

GOD'S COVENANT WITH THE CHURCH OF PENTECOST

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The spiritual growth of The Church of Pentecost and its spread throughout the world is a fulfillment of God's Covenant made with the founders of the Church at its beginning (from 1931).

At the Sixth Extraordinary Council Meeting of the Church held in Koforidua in April, 1999, the General Council decided that Church members be taught these covenants (below) for them to know God's fulfillment of His side of the Covenants and what they must do to fulfill their responsibilities in God's plan for the Church.

GOD'S PART

"It is not because of how few or many you are in membership but according to my divine and eternal purpose and goodwill for my Church"

1. That He God would raise a nation out of Africa that would be a spearhead and light to the world, heralding the 2nd Coming of Christ Jesus our Lord.
2. That the Gold Coast has been chosen to fulfill this eternal will and purpose of God.
3. He God would accomplish this through a White Missionary from Europe who would come to lead the group in future, and the group which through many trials, tribulations, temptations and persecutions would be nurtured, protected and grow up spiritually, numerically, would become a great International Pentecostal Church which would send out missionaries from the country, Gold Coast to all parts of Africa and the world as a whole.
4. That it would make disciples for the coming Christ while He would call out men according to His own choice from time to time.
5. That God would ensure that no weapon that is formed against the Church prospers, and every tongue that rises against it in judgement shall be condemned. For this is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of Him, saith the Lord.
6. That God would meet the Church's financial problems in season and out of season for all other churches to acknowledge that His divine presence, blessings and glory are with the Church.
7. That He would pour abundant Spiritual Gifts on both men and women.
8. That God would from time to time prune and purge His church – all parasites, pests, personality cults, false doctrines, social and religious evils, from the church to make her holy and radiant to portray His divine presence, radiance, glory in it spiritual and physical performances, in order to avoid both Spiritual decline and apostasy.

NOTE: *These aspects of the Covenant were confirmed in 1940, during the Easter Convention at Winneba and re-confirmed in 1948 at the General Convention at Koforidua.*

THE CHURCH'S PART

1. That the Church would know and understand His ways and obey His voice and commandments and that the Church would keep itself holy, blameless and pure.
2. That the Church is not to love and learn the things of the world nor its way, for His ways are different from the ways of the world. Therefore it should not imitate worldliness or any form of Religious Sects, organizations or Churches for He has chosen the Church to be Holy, Righteous, Faithful, Humble and Obedient; it should be a different model and a peculiar people, to show forth His divine Virtues to angels.
3. That the Church should not be covetous, money minded, selfish, proud, arrogant and stubborn in its ways.
4. That in order to have a pure disciplined holy Church (which can stand the test of time) HOLINESS should become its watchword throughout its entire life.
5. That the Church should not owe any man, borrow or seek financial aids, loans or grants from anywhere as God is its Eternal Riches, Treasury and that He is able to sustain the Church in all its needs.
6. That the gifts that would be given by God must be controlled so that Satan would not use them to his advantage.
7. That the Church should remember not to harbor sins, evil deeds and evil people among its membership, but rebuke, discipline and restore backsliders in the spirit of Love, Compassion and Patience. For if the Church would hearken to His voice and obey His precepts, it would be blessed among its peers.

HOW THE CHURCH WOULD FULFILL ITS OBLIGATIONS IN THE COVENANT

1. Every first Wednesday of the month was set aside as Missionary Day for prayers and offering for expansion of Missions Work.
2. Every first Tuesday of the month was set aside for Women's Movement meeting to pray for the expansion and growth of the Church, spiritually, financially and numerically. The slogan "HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD" emanated from this effort to fulfill terms of the Covenant.
3. Callings and election to offices were subjected to confirmation through divine intervention and general consensus of the people.
4. In preaching and teaching Christ was presented as Savior and emphasis was placed on salvation through Christ and the new birth.
5. The foursquare gospel – "He came to save me, He came to heal me, He came to fill me with His Spirit and He will come back and take me with Him to reign forever" – was the message.