## Proud to Serve in Worship

Opening Prayer Song Leader Communion Assist Assist Dismiss Services June 7, 2020 Charles Hall Joe Burnsed Joe Burnsed Wade White Kenneth Jenks Barry Blackburn June 14, 2020 Joe Holloway Sr Joe Burnsed Charles Hall Kenneth Jenks Mike Reinitz Joe Burnsed

## Announcements

Calendar for June-on table in foyer

Work Day – scheduled for last week has been postponed. Watch here for the time and date

Save Food Pantry Items, Cans, peanut butter Bookmark our Facebook page. And add

<u>EllabellChurchofChrist@hotmail.com</u> to your contact list. Brother Paul asksthatyousimplyemailhimanythingyouwanttoappearon the Facebook page; pictures, announcements, etc.

**CallList**–There are forms on the back table if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

**Prayer List**-There is a form on the back table to add names to the prayer list.

**Worship Services Online**–Go to our website and there is a link at the bottom. Join us from anywhere in the world online. Subscribe to our You Tube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5OdoHWTNUba av5NqR Vfg

Worship Zoom Meetings – add your email at you will get an email when we have services





## REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2020 (TOM EKPOT JR)

Dearly beloved, greetings from my family and I to you all in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We join the host of others in welcoming you to the month of June. The last four months have been a hectic time around the world. But we cannot complain than to appreciate God for His doing. Sometimes when God permits things like the COVID 19 in the world, several questions are raised, especially by those who do not know God. But God remains God, even if the whole doubts His power. Thank you for your prayers on our behalf, we too have been praying for you. Until Christ comes, the kingdom of Christ on earth will continue rise above the kingdom of Satan. Therefore, no situation will stop us from glorifying God in every possible way available to us.

It is interesting to see Church meeting places opened again for worship activities. I know we missed the fellowship with one another, which our virtual worship services could not complement. Here in Plateau State, we are allowed to meet only in small groups of not more than 50 people. So we have been meeting for our worship services ever since the coming of the corona virus into Nigeria. We only missed meeting together one Sunday when everywhere was placed in a curfew. Both at Mazah Roach Church of Christ and the Foron Mission Church, our meetings have been regular. So far, no Christian in Plateau and outside Plateau has suffered from the COVID 19 pandemic directly, except for the effect of the virus spread on the society. Our prayers are answered on daily basis and our faith is strengthened in God the more. In some states in Nigeria, religious centers are now opened for worship services only on Sundays, few other states are still working on the modality for reopening. The irony of the whole thing is that markets are opened for business. I see this as part of Satan's gimmicks to discourage the Children of God from serving God. I do not see any reason markets are opened for business and Churches are not allowed to meet as regularly as they would want it as if the church aided in the spread of COVID 19. I however thank God for allowing me some privileges to work with these small congregations to aid them maintain their faith during this difficult time. The congregations of the Lord at Mazah Road and Foron Mission are doing well. I could not get to the New Foron Village throughout this pandemic period in Nigeria. However, I have been in touch with them through phone calls. They are doing well. Also, the Church at Toro is also doing well even though I have not been there since last March. The interstate boundary closure would not even allow me cross since Toro is in another state.

Across the Nation, schools are closed. It is not known when they government will allow full activities again in School as they are not sincere with their plans. Initially, elementary schools were to resume next week 7<sup>th</sup> June, but now Government have changed their earlier agreement. At the School of Biblical Studies, we have gathered our final year students to finish up the semester with them so that the foreign students can return to their



Students in their classroom



Students in their ICT lab

some of them in their classes:

Our evangelism activities are really affected. The only one that is now working is our studies by correspondence. Even though we are not getting the volume of lessons we were giving out, yet some of our prospects are continuing with their studies. We must all determine that the kingdom of God must overcome the kingdom of darkness in our time. What is happening around the world is a test of faith. May God give us the grace to overcome every bit of Satan's scheme. May God see us through this month as He did last month. Once again, thank you so much for your sacrifices for the cause of Christ.

most of them have over staved, and their passports are expiring. Any further delay will be bad. If God allows us, before June is over, the final year Students will be done with their exams. It is easy this easy this way because most of the students were still around, they did not travel during the closure of schools. Here are pictures of

country. Already,