apostasy, apostasy, increased wickedness, cold love, and persecution of believers. We have seen these signs happening in this time.

Nevertheless, we need not be afraid because God promises to be with us until the end of time. Although darkness covers the earth and darkness covers the nations, but God's light rises upon us and His glory is manifest upon us.

For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the LORD will rise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you (Isaiah 60:2).

Our lives are guided by pillars of cloud and pillars of fire so that we do not have to walk in darkness. God's light that rises upon us will guide our direction and steps/decisions, providing revelation to understand God's will. God's light protects us from evil and gives us the strength to triumph over darkness.

No matter how bleak the world will be in the future, we are more than winners in all things. However, all of this does not happen automatically. Our victory in dark times must be preceded by obedience to God's will through the guidance of His Holy Spirit.

Jesus said to them again, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Before seeing victory on the outside, victory must first happen within us. Victory over what? For weakness, pride, fear/worry, doubt, heartache, past; for laziness, carnal lust, and for mental poverty. Mental poverty is a thought that makes a person feel dissatisfied in living the desired life and actualizing themselves. The person feels trapped, helpless, unmotivated, and feels like nothing will change. The characteristics of people who experience mental poverty include feeling that they do not have property, are always

lacking, their desires are not fulfilled, feel stagnant, unmotivated and feel that their life is not pleasant.

The anointing of the power of the Holy Spirit enables us to rise supernaturally and shine brighter in the midst of difficult times. Whatever we do is made by God to succeed. This is not done by our own strength and understanding, but by the guidance of the light of the word and the power of the Spirit of God.

It is important to understand that God blesses us with success not to satisfy our personal agenda, but so that we can be a blessing and be able to witness God's great deeds to the world (1 Peter 2:9) God's light leads us to shine more and more in the midst of darkness and His name is glorified.

If we abide in God's word and follow the lead of the Holy Spirit, then we will have His favor and provision. If we live in God's vision, then He will make us successful. God's vision comes with His provision.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you (Isaiah 60:1).

We will rise and become light if the light of God guides our hearts and minds. Therefore, do not be lazy or neglectful to take care of your heart with all vigilance. Renew our minds with God's word always. Learn to trust God with all our hearts and don't rely on our own understanding. Nurture and even increase intimacy with the Holy Spirit, so that our hearts and souls are always in a state of light. Close fellowship with the Holy Spirit helps us to live by faith.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:16).

The power of the Holy Spirit awakens us to be the light of the world that has an impact, not only on spiritual matters but also on non-spiritual/physical matters. Therefore, we need to expand our insights/knowledge. Don't hide your talents, but run and multiply them. Talent talks about gifts, time/opportunity, influence, wealth, talents, abilities, skills, and resources used to serve God and others. Increase our capacity

of faith and love so that we are ready to be entrusted with God's great plan in these last days.

If we limit ourselves to shining only within the community of believers, then who will enlighten the people of the world? They will continue to walk in darkness because there is no light-bearing agent to illuminate them. Do not be like a lamp placed under a bushel that closes itself and does not radiate light to the world, but lift our lamp on a lampstand so that it can illuminate everyone.

See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, (Ephesians 5:15-18).

## **SUMMARY**

Believers have received the power to live as children of God who walk in the light. God raises us to be 'heads', not tails. We are given authority and power to bring the light of God's Kingdom wherever we are. Prayer, acts of faith, love and our talents will be used by God according to His plan so that the nations that walk in darkness will see great light and there will be a great harvest of souls.

Be strong and of good courage as we enter the New Year 2025, a year full of challenges and uncertainties. God's abundant grace makes us more than victors in all things, Amen!