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ISAIAH 45:22



GLOBAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 7-11 & 23, 2020

# Worshiping God, Who Extends the Divine Invitation!

## WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE THEME Isaiah 45:22

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#### **PRELUDE**

Carol Conner, piano

#### WELCOME

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor

## WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP O Children, Come

Kyrstan Langer, Shelly Hannaford, vocals; Emily Albright, violin; Carrie Smith, piano; Matt Brantley, bass; Greg Wagener, drums

(See page 8 for words and music)

#### \*God Calls Us to Worship Revelation 7:9-12

Reverend Bill Myers

Pastor: I looked and behold, a great multitude that no one could number from every

nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their

hands, and crying out with a loud voice,

People: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Pastor: And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the

elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the

throne and worshiped God, saying,

All: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and

power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

\*We Crown Him Lord of All! No. 296 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

\*WE INVOKE HIS PRESENCE

#### INTRODUCTION OF MISSIONARIES

Donna Middendorf, Director of Missions

## GOD EXPOSES OUR NEED Isaiah 55:1-3a (NIV)

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; listen, hear me that your soul may live.

#### WE CONFESS OUR SIN

## **CHRIST PROVIDES FOR OUR NEED** Isaiah 55:3b-5 (NIV)

I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a ruler and commander of the peoples. Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations you do not know will hasten to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor.



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#### \*GOD REVEALS HIS WORK Acts 14:26-27

From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work that they had fulfilled. And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they declared all that God had done with them, and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

H\*\*\*m & L\*\*a - Sensitive Country, MTW/Enterprise Rob Futo - Hungary, PMI

## \*WE GIVE HIM ALL THE PRAISE No. 731 Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

## WE INVOKE HIS HELP Daniel 9:3a

Nathan Reddick, Elder

Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking him by prayer and pleas for mercy.

### GOD CALLS US TO STEWARDSHIP 1 Chronicles 29:11b, 14

Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. But, who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

#### WE GIVE OUR GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

### WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD! He Is the Rock

Sing! Jr.; Sanctuary Choir; Nathanael Zanders, congas

Ele é a Rocha, Rocha Eterna (He is the Rock, He is the Rock of Ages.) Ele é a Rocha, Mestre e O Pilar (He is the Rock, the Chief and Cornerstone.) Ele é a Rocha, a Fundação Certa (He is the Rock, He is the Sure Foundation.) Confiarei no poder do Senhor

(I will put my trust in the strength of the Lord.)

Chorus: He is the Rock, He is the Rock of Ages. He is the Rock, the Chief and Cornerstone. He is the Rock, He is the Sure Foundation. I will put my trust in the strength of the Lord. I will put my trust in the Lord. My hope is built on nothing less Esperança está somente Than Jesus blood and righteousness. No sangue de Jesus

I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly lean on Jesus' name. (Chorus)

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Children and Children's Church Teachers please come forward **AFTER** the Offertory. **Pre-K & Kindergarten** (Room 205 - upstairs) **1st -3rd** (Children's Chapel - downstairs).

GOD PROCLAIMS HIS WORD
SCRIPTURE TEXT

SERMON TITLE

Dr. Victor Nakah, MTW International Director, Africa Isaiah 45:14-25 | page 606 in the pew Bible

The Divine Invitation - Turning from False to True Religion

#### \*WE EXTEND THE DIVINE INVITATION!

## O Children, Come



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#### \*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fugue a la Gigue in G Major J. S. Bach

Dennis Bergin, organ

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, Rejoice. Philippians 4:4 Rejoice evermore. I Thessalonians 5:16

SERMON NOTES

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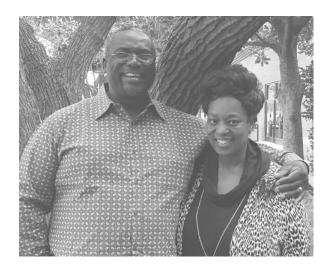
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<sup>\*</sup>Congregation please rise

## Dr. Victor Nakah

MTW International Director, Africa Missions Conference Speaker

Victor and his wife, Nosizo, met in college and are products of the Christian student ministry movement. They were richly impacted by the ministries of Scripture Union in high school and International Fellowship of Evangelical Students in college. Victor later served with both organizations for several years and was instrumental in establishing Christian student groups in universities in Southern Zimbabwe.



Victor is an ordained Presbyterian minister, and has served in various capacities in the church and related organizations. His most recent position was with CURE International, where he served as the Africa regional director for Overseas Council International. He was also a seminary president for 10 years in Zimbabwe. During this time, he earned a master's degree in systematic theology from the University of South Africa and a PhD in systematic theology from Stellenbosch University. Nosizo received a master's degree in information science at the time as well. In addition to his primary ministry as MTW International Director for Sub-Saharan Africa, Victor supervises master's and Ph.D. students attending South Africa Theological Seminary, teaches at the Africa Reformation Theological Seminary (Uganda), and is Extraordinary Researcher for North-West University. The Nakahs have two adult daughters. Victor and Nosizo are also newly supported Twin Oaks Missionaries.

## 6:00 PM Service

Join us this evening in the Sanctuary as we gather together to hear from Dr. Nakah. Then we will break into smaller groups to continue "Global Glimpses," hearing from our conference missionaries about what God is doing in their ministries. Dessert following.

The children's program will be in the lower level Children's Chapel where they will hear from P\*\*l (our banquet speaker) and Dr. Nakah.