



"The entrance of Thy words giveth light..." (Ps 119:130a)

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**Being Well Pleasing in 2017**

**Heb 13:21**

"...working in you that which is wellpleasing in His sight..."

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## LIGHTHOUSE BBC OFFERS THANKSGIVING TO GOD THROUGH FIRSTFRUITS TODAY

*"I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving" (Ps 69:30).*

*"...that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God" (2 Cor 4:15).*

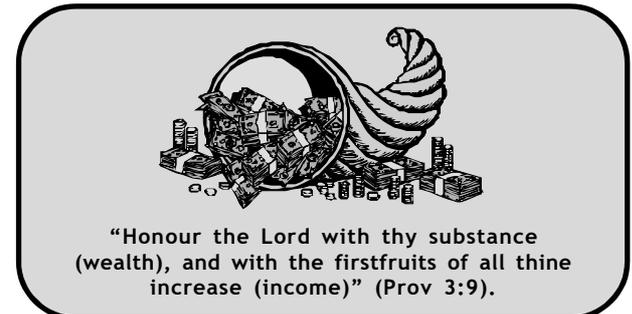
If there is anything which God's people can do together and which redounds to the glory of God, it is when "the many" magnify His Name with thanksgiving! Consider the word "abound."

First, it is the grace of God that abounds in us as His people. 2 Cor 9:8a, "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you..."

Secondly, because His grace abounds in us we can then "abound in everything" and "abound in every good work" (2 Cor 8:7, 8).

Thirdly, as we abound in everything and in every good work, we then can "abound in thanksgiving" (Col 2:7). "Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness...causeth through us thanksgiving to God. For the administration of this service...is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God" (2 Cor 9:11-12).

We therefore come together today, as Lighthouse Bible Baptist Church, as a people of God, to offer our thanksgiving to God. We have seen how abundant His grace is to us as a church. And it is through our corporate "thanksgiving of many" can we actually magnify His Name and bring Him glory in our midst!



Once more, our auditorium bears the sweet smell of the hundreds of fruits arranged before us to make our celebration even more significant!

Third Quarter Focus :

**Being Well Pleasing to God in Thanksgiving and Praise**

Heb 13:15-16, "...offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually...to do good and to communicate forget not...for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

*"Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" (Eph. 3:21)*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**  
Special Sunday School Lesson

**TITLE : FIRSTFRUITS, A THANKSGIVING OFFERING**

Text/x : Deut 26:10-11

**INTRODUCTION**

Firstfruits, as instructed by God to the nation of Israel to give, is basically a thanksgiving offering. It comes to us as an example on how to also be really be thankful to Him as His people.

**A) Firstfruits is a thanksgiving offering made by God's people**

Rom 9:23-26, "And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?"

**B) Firstfruits is a thanksgiving offering made by God's people collectively (or as a body)**

1 Peter 2:5, 9-10, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ....ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy."

Phil 4:18, "...I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God."

**C) Firstfruits is a thanksgiving given as a sacrifice**

Ps 116:17, "I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord."

Ps 107:22-24, "And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing."

1 Peter 2:5, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

**D) Firstfruits is thanksgiving offering given in honor to God**

Prov 3:9-10, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase."

1 Sam 2:30b, "...for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed."

Mal 1:6, "A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour?"

Firstfruits is one specific way by which God wants us to honor Him. And when we do honor Him with such offering, He honors us in return!"

**Such principles that underlie firstfruits beehove each believer into involvement, not only because of God's promises of blessings but in**

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every Saturday;  
and **THE PULPIT**, featuring our Sunday morning services, every Sunday on GCTV, Ch 185 on CIGNAL. Both these programs are seen every 4am, 10am, 4pm and 10pm on said days. The **Mga**



**Munting Ilaw Kids** Show is seen every Saturday and Sunday, 12n and 5pm. To view the programs in

YouTube, simply search for the Lighthouse BBC Channel. Also check the Great Commission TV FB Page.

**OUR SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES, "THE PULPIT", PARTICULARLY, THE MORNING PREACHING, WILL BE AIRED LIVE FROM 11AM TO 12NOON OVER GCTV, CH 185 ON CIGNAL.**

answer to the graciousness and mercies of God to us. I would therefore that each member of Lighthouse BBC be able to participate in this blessed and God-honoring sacrifice of thanksgiving. Needless to say, we have much to thank God for, not only as individual believers, but as a church body.



Members belonging to the Lighthouse District 4 illustrate the many different ministries in Lighthouse in which the Grace of God may be manifested in all members. The involvement of all members in ministries can only be realized when the gifts of God according to His grace have been recognized by everyone in the New Testament Church.

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