

## News

Please join our weekly ONLINE MEETINGS

Our meetings remain closed due to the spread of the corona virus.

Please download our DOKIMOS app to your phone and receive our audio and video updates at your fingertips. Our weekly devotional is available on the app.

## Prayer

Keep praying diligently for those that are sick and also for families that have lost loved ones due to the pandemic.

## Bank Accounts

### Pastor Ralph Ellaya

Name of Acc: SM Ellaya  
FNB ACC: 60649031585 Branch: 220529

### (Church Account)

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FNB ACC: 6279841999 Branch: 220629

### (Relief Fund Account)

Hill of Blessing NPC  
FNB ACC: 62859574165 Branch: 220629

### Community Development Fund

Dokimos Ministries Int  
FNB ACC: 62734534268 Branch: 220629

## Meetings

All our meetings have been canceled due to the spread of the corona virus.

Our meetings are currently being hosted ONLINE until further notice.

### Tuesday

Online Bible Study 19h00 to 19h45

### Wednesday

Online Prayer 18h30 to 18h45

### Saturday

Online Prayer 08h00 to 08h15

### Sunday

Online Service 09h00

Details for the meetings are communicated via Whatsapp.

Covenant partner with



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# TEST OF FAITH (Part 6)

I will make them and the places all around **MY HILL, A BLESSING**; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing.

- Ezekiel 34:26

Families are encouraged to gather each day to read the devotion, pray and partake of communion

Senior Elders:

**Pastor Ralph and Michelle Ellaya**

## Assessment

Nehemiah 2:13

**13 And I went out by night through the Valley Gate to the Serpent Well and the Refuse Gate, and viewed the walls of Jerusalem which were broken down and its gates which were burned with fire.**

The test of faith ascertains our ability to deal with adversity. When we face adversity we must consider or assess the situation. Nehemiah saw that parts of the walls of Jerusalem were broken down and needed repairs much like parts of our lives.

### Pray:

1. That in times of adversity we would evaluate the situation
2. For insight into why we go through adversity
3. That we would be honest and truthful in our assessment

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## Diagnose the weakness

Joshua 7:10-11

**10 So the LORD said to Joshua: “Get up! Why do you lie thus on your face? 11 Israel has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them.**

Joshua and his men lost a battle because Israel had sinned and broken God's covenant. Sometimes in life we also fail in keeping the covenant. We must diagnose where we fail in our covenant with God and with man.

### Pray:

1. That we will look at our weaknesses and correct them
2. For grace to make us strong where we are weak
3. That our weaknesses would become our strengths in life

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## Stop blaming

Genesis 3:12

**12 Then the man said, “The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.”**

In times of adversity we often look to blame others for our situation. This can lead to relationship breakdowns, marital problems and strife. We also blame God for the situations we find ourselves in. We must stop blaming others and take responsibility for the situations we face. Adam was with Eve when she ate the fruit and did nothing.

### Pray:

1. That we would stop blaming others for our crisis
2. For grace to overcome bitterness and resentment
3. That we would be careful not to sin with our lips

## Reactions

Psalms 37:8-9

**8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath; Do not fret—it only causes harm.**

**9 For evildoers shall be cut off;**

We often react negatively to our adversity. We can get angry and emotionally distressed causing us to say and do things that are very unproductive. Our ability to exercise self control will result in a more positive reaction to the adverse situations we sometimes face. We must trust in the Lord, commit our ways to Him and rest in Him.

### Pray:

1. For self control in adverse times
2. That we would overcome unproductive reactions
3. For our trust and commitment to be totally on the Lord

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## Seek help

2 Chronicles 32:20

**20 Now because of this King Hezekiah and the prophet Isaiah, the son of Amoz, prayed and cried out to heaven.**

King Hezekiah was facing an impending attack from Assyria but he sought the counsel of the prophet Isaiah and they prayed together. We must seek help in times of adversity so that we can get the proper advice and counsel. While we seek professional help we also need to know the word of the Lord for our situations.

### Pray:

1. That we would get the right advice in our trials
2. For Hezekiah Isaiah kind of relationships so that we can receive the counsel of God
3. That we would listen and obey the counsel of God

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## Recover quickly

Proverbs 24:16

**16 For a righteous man may fall seven times And rise again, But the wicked shall fall by calamity.**

We all fail and fall but its how quickly we learn to recover that matters. We must not let our adversity keep us down. We learn from the mistakes we made, we grow from the trials we face and we become stronger so that we can help others. We have to learn to stand up and shake of the dust because greater is He that is in us.

### Pray:

1. That we would reduce our setback recovery time
2. For strength to overcome self pity
3. That the One that is greater, would rise in us so we can overcome our adversity