

Life Groups & Ministries

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.
(Hebrews 10:24, NIV)

LIGHTHOUSE

August 16, 2026 Family News

The Messenger's Mission

*"Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide,
do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes.
For you will spread out to the right and to the left; your descendants
will dispossess nations and settle in their desolate cities."
(Isaiah 54:2-3, NIV)*

*"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has
been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing
them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and
teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.
And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
(Matthew 28:18-20, NIV)*

Lighthouse, we are sent under Jesus Christ's authority,
entrusted with His message, and assured of His presence
as we influence people for Christ to enlarge God's Kingdom.

Our Vision

Isaiah 54:2-3 Kingdom Enlargement

Mission Statement

Influence people for Christ to enlarge
God's Kingdom.

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Lighthouse Christian Fellowship began
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The Messenger & The Mission Part 1: The Legacy of Authority and Empowerment

(John 15:5,16; 20:19-22; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Philippians 4:13;
2 Corinthians 12:9-10; 2 Corinthians 5:17-20; 1 Peter 2:9-10;
Matthew 5:13-16; John 10:18; 2 Peter 3:9; Romans 1:16; 12:1-2)

The messenger represents the author of the message being delivered. For the Christian messenger, the Author of the Word is the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. And King Jesus sends out His messengers with His authority in the power of His Holy Spirit.

The message of our Lord Jesus is about life, abundant life, eternal life, reconciliation with God. No chance for humanity unless the Blood of Jesus deals with their sins. No other Way. No other Truth. No other Name. Only heartfelt faith in Jesus Christ can have our sins wiped off us. Only then, life from death. Eternal life for eternal death. Born again, a new creation of God, not patched nor plastered!

The enemy of our souls, the devil, stands in the way. He seeks to subjugate the imprisoned from any chance to hear the message of Jesus Christ, let alone believe. And he has his cohorts to help him. There is an ongoing battle for souls.

Messengers relying on their own strength and willpower will soon hit a brick wall. Without our Lord's authority and empowerment, the Message carries little weight, and the Messenger has little impact.

Our Lord Jesus knows we need Him, His authority (the right to), His Presence, and His power (the ability to). So, He provides and delegates. Together with the power of the Holy Spirit and the all-sufficient grace of the Father. Hence, we can deliver the message of God with love and understanding, clarity and conviction, persuasion and power.

Followers of Jesus Christ, His ambassadors, have gone forth into the whole world. And still do. Lighthouse, there is no time to stall or waste. We must be about our Lord's mission devotedly, continually. Remember who is with us, whose Authority and Power are on us! This is the Legacy of Authority and Empowerment! Hallelujah!

Today is good to be filled with the Holy Spirit, empowered for more!

*"In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.
May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you."
(Psalm 33:21-22, NIV)*

TODAY

Morning Prayer @ 8.00 am

Celebrating Our Lord @ 9.00 am
(live stream)

Praise & Worship
Welcome & Prayers
The Word
Ministry
Notices & Birthdays
Benediction

Coffee & Tea

Birthdays

August 16 - Ava Daway
August 17 - Koh Tan

Chosen to Bear Fruit Under His Authority

*"You did not choose me, but I
chose you and appointed you
so that you might go and bear
fruit—fruit that will last—and so
that whatever you ask in my
name the Father will give you."
(John 15:16, NIV)*

Jesus chose us as His
messengers, entrusted us with
His Message, and appointed us
to go and bear lasting fruit for
His Kingdom.

The Messenger's Source and Power

*"I am the vine; you are the branches.
If you remain in me and I in you, you
will bear much fruit; apart from me
you can do nothing."
(John 15:5, NIV)*

*"But you will receive power when
the Holy Spirit comes on you; and
you will be my witnesses in
Jerusalem, and in all Judea and
Samaria, and to the ends of the
earth."
(Acts 1:8, NIV)*

The messenger must remain
connected to Jesus and empowered
by the Holy Spirit to bear fruit and
carry His message to the world.

2026/2027 Church Theme Lighthouse Legacy

01/03 - 36th Church Anniversary
08/03 - Legacy: How We Live to Leave
15/03 to 26/04 - Legacy of Faith and Works
03/05 to 31/05 - Making Faith Work
07/06 to 28/06 - The Message: The Legacy of the Word
05/07 to 26/07 - Reaching Month: What Is Your Legacy
02/08 to 30/08 - The Messenger & The Mission Part 1:
The Legacy of God's People

Empowered to Proclaim Jesus

*"For God has not given us a spirit of fear,
but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord,
nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings
for the gospel according to the power of God."
(2 Timothy 1:7-8, NKJV)*

The messenger does not operate in fear,
but in God's power, love, and wisdom
through the Holy Spirit.

Fearlessly proclaiming Jesus.
The Message of salvation, hope, and love to the world.
Glory to God.

Themes for
the past 10 years
2025/2026
Lighthouse United

2024/2025
Come & Go

2023/2024
The Good Life

2022/2023
OUTSIDERS

2021/2022
complete **7** perfect

2020/2021
Contrast: Jesus Is
The Difference

2019/2020
Who Am I? Jesus Is:
Therefore, You Are

2018/2019
City On A Hill

2017/2018
Chosen Generation

2016/2017
Higher, Wider, Deeper

Hearts Together in Prayer

16/08 (Sun): Heavenly Father, thank You for bringing us together this morning.
Prepare our hearts to worship You and receive Your Word. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit
and give us courage, wisdom, and love to make Jesus known. Amen.

17/08 (Mon): Lighthouse firmly planted in God's
Word, growing in faith, wisdom, obedience, and
bearing fruit as we abide in Christ, the true Vine.

18/08 (Tue): Our LIFE Groups, Children's
Ministry, Outreach, and every ministry serving
faithfully and bearing fruit for God's glory.

19/08 (Wed): Ignite hearts across Japan to receive
the Gospel and for believers to boldly share Jesus
by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

20/08 (Thu): Many throughout Thailand will turn
to Jesus. Churches to grow in faith, unity,
discipleship, and evangelism. Glory to God.

21/08 (Fri): Pray for open hearts across Asia and for
Spirit-empowered believers to boldly and lovingly
share the good news of Jesus. Christ.

22/08 (Sat): Lighthouse will be empowered by
the Holy Spirit to influence people for Christ to
expand His Kingdom faithfully.

*"The Lord is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he does.
The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth."
(Psalm 145:17-18, NIV)*