# **CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA**

"That all may be one" – Jn. 17: 21

# NATIONAL DAY OF REPENTANCE AND NATIONAL RE-DEDICATION

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2014

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, ..." 2 Chro. 7: 14

In view of the various challenges facing both the nation and the Nigerian church, the National Executive Council of the Christian Association of Nigeria, led by the President of CAN, on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, called on all Christians in Nigeria to observe 3-day prayer and fasting both for the nation and for the church. All Christian assemblies are encouraged to ensure that they participate. The only sure defense of the church in these troublous times is Jehovah.

The program is as follows:

**Day 1** - **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct.** Prayers either from 6pm – 8pm OR vigil, (for those willing to do a prayer vigil). The vigil could be at homes, in fellowships, or in places of worship. Please be guided by prudence and safety in congregational vigils.

**Day 2** - **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct.** Praises program in line with 2 Chro. 20: 1-24. Praises and worship should be raised to God to thank Him for His manifold mercies upon Nigeria and the church. We can say, "If *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, now may *Nigeria* say; ..." Ps. 124: 1 (From 4pm)

**Day 3** - **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct.** National Repentance and National Re-dedication

# Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2014 – Prayer Meeting

# (Evening prayer or Vigil)

## PRAYERS FOR THE LAND

- 2 Chron. 7:14 Repent seriously concerning ills of this nation

- **Ex.3:14**: Ask YHWH, The great I AM to help us!!! Pray: 'The great I AM, step into our situation in Nigeria and the nations of the world.

- **Ps.2:5**: Ask the Lord to speak to the wicked in our nation in His wrath, and to vex them in His sore displeasure.

- Col. 2: 15 : Declare the victory of the Lord Jesus Christ over the power of the grave and hell.

- **Is.28: 15-18**: Stand on the authority of the Name of Jesus and annul every covenant with grave and hell by the wicked and their control over the entire nation.

- Take authority over customs and traditions designed to spread darkness over the land by invoking the power of grave and hell over the land.

- **Jer.22:22**: Pray commanding the wind over Nigeria to eat up all the prophets and priests that are working against the purpose of God for the Church, Israel, Nigeria and the Nations of the world.

- **Jer.48:42**: Pray commanding the destruction of Moab (Boko Haram etc). They shall be destroyed from being a people because they have magnified themselves against the Lord.

- **Is 16:12**: Pray that when Boko Haram and the wicked go to their altars to draw strength, they will never prevail!

- **Ps.55:9**: 'Destroy O Lord and divide their tongues for I have seen violence in the land.'

- **Jer.49:45**: May they be consumed by the very thing that they are turning to for refuge. As they have trusted in charms they shall be consumed by charms. As they have trusted in the sword, they shall be consumed by the sword. As they have trusted in enchantments and prognostication, they shall be consumed by enchantments and prognostication.

# CHURCH AND MISSIONS

- Pray that more churches and non-church ministries will be more passionately involved in missions, evangelism, church planting and discipleship. And they will do this by the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Lk.24:49; Acts1:8; Mk.16:15. Ask the Lord to send more missionaries to unreached people groups.
- Pray that the Church will have willingness and passion to commit more resources to missions and the support and empowering of missionaries.
- Pray for fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon missionaries and the entire church for empowerment to preach the good news, proclaim freedom to prisoners, recovery of sight to the blind and release of the oppressed. Is.61:1-3.

- Pray for missionaries and their families, particularly those in the North strength, wisdom, encouragement, protection, provision, anointing, compassion, revived prayer life, healthy family life, fruitfulness, grace and favor, open heavens, God's presence, courage, peace, joy, holy lifestyle, divine direction, mercy and long life.
- Pray for signs and wonders, healings and deliverance to follow the ministry of missionaries on mission fields because unless people see the power, they will not believe.
- Pray that Nigeria will fulfill her missionary mandate as being one of the twin pillars (with South Africa) to evangelize Africa.

# PRAYER AGAINST EVIL DOERS IN THE NATION

FOCUSING on satanic priesthood that promotes and sustains evil:

- Ps.7:10: Ask the Lord to bring destruction on all category of satanic priesthood including diviners, sorcerers and witches in the nation.
- Ps.9:15-16: Pray that the pit they are digging for the righteous in politics and governance, economy, family and other spheres of the society will swallow them up.
- - Ps.10:15: Ask the Lord to break the arm of every wicked in the land.
- - Ps.11:6: Ask the Lord to rain snares, fire, brimstone upon them
- Zech.13:2: Ask the Lord to swiftly destroy the idols in the land and the priesthood that services their altars.
- - Co.2:15: Ask the Lord to disgrace and make a public spectacle of all agents of satan against the Church including those hiding in churches.

# PRAYER FOR FOUNDATION OF NIGERIA

Lord as a prophetic company, we are standing at the Gate of Time, and we turn again the page of history as we come to the time of the counsels that led to the formation of Nigeria, and Lord we pray:

- Every wicked counsel that went into the formation of Nigeria, we overturn in Jesus Name.
- Every weak material that was deliberately inserted by the colonial powers to form a weak nation incapable of standing upon its feet and fulfilling the mandate of God, Lord we pray; though there be a shaking, we forcefully remove all those materials in Jesus name.
- We turn again to the blue print that YOU designed for our nation, and we insert in the foundation of Nigeria, the original pillars that you designed to carry the nation in Jesus' name.
- Lord we stand on the gate of time and we visit again the foundation of Nigeria. We undo whatever Lord Luggard, his wife, all the colonial Governors of Nigeria, the colonial power of Britain and our founding fathers who they handed over to, have done that is contrary to Your will for our nation.

# PRAYERS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS IN THE NORTH

- Pray for divine restoration of all that Christians have lost in the various religious riots in the North.
- $\circ$  Pray that Christians in the South shall awaken to their responsibility of supporting the

persecuted Christians in the North, prayerfully, financially and materially.

- Decree that no religious riot shall take place again in northern Nigeria or in part of the nation.
- Mt. 16: 18-19 Take authority over every evil spirit behind Boko Haram. Bind & cast them into hell.
- Pray for the entire Middle Belt and North East. Pray that every demon let loose from hell to shed blood in North East and in the Middle Belt shall be bound.
- Cancel every satanic agenda for the entire nation. Nullify every satanic conspiracy against Nigeria.
- Pray that God shall expose and bring to judgment all the people used by evil spirits to initiate, fund and sustain terrorism in northern Nigeria. 2 Thes. 1: 6
- Pray for immediate and lasting peace all over Nigeria.
- Pray for the persecuted church in northern Nigeria as well as in other nations of the world. Pray that God shall give grace and strength to our brethren facing persecutions to remain standing in the faith.
- Pray for supernatural provision of resources to meet the needs of Christians living in places of persecutions.
- Pray for the convicting power of the Holy Spirit to work mightily through the Christians so that their persecutors shall bow to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.
- Pray that in places where Christians have been persecuted and maltreated, the gospel shall prevail and the knowledge of the glory of the Lord shall cover that land, as the waters cover the sea.

## RIGHTEOUSNESS IN GOVERNANCE

- Pray that God shall raise faithful men and women to contest and hold political offices in the nation.
- Pray that everyone who has rigged election at whatever level shall be vomited out of that office. The office which he/she illegally occupies shall rebel against him/her and vomit him/her out.
- Pray that God shall diminish and dismiss from prominence whosoever is using, or has used, political office to embezzle public funds.
- Pray that God shall judge and destroy anyone using political power to shed innocent blood and commit atrocities in the land.
- Pray that the fiery judgment of God shall come expressly upon the corrupt and evil rulers in the land and teach them righteousness. Is. 26: 9-11

# JUDICIARY

- Pray for God's divine intervention that the judiciary shall be purged of every form of corruption and lack of integrity.
- Pray that the spirit of justice and righteousness shall dominate the judiciary in Nigeria.
- God is the Judge of all men. Pray that all those that have been denied justice in Nigeria shall be given justice by the Almighty God.
- Pray that God shall Himself dismiss, disgrace, and diminish every judge and justice that collects money to pervert justice.
- Pray that no unrighteous man or woman shall sit as judge in any court in Nigeria.

# Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2014 – Days of Praises and Thanksgiving

# Sing songs of praises, Hymns, Psalms and worship songs for minimum 2 hours. (Congregation based)

# **PRAYER OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING**

Prayer Leader:

O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good; because His mercy endureth for ever.

Let Israel (OR NIGERIA) now say that His mercy endureth for ever

Let the house of Aaron now say, that His mercy endureth for ever.

Let them now that fear the Lord say, that His mercy endureth for ever (Ps 118:1-4 KJV)

1. Let us now with hearts full of joy and gratitude to God. Thank God for His mercy over the nation generally.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Almighty God for Your mercy over the nation of Nigeria since the amalgamation. We thank You for Your mercy in allowing the British to put this entity together as a nation. We also acknowledge Your mercy for our strategic geographical location in Africa. We thank you for all our rulers and leaders, both past and present.

# Prayer Leader:

2. Let us render thanks for God's mercy on the different tribes.

**Corporate Response:** Father, we thank you for your mercy over the different tribes that make Nigeria. Despite our ethnic or tribal hostility and animosity to one another, You have continued to be merciful to us and have kept us together as one nation over the years.

# Prayer Leader:

3. We must never be forgetful to thank God for forgiveness of sins.

**Corporate Response:** Our Lord we thank You for not dealing with us according to our sins as a nation. We thank You for forgiving our many sins as a nation. Despite the fact that wickedness pervades our society, You have always forgiven our sins when we cry unto You in repentance. We thank You for the blood of Jesus Christ by which we receive atonement.

4. Let us be thankful for God's prophetic agenda.

**Corporate Response:** Lord, we thank You for your special interests and plans for Nigeria. We thank You Lord for the prophetic words You have spoken over Nigeria through Your servants in history. Thank You for carefully and systematically bringing these prophecies to fulfillment before our eyes.

# Prayer Leader:

5. Let us be thankful for our intercessors and watchmen.

**Corporate Response:** Thank You Lord for raising intercessors and watchmen who labour day and night for the fulfillment of Your propose in the nation. We thank You for Nigeria Prays, Intercessors for Nigeria, and other national intercessory bodies. Thank You Lord for the work of national intercession at all levels of society.

# Prayer Leader:

6. Let us be grateful to God for numerous prayer testimonies.

**Corporate Response:** Our Lord we thank You for the many results of prayer we see in our nation on a daily basis. We thank You for encouraging us with answers to prayers over national issues. Thank You for the answers to prayers recorded daily at various national prayer altars. Thank You also for sustaining the fire of prayer on those altars.

# Prayer Leader:

7. We need to bless our God also for god's creational favour.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Lord for Your creational favours in Nigeria. Thank You for the Atlantic Ocean through which huge commerce comes to the nation. Thank You for one of the best agricultural climate in the world. We thank You Lord for a fertile land rich in mineral deposits. Thank You for the gift of abundant deposit of petroleum and natural gas.

# Prayer Leader:

8. Let us thank the Lord for the abundant tourist attractions in Nigeria

**Corporate Response:** Lord, we thank You for the natural attractions that bring tourists to our nation regularly. Thank You for Olumo rock, Ikogosi Warm Springs, Oguta lake, Zuma Rock, Aso Rock, Azumini Blue River Rose, Ogbunike Cave, Obudu Cattle Ranch, Silicon Hill, NOK Village, Bible She, Wikki Warm Springs, Lake Chad, Matsirga Waterfalls, etc.

# Prayer Leader:

9. Lord, we are rendering thanks for creative and intellectual power.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Lord for the gift of creativity and intellectual prowess displayed by Nigerians all over the world. Thank You for the international achievements of Nigerians in arts, music, movies, science, and business.

# Prayer Leader:

10. We have come to give thanks for our ruggedness and never-give-up spirit.

**Corporate Response:** We bless You Father for the resilience and never-give-up attitude of Nigerians. We thank You for a people that are not easily discouraged in spite of the many political and economic challenges facing the nation. Thank You for a people who are generally happy in disposition.

# Prayer Leader:

11. Let us show God our gratitude for the absence of natural disasters.

**Corporate Response:** Father, we thank You for the providential absence of natural disasters in our nation. Thank You for sparing our nation from the ordeals of earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and tsunamis. We have seen what other nations have suffered from these disasters, and we are grateful to You Lord for not allowing their occurrence in our nation.

# **Prayer Leader:**

12. Let us thank God for a resilient economy.

**Corporate Response:** Father, we thank You for a resilient economy that has managed to thrive despite the daily assaults of treasury looters. We thank You for an economy that is growing daily. Thank You for the banking, manufacturing, and service sectors. Thank You for the flourishing conglomerates, indigenous organizations, and upcoming entrepreneurs.

# **Prayer Leader:**

13. We have come to thank God for an investment friendly population.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Lord for giving us a population that has become the target and haven of many investors. We thank You for the different ethnic groups that make up this population.

# Prayer Leader:

14. Let us thank God for the progress of the Church

**Corporate Response:** Father, we thank You for the progress of the different Christian denominations in Nigeria over the years. We thank You Lord for the thousands of Churches that are thriving in the cities and rural areas of Nigeria. Thank You for the availability of Bibles and the continued missionary efforts of Christians in the villages.

15. Let us thank God for diverse divine interventions.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Lord for Your interventions at various instances in our history when the nation was at political or leadership crossroads. We thank You for Your intervention during the turbulence of military dictatorships and the June 12 saga. We thank You also for Your interventions during the coups and the unpatriotic attempts to break the nation into fragments. Thank You also for not allowing the civil war agenda to prosper. Father, we say we are grateful that Nigerians did not become refugees all over Africa.

# Prayer Leader:

16. We offer thanks to God for the constant arrest of religious tension.

**Corporate Response:** Lord we are grateful to You for the way You have helped us to manage religious terrorism in the nation. We thank You Lord for the recent arrest of some extremist religious sects in the nation. Thank You for granting effective wisdom and strategy to the government and security forces to maintain peace in the nation.

# **Prayer Leader:**

17. Let us be thankful for successful transition of governments.

**Corporate Response:** Our Lord, we bless You for the successful elections and transition of governments in the past. Even though we cannot guarantee the credibility of some elections, we however thank you for bloodless and violence-free transition of governments. We thank You Lord for the legal provisions that encouraged these smooth transitions. Thank You for allowing aggrieved politicians to seek redress through non-violent means.

# Prayer Leader:

18. Let us appreciate the Lord for His mercy over youth restiveness.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Lord for the way You have helped the government to manage youth restiveness in Nigeria. Thank You for helping Nigerian youths to think constructively and positively about Nigeria. At a time in history when youths are mobilizing for mass protests in some nations of the world, to cause mayhems and change of government. We thank You for making our youths to believe in the Nigerian project despite their frustrations with the Nigerian system. We are grateful that the agenda of violence and destruction has not succeeded in Nigeria.

# Prayer Leader:

19. Let us thank God for what He has done before and what He is presently doing through the government in the area of infrastructural development.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You Lord for the level of infrastructural developments going on in the nation. Even though it is obvious that we could have done much better, we are still

grateful to You for the little You have helped us to achieve in this regard. Thank You Lord for the progress we have made so far in providing basic infrastructure for our people.

# Prayer Leader:

20. To our God, we give thanks for improvement in critical sectors.

**Corporate Response:** We thank You O Lord for the improvement in our aviation and power sector. Even though we are yet to record optimum efficiency in these sectors, we are however grateful that there are noticeable improvements. We thank You for the sanity that is gradually coming into these sectors. We thank You also for the revolution that is taking place in the agriculture sector. We are also grateful for the significant success in the fight against HIV/AIDS pandemic, malaria scourge, polio, guinea worm, and infant and maternity mortality. Be blessed forever O God.

We give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever

We give thanks unto the God of gods: for His mercy endureth forever

We give thanks to the Lord of lords: for His mercy endureth forever.

To Him who alone doeth great wonders: for His mercy endureth forever. (Psa 136.1-4)

# **MORE THANKSGIVING**

O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good; because His mercy endureth for ever. Let NIGERIA now say that His mercy endureth for ever. Let all Nigerians now say, that His mercy endureth for ever. Let the church say that His mercies endureth forever. Let them now that fear the Lord say, that His mercy endureth for ever. *To Him who alone doeth great wonders: for His mercy endureth forever.* 

- We thank You Almighty God for Your mercy over the nation of Nigeria since the amalgamation. We thank You for Your mercy in allowing the British to put this entity together as a nation. We also acknowledge Your mercy for our strategic geographical location in Africa. We thank you for all our rulers and leaders, both past and present.
- Father, we thank you for your mercy over the different tribes that make Nigeria. Despite our ethnic or tribal hostility and animosity to one another, You have continued to be merciful to us and have kept us together as one nation over the years.

- Father, we thank You for not dealing with us according to our sins as a nation. Despite the fact that wickedness pervades our society, You have always forgiven our sins when we cry unto You in repentance. We thank You for the blood of Jesus Christ by which we receive atonement.
- We thank You Lord for your special interests and plans for Nigeria Your prophetic agenda for the nation. The prophetic words You have spoken over Nigeria through Your servants in history. Thank You for carefully and systematically bringing these prophecies to fulfillment before our eyes.
- Ezekiel 22:30. Father we thank You Lord for raising intercessors and watchmen by Yourself to stand in the gap for the nation. Thank You for Your grace that has enabled them to labour day and night for the fulfillment of Your propose in the nation. Thank You Lord for the work of national intercession at all levels of society.
- We thank You for the many results of prayer we see in our nation on a daily basis. We thank You for encouraging us with answers to prayers over national issues. *Mention the ones you know* – *Ebola, victory for the armed forces, success of the national conference, peaceful governorship elections, the revolution that is taking place in the agriculture sector, the significant success in the fight against HIV/AIDS pandemic, malaria scourge, polio, guinea worm, and infant and maternal mortality, improvement in electricity supply etc.*
- Thank You for the answers to prayers recorded daily at various national prayer altars. We thank You for encouraging us with answers to prayers over national issues. Thank You also for sustaining the fire of prayers on these altars.
- We thank You Lord for Your creational favours in Nigeria. Thank You for the Atlantic Ocean through which huge commerce comes to the nation. Thank You for one of the best agricultural climates in the world. We thank You Lord for a fertile land rich in mineral deposits. Thank You for the gift of abundant deposits of petroleum and natural gas.
- We thank You Lord for the gift of creativity and intellectual prowess displayed by Nigerians all over the world. Thank You for the international achievements of Nigerians in arts, music, movies, science, and business. We bless You Father for the resilience and never-give-up attitude of Nigerians. We thank You for a people that are not easily discouraged in spite of the many political and economic challenges facing the nation. Thank You for a people who are generally happy in disposition.
- Father, we thank You for the providential absence of natural disasters in our nation. Thank You for sparing our nation from the ordeals of earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, bush fires, hurricanes and tsunamis. We have seen what other nations have suffered from these disasters, and we are grateful to You Lord for not allowing their occurrence in our nation.

- We thank You for a resilient economy that has managed to thrive despite the daily assaults of treasury looters. We thank You for an economy that is growing daily. Thank You for the banking, manufacturing, and service sectors. Thank You for the flourishing conglomerates, indigenous organizations, and upcoming entrepreneurs and making Nigeria attractive to foreign investors.
- We thank You Lord for Your interventions at various instances in our history when the nation was at political or leadership crossroads. We thank You for Your intervention during the turbulence of military dictatorships and the June 12 saga. We thank You also for Your interventions during the coups and the unpatriotic attempts to break the nation into fragments. Thank You also for not allowing the civil war agenda to prosper. Father, we say we are grateful that Nigerians did not become refugees all over Africa.
- Lord, we are grateful to You for the way You have helped us to manage religious terrorism in the nation. We thank You Lord for the recent arrest of some extremist religious sects in the nation. Thank You for granting effective wisdom and strategy to the government and security forces to maintain peace in the nation.
- Our Lord, we bless You for the successful elections and transition of governments in the past.
  Even though we cannot guarantee the credibility of some elections, we however thank you for bloodless and violence-free transition of governments. We thank You Lord for the legal provisions that encouraged these smooth transitions. Thank You for allowing aggrieved politicians to seek redress through non-violent means.
- We thank You Lord for the way You have helped the government to manage youth restiveness in Nigeria. Thank You for helping Nigerian youths to think constructively and positively about Nigeria at a time in history when youths are mobilizing for mass protests in some nations of the world, to cause mayhems and change of government. We thank You for making our youths to believe in the Nigerian project despite their frustrations with the Nigerian system. We are grateful that the agenda of violence and destruction has not succeeded in Nigeria.

# Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2014

It is suggested that the preacher on this day use 2 Chro. 7: 14 as the text for the sermon. The church should acknowledge before God the sins, iniquities, and transgressions in the Nigerian nation and in the Nigerian church.

After the sermon, prayers could be said like this. Assemblies are at liberty to add to what is suggested.

# **CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE OF NATIONAL SINS**

Anchor Scriptures: Jer. 18:8; Isa. 59:1-4; 2 Chro. 7:14; 1 John 1:8-10

## Prayer Leader:

1) The Scriptures say in Proverbs 14:34 that "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people". The consequences of national sins are enormous according to the Scripture in Jeremiah 5:25 "Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withholden good things from you". We know O God that our sins which are many and varied have contributed in no small measure to our present suffering and reproach. We now penitently ask You to forgive, cleanse and rid us of all our sins and transgressions.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

2) Father, we confess our sins and repent of any way we have contributed to the problems of this nation in our words and throughout deeds

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

3) Father we confess and repent as a nation of the sins of disobedience and rebellion to You in Jesus Name.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

4) Eternal God, we confess and repent before You of the sin of bloodshed, kidnapping, assassination, ritual killings, armed robbery, abortion, sexual immorality and sexual perversion

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

5) We confess and repent before You of the sin of idolatry, worship of the sun, the moon, the stars and other images of jealousy.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

6) O Lord, we acknowledge and repent of the sins of witchcraft, sorcery, divination, occultism, and spiritism.

**Corporate Response:** Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

7) We confess and repent of the activities of high level occultism and bewitchment in the nation beginning from the seat of power.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

8) O most merciful Father, we confess and repent of all forms of sexual promiscuity and perversion in the nation; homosexuality, lesbianism, sodomy, incest, child marriage, etc.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

9) We confess and repent of every form of corruption in Jesus' Name

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

10) Father, we confess and repent of the sin of worship of the queen of heaven beginning from the families, the church and every sphere of government in Jesus' name.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

11) We confess and repent of every form of social oppression in the nation; racism, tribalism, oppression and affliction of workers, human trafficking and slavery, child abuse and unjust gain.

#### Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

12) Our God in heaven, we confess and repent on behalf of our leaders the sins of greed, extortion, covetousness, injustice, selfishness, laziness, money politics, stealing, wastage, corruption, misappropriation of public funds, robbery, religious intolerance, buck passing, lawlessness, indiscipline, indolence, favoritism, ineptitude, mediocrity, greed, selfishness and godlessness.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

13) Abba Father, we confess and repent on behalf of the church of God in this land, we acknowledge the sins of denominational pride, indifference to the plight of the nation, merchandizing of the anointing, false doctrines, disunity, pride, falsehood, distortion of the gospel message, not being the salt and the light of the world, title craze, empire building, hero worship, exploitation, covetousness, false values, materialism, worldliness, insensitivity, lying, pulpit witchcraft, spiritual manipulation, prayerlessness, godlessness, narrow mindedness and immorality.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

14) We confess and repent on behalf of the men of this nation for lack of proper godly fatherhood, wife battering, laziness, violence, stealing, lawlessness, occultism, drug trafficking and fraud.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

15) Our King and our God, we confess and repent on behalf of the women of Nigeria the sins of negligence, nudity, carelessness in child upbringing, prayerlessness, indecency, immorality, prostitution, witchcraft, manipulation, pretence, abortion and deception.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

16) We confess and repent on behalf of the Armed Forces, the Nigeria Police, the Custom Service, the Immigration Service, the Directorate of State Security, the Civil Defence, the Road Safety, the Prison Service and other security services. We confess the sins of extortion, extra-judicial killings, sexual pollution, brutalization of innocent citizens, intimidation of citizens, falsehood, negligence, compromise, sabotage, occultism, lack of patriotism, corruption, dishonesty and wickedness.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

17) Merciful God, we confess and repent on behalf of the teenagers and the youths, the sins of disobedience to parents, stealing, teenage pregnancy, robbery, ATM, credit card and internet fraud, cultism, exam malpractices, oppression of the elderly, drug trafficking, prostitution, vandalism, militancy, bloodshed, kidnapping, rape, bunkering, idleness, etc in Jesus' name.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

18) We confess with shame and repent of the sins of the Judiciary and our law makers. We confess the sins of miscarriage of justice, bribe taking, greed, wickedness, selective application of the law, inducement to do wrong, occultism, compromise, corruption and lack of the fear of God.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

19) Our God in heaven, we have not only brought shame and reproach upon Your name in our land, but our sins and iniquities have also gone international. We have become a reproach to our neighbours in Africa and we have gained international notoriety in all forms of crimes.

**Corporate Response:** Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

20) Father, behold a nation that is so rich, so blessed, yet the citizens are so poor, miserable and suffering because of the greed and wickedness of our rulers and our leaders

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### **Prayer Leader:**

21) Behold! O Lord, the cry of the orphans, the widows, the poor and the oppressed in the land.

Corporate Response: Forgive us and show us mercy, O Lord

#### Prayer Leader:

22) Do not delay to hear us O Lord God of heaven and the earth. Be quick to forgive, pardon, cleanse and rescue us, so that the bones that are broken may rejoice again this nation. Let Nigeria be Christ's blood-washed, and make us whiter than snow. Turn us again to Yourself and accept us as Your people. Create in us a new heart and renew a right spirit within us. Take away our hearts of stone and give us the heart of flesh. So shall we become a holy people the delight of the Lord.

**Corporate Response:** Forgive your people O Lord and deliver us from all evils, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# CENTENNIAL DECREES OF THE CHURCH IN NIGERIA

#### TO BE PRAYED IN ALL CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLIES AFTER THE NATIONAL REPENTANCE

## The Agreement and Decrees of National Preservation, Transformation, Peace, and Sustained Rapid Progress

In this centennial season as we step into our second century in existence as a nation, we the Church in Nigeria, which is vital part of the Body of Christ Worldwide, hereby make this prayer of agreement and issue these spiritual decrees in the exalted name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ:

#### Prayer Leaders:

#### 1. Indivisibility and Sanctity of Nigeria:

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, AS GOVERNOR AND POSSESSOR OF THE EARTH has a purpose for Nigeria in its present expanse. And since Nigeria came into existence about a century ago with His knowledge and approval, we, therefore, agree and decree on earth and let it be ratified in heaven that Nigeria shall not be divided, fragmented or otherwise dismembered. We nullify all satanic prophecies predicting disintegration for Nigeria. We declare that these ungodly prophecies be rendered null and void. They shall not stand neither shall they come to pass in Jesus' name.

#### Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

# Prayer Leaders:

# 2. Peace And Unity:

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS it is good and pleasant when men dwell together in unity. It attracts God's blessings and makes great accomplishments easier (Psalm 133), we, therefore, agree and decree that, though genuine peace and unity have eluded Nigeria in the past 100 years, from today and for the next 100 years and beyond, Nigeria shall enjoy unqualified peace in all its borders. Nigeria, "Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity be in your businesses and households" (Psalm 122.7). No war or violent conflicts shall break out again. The sort of genocide witnessed in Rwanda; or breakup in Yugoslavia, Ethiopia and Sudan will not happen in Nigeria. No group or segment of Nigeria shall oppress or afflict another on account of tribe, creed or political leaning the peace of God that surpasses all understanding shall envelope Nigeria; the Prince of Peace Himself shall rule our land and divinely grant us His peace, unity and progress. As a nation under God, we declare we shall forever live in peace and unity, in Jesus name.

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

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# 3. Righteousness, Morality, Social Order:

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS "righteousness exalts a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Prov. 14.34). We stand on this sacred scripture and in complete agreement decree that corruption be wiped out of our nation, that righteousness be enthroned, that proper social order take root, and Nigeria be firmly established on a sound moral foundation. We cancel by this divine decree the sin of homosexuality, child marriage and all forms of marriages that contradict the will of God. We agree and decree that these become eternally illegal in Nigeria. Let God stop, frustrate and disgrace any individual, organization or nation that tries to change this decree in the name of Jesus Christ.

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

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# 4. Good Governance:

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS, "Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes eat in the morning," i.e. before work is accomplished (Eccl. 10:16). THE WORD OF GOD ALSO SAYS "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked rule, the people mourn" (Prov.29:2). We stand on these scriptures in agreement and decree that only righteous, mature, properly prepared, visionary, transformational and selfless persons should rule Nigeria henceforth. God Almighty, please in Your mercy, entrench and sustain good governance in Nigeria through such leaders and elevate Nigeria unto honour and glory.

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

# Prayer Leaders:

# 5. The Reign of God Almighty:

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS "Blest is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 33:22). In affirmation of our complete trust in God, we stand on this sacred scripture to declare and decree this day that God Almighty shall rule and reign over Nigeria forever for "The kingdoms

of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" in Jesus name, Amen.

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

## Prayer Leaders:

# 6. Transformation from Glory to Glory:

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS, "In Christ was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and darkness cannot overcome it" (John 1:4-5). We therefore decree and declare that the light of Christ shall shine on Nigeria to banish all darkness and expose all evil. We decree that every root of confusion, mediocrity, corruption, ineptitude, stagnation, socioeconomic degradation or retrogression be uprooted completely and permanently in the name of Jesus. Almighty God, in Your mercy, please let the angels and spirits of transformation begin their work in Nigeria now. Let them help to rebuild the nation according to God's pattern and will. Let this nation be transformed from glory to glory and let the name of the Lord be praised in and on account of Nigeria forever more in Jesus name.

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

# Prayer Leaders:

# 7. Fulfillment of Divine Purpose:

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS in Jer. 32:27 **"Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me"?** Because God has specific plans and purposes for every nation on earth, God has a divine purpose for Nigeria as expressed in its size, large population, vast resources, the light of the gospel in her midst, and the witness of various prophets within and outside Nigeria. We, therefore, agree and decree that Nigeria shall wholly fulfill God's plan for its existence: it shall be a holy nation; a people chosen of God; a light-bearer to the ends of the earth. We decree: our nation shall become and remain a perpetual blessing till Christ comes again to take us home.

We declare that the specific and tested prophetic words of God through His anointed servants over Nigeria will prevail over the contrary predictions of men. The Lord has spoken through His anointed servants thus,

- "Remember, I the Lord drew the map of Nigeria, not Lugard, therefore says the Lord, Nigeria shall not break-up.
- "Nigeria shall fulfill my counsel for the black race, the race that has been despised and enslaved. I will show forth my glory on the despised and enslaved".
- The way America is held in high esteem that every man in the world desires to go there, so shall I make Nigeria. No black man would like to die without visiting Nigeria to see my wonders"
- "Nigeria; though you have passed through the valley of shadow of death and shall yet pass through the valley of the shadow of death, thus saith the Lord, you shall not die, but you shall live.
- Nigeria, men shall honour you and seek your friendship; men shall come from different nations to behold my glory in your midst".
- **\*** "Nigeria, you are a chosen nation in God's plan".

We declare that these words of God that have gone out of his mouth over Nigeria will not return to Him void, but shall accomplish all His desires for Nigeria, in Jesus name.

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

#### Prayer Leaders:

#### 8. Laying a New Foundation:

WE RECOGNIZE that no structure, institution or nation can rise above the strength of its foundation; and that the one sure foundation given by God to mankind is Jesus, **"For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ".** We proclaim that Nigeria now be re-laid upon the foundation of Jesus Christ. Even as God desires that His will be done on earth as it is in heaven, just as the heavenly city is adorned with twelve precious stones (Rev. 21;10-20), let Nigeria's foundation be adorned with twelve-fold virtues of Righteousness, Justice, Fear of God, Love, Unity, Peace, Faith, Integrity, Wisdom, Mercy, Patriotism and Excellence. We decree that these will be your new foundation; O you land, from henceforth and forever in Jesus name, Amen

Corporate Response: So let it be, O Lord our God and Redeemer.

#### Prayer Leaders:

#### Sealing The Decrees:

As we step into Nigeria's second century, and with absolute faith in God that it will be a century of greater glory and unstoppable rising for Nigeria henceforth to global spiritual and socioeconomic prominence, we make these DECREES OF NATIONAL PRESERVATION, TRANSFORMATION, PEACE, AND ACCELERATED PROGRESS FOR NIGERIA in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We also decree that any agreement, alignment, decree, invocation, divination, incantation, sorcery, enchantment, collusion, manipulation, foundation, prayer or other spiritual or physical act, private or official; now, in the past, or in the future that is contrary to the standards, will and purposes of the Almighty God for Nigeria be frustrated, void and of no effect. We seal these decrees with the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ, that was shed for us and cause them to be ratified by Parliament of Heaven, to the eternal glory of God and King. Even so, Almighty God, Thy will be done, Thy kingdom come, and Thy name be glorified in Nigeria henceforth evermore, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Corporate Response: Halleluyah, Halleluyah, Let Your will be done in our land and Your kingdom come O God.

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