

Order of service:

10:30pm-11:15pm Worship (Ps. Jeyakumar)
Reflection/Prayer time (WT continues to play)
Offering (WT continues to play. Can do a special song)
FTV Welcome
Video: "2015 Year in review" video
(may read out a few testimonies)
12Midnight Wish everyone a HNY
12Midnight WoL Sermon Intro video
Sermon
Response/Ministry time (WT on stage)
Communion (WT on stage)
Appointing of Melkisedek & Christina as youth pastors
Distribution of magnets
Close service

Word of the Lord 2016 2016 : A Year to Consolidate

Strengthen what you have

A word of instruction..something we need to do, act on. When we follow through on a word of instruction, this leads into a blessing, a reward.

Psalm 84:5-7

5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in You, Whose heart is set on pilgrimage.
6 As they pass through the Valley of Baca, They make it a spring; The rain also covers it with pools.

7 They go from strength to strength; Each one appears before God in Zion.

Our journey through life is like a pilgrimage. As we make this journey we are to go from strength to strength, increasing in strength.

Valley of Baca, weeping. Not a literal valley, but any place of tears; a valley with bushes and thorns, which could not be passed without labor and tears, a valley of weeping.

In order to go from strength to strength, we need to CONSOLIDATE.

To CONSOLIDATE means to make something stronger. It also involves the idea of bringing a number of things together into a unifying whole that is stronger that its individual components.

So in 2016:

- ✓ strengthen your hold on what you have
- ✓ raise up your defenses and secure what is yours
- ✓ solidify your standing making yourself firm and unshakable



Do this in every area of your life: your spiritual life, personal life (family, marriage, children, finance), professional life.

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The opposite of Consolidate is to decrease, disperse, scatter, weaken. So if we do not consolidate we end up in a weaker position than we need to be.

You resurrected dreams have started taking shape. Now it is time to carefully consolidate what God has released and entrusted you with.

Consolidate whatever you have - even the little you have

Some of us may feel we do not have much. We may have very little. We may wonder/question what do I have in order to consolidate?

In God's Kingdom faithfulness in the little is what positions you for increase.

Do not despise the day of small things. When you consolidate the little, you are positioning yourself for the more.

Whatever God has given you, whatever progress you have made, whatever ground you have covered, strengthen what you have. Consolidate.

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WHY CONSOLIDATE?

#1, so that you don't lose what you have

The farmer works hard for his fields to produce. When harvest comes, he does not leave the produce out on the field. He consolidates - he gathers the produce into the barn.

e.g. in the things you have been taught spiritually

Hebrews 2:1

1 Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away.

#2, so that you don't let someone take away what is yours

God has made you a steward of what He has given to you. A steward must guard and manage what has been entrusted to him.

John 10:10 the enemy comes to take away what is ours

The enemy comes to steal the Word sown in our hearts (Matthew 13:19).

The cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, the lust for other things rob us of the power of God's Word (Mark 4:19)



#3, so that you don't lose ground you have gained

(so that you don't have to repeat the same things)

1 Kings 20:1-43 (King Benhadad of Syria and Ahab king of Israel)

1 Kings 20:21-22

- 21 Then the king of Israel went out and attacked the horses and chariots, and killed the Syrians with a great slaughter.
- 22 And the prophet came to the king of Israel and said to him, "Go, strengthen yourself; take note, and see what you should do, for in the spring of the year the king of Syria will come up against you."

1 Kings 20:42,43

- 42 Then he said to him, "Thus says the LORD: 'Because you have let slip out of your hand a man whom I appointed to utter destruction, therefore your life shall go for his life, and your people for his people.' "
- 43 So the king of Israel went to his house sullen and displeased, and came to Samaria.

About three years later king Ahab was killed in conflict against the Syrian army.

#4, so that you are ready to transition to the next level

Consolidation is not inactivity.

Consolidation is preparation for growth and expansion.

Consolidate everything you receive at each new level (revelation, anointing, experience, impartation) so that you can use that as your stepping stone into the next level in God.

God takes us from glory to glory, from strength to strength. Each new level is only a "stepping stone" into the next level.

HOW DO YOU CONSOLIDATE?

#1, Reflect on your victories

1 Samuel 17:33-37

- 33 And Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are a youth, and he a man of war from his youth."
- 34 But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep his father's sheep, and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb out of the flock,
- 35 I went out after it and struck it, and delivered the lamb from its mouth; and when it arose against me, I caught it by its beard, and struck and killed it.
- 36 Your servant has killed both lion and bear; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, seeing he has defied the armies of the living God."



37 Moreover David said, "The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." And Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you!"

Consolidate your victories by deriving key lessons from them. Build on successes.

Every battle you win is only a preparation for greater conquests ahead. The lions and the bears are only preparing you for your goliaths.

#2, Learn from your struggles

1 Peter 5:10

10 But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.

Turn your struggles into stepping stones.

To learn from our mistakes we must face them head-on and work through them, not run away from them.

#3, Refuse to tolerate what weakens you

Refuse to let fear or intimidation weaken you

PEOPLE OF ISRAEL

From the time of their Exodus from Egypt, till the end of their time at Horeb (Mt. Sinai), was 1 year, 1 month and 5 days. From Horeb they had a 11-day journey to Kadesh, right on the East of the river Jordan. This is where they sent out 12 spies who came back with their report. The people of Israel choose to believe the report of the 10 spies, and eventually ended up wandering around Mt. Seir for 38 years. Mt. Seir was a mountain range 70 miles N-S, and 30 miles E-W. The people of Israel spent 38 years going around the mountain, until God said 'You have skirted this mountain long enough; turn northward.' (vs 3). Deuteronomy 2:1-3

Nehemiah 6:9

9 For they all were trying to make us afraid, saying, "Their hands will be weakened in the work, and it will not be done." Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands.

sin and compromise weakens

Job 17:9

Yet the righteous will hold to his way, And he who has clean hands will be stronger and stronger.

There could be other things that weaken you: friends, the company you keep, habits, laziness, wasting time, wrong thinking, etc.



1 Timothy 6:20

O Timothy! Guard what was committed to your trust, avoiding the profane and idle babblings and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge—

#4, Do away with the unnecessary

John 15:2

2 Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

The reward for fruitfulness at one level, is more pruning, so that you can go to a greater level of fruitfulness.

Hebrews 12:1

- 1 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,
- 4 You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin.

Hebrews 12:11-13

- 11 Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.
- 12 Therefore strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees,
- 13 and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated, but rather be healed.

#5, Wait on the Lord for strength and wisdom

Psalm 27:14

Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!

Learn to wait, rest, pause before God and listen to Him.

Pray that God will strengthen what He has given you.

Wisdom and knowledge establishes stability.

Always operate from a position of strength

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Don't lose what you have

Don't let someone take away what is yours



Don't lose ground you have gained Get ready to transition to the next level

- #1, Reflect on your victories
- #2, Learn from your struggles
- #3, Refuse to tolerate what weakens you
- #4, Do away with the unnecessary
- #5, Wait on the Lord for strength and wisdom

AS A CHURCH WE MUST CONSOLIDATE IN 2016

APC began in a small way on Sun Feb 18, 2001. In Feb 2016 we will complete 15 years of our existence. We are very grateful to God for the journey so far.

During the first 15 years our focus has been on EQUIPPING God's people. Everything we've done, has in some way been towards this: EQUIPPING believers to grow solid in the Word and the Spirit and be ready to serve the Lord.

In 2016 we move from being an EQUIPPING church to being a PIONEERING church.

While we will continue to EQUIP God's people and we will never stop doing that, the focus and thrust will be to PIONEER.

If we use the analogy of a bow and arrow, when we set the arrow in place and bend the bow, this is analogous to EQUIPPING people. We are strengthening them, focusing them, getting them ready for something. When we release the arrow, the arrow is now released to PIONEER. The arrow is now PIONEERING - it is piercing and penetrating what it has been released into and finds its target.

Each one of us have been EQUIPPED to PIONEER. We will continue to EQUIP people to be PIONEERS.

What does it mean to PIONEER:

- to do things that have not been done before
- to go where no one has gone before
- to step into unchartered territory and break new ground
- to do things that are new and innovative
- to break past barriers and limitations

We pioneer understanding and application of truth and revelation in our generation.

We pioneer the expansion of the Kingdom into new territories leading from the front, into new frontiers.



"Pioneers have the ability to advance ahead of the others to instill greater confidence into the heart of the rest of the Body of Christ who are following behind. Their forward advancement opens up new doors for effective service for the Church. Their ministry provides a cutting edge to influence and impact society" (Jonathan David)

However,

We must CONSOLIDATE in order to PIONEER.

We must also CONSOLIDATE in order to INCREASE. In 2016 we want to win more souls and make disciples. We want to see each of our locations double in attendance. But in order to do so, we must consolidate. Need to bring everything we have and have learnt, to see increase.

We must also CONSOLIDATE in order to prepare for REVIVAL (or outpouring, move of God, visitation).

All that we have received and will continue to receive, all that we have been teaching and will continue to teach about the Word, Prayer, Faith, Confession, Prophetic, Apostolic, Healing, Deliverance, the Kingdom of God, the House of God and living the Christian life, Revival, Missions - we've got to bring all this together and walk in it.

You've heard us repeat some of these statements that we've tried to emphasize over the years:

Who I am in Christ, is who I really am.

God has places He wants you to go, people He wants you to meet, lives He wants you to touch and things He wants you to do, for His Kingdom.

Every believer is a minister.

Our desire is to be a people who are His dwelling place and a people who manifest His glory, in an ever increasing measure.

We are an apostolic and prophetic church. As a prophetic people we walk in tune with His heart, hearing from heaven. As an apostolic people we step out and do things that have not been done before.

We desire to walk in revival and be carriers of revival, so that everywhere we go, we set people ablaze with the fires of revival.

ACTION POINTS FOR US AS A CHURCH:

1, Use Available Resources

One of the good things is that we have all the resources available for all us in various formats. All our sermons since 2004 (about 12 years of teaching) are available online for free. All our publications, currently about 45 titles are available in print and PDF formats. We encourage you to intentionally make an effort to use all the resources available to you.



Testimony of Sirisha. She read all APC books in 1.5 years.

2, Strengthening Through Daily Disciplines

The "Journeying Together" Prayer and Bible Reading Guide. Will release this in print. This "Journeying Together" guide will help us consolidate spiritual disciplines of prayer, Bible reading, intercession, faith, confession and missions.

3, Positioning People and Ministry Teams

In 2016, at APC, we must position people and ministry teams in key/specific areas of ministry so that they will help consolidate what we have been given (the revelation and anointing) in those areas and see those areas grow.

As a Church, in 2016 lets CONSOLIDATE, so that we can prepare for INCREASE, prepare for REVIVAL and prepare to PIONEER.





Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

YOUTUBE: https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore

WEBSITE: https://apcwo.org/live

Our other websites and free resources:

CHURCH: https://apcwo.org

FREE SERMONS: https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons

FREE BOOKS: https://apcwo.org/books/english

DAILY DEVOTIONALS: https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional

JESUS CHRIST: https://examiningjesus.com
BIBLE COLLEGE: https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn
E-LEARNING: https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn

WEEKEND SCHOOLS: https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools

COUNSELING: https://chrysalislife.org

MUSIC: https://apcmusic.org

MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP: https://pamfi.org CHURCH APP: https://apcwo.org/app

CHURCHES: https://apcwo.org/ministries/churches
WORLD MISSIONS: https://apcworldmissions.org