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Building on the Sure Foundation

By the leading of His Spirit, God continues to give us guidance and direction as we progress in our precious Faith and Vision that our Fathers and founding Apostles of the Apostolic Faith Church received through the revelation of the Divine Will of God in the Beginning, laying a foundation for us, which is Jesus Christ.

Our theme of the Year for 2025 has been given as "Building on the Sure Foundation" as laid by the early Apostles and our founding Fathers.

Ephesians 2:19 – 22:

(19) Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the Household of God; (20) and are Built upon the Foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone; (21) in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: (22) in whom ye also are built together for an habitation of God through the spirit.

1 Corinthians 3:10-11:

(10) According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a Wise Masterbuilder, I have Laid the Foundation, and another Buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. (11) for other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

As One Body and the Household of the Lord under the AFC, we are all to be guided by this prophetic direction of the Lord as inspired of the Holy Spirit in this season and examine our faith and our standing, whether we are rooted on the sure and firm foundation or on mere sinking sand.

In building construction and civil engineering, a foundation is the base upon which a structure is anchored and built. The foundation provides stability, strength, and support, ensuring that the building has structural integrity and remains firm and unshaken. Without a strong foundation, a structure has weak base and is vulnerable and prone to collapse, especially when faced with external pressures such as storms, floods, winds or earthquakes. In the spiritual realm, our faith also requires a firm foundation – a sure foundation which is unmovable, unshakable, unwavering, and eternal. That Sure Foundation is Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 3:11).

In the coming weeks and months, we will dig deeper into the Word of God and share valuable principles of our faith and draw lessons and insights that will anchor us firmly in the sure foundation in our walk with our Lord Jesus Christ as we get more and more rooted and established in our precious Apostolic Faith and Vision, built on the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, with Jesus Christ Himself as the Chief Corner Stone (Ephesians 2:20).

As we continue on our journey of faith in this new season, we have received some wonderful New Year greetings and messages at the Root from the Overseers in Africa, of which we would like to share some extracts here.

From South Africa, the Regional Overseer – South, Rev. H.M. Khumalo writes: Dear Rev P. Duncan Lee, as we step into the New Year 2025, I extend my heartfelt prayers and best wishes to you, Mrs Lee and all our hard-working team with you at our Root Church. May this year be filled with abundant blessings, divine guidance, and strength as you continue to lead us with wisdom, compassion, and unwavering faith ... May God continue to bless you with good health, peace, and grace as you fulfil your sacred duty. With deep respect and gratitude, we in the South of Limpopo look forward to another year of spiritual growth under your guidance as we Build on the Sure Foundation (Ephesians 2:19-22; 1 Corinthians 3:10-11) ... We are wishing you a blessed and prosperous New Year.

From Zimbabwe, the Regional Overseer – North, Rev Noah Msimanga writes: Dear Reverend Lee, our beloved Mama Lee and the Church in Bournemouth ... I would like to express my admiration for your unwavering dedication, leadership and service to the church. At this special time of renewal I pray that the Lord continues to bless, strengthen and guide you and Mama Lee. May this new year bring you joy, peace and cherished moments together. May your remarkable legacy of faith, love and wisdom continue to inspire and uplift us all. As you celebrate this milestone, I, together with my wife and the church North of Limpopo, wish both of you and the church in Bournemouth a blessed, happy and healthy New Year.

From Eswatini formerly Swaziland, the new Country Overseer, Rev TZ Dlamini writes: Calvary greetings our International Chief Overseer, Pastor D. Lee in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen. On behalf of the Church in Eswatini, we convey our message to you together with Mrs Lee. We hope and trust that this New Year 2025 will be the year full of prosperity and success for the Church at large and may the Lord grant you good health. We acknowledge your leadership, wisdom and guidance through the Holy Spirit during the difficult times in the Southern Region ... appointing our beloved Regional Overseer Rev. M.H Khumalo was such a blessing in the region. The fruits have already started showing with the introduction of the Governance, Administration and Management Manual during the Pastor's Conference from 19th to 22nd December 2024 at Daveyton. We appreciate the good work in the region...

From the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), the Country Overseer Rev. Dieudonné Kabongo Ilunga writes: Dear Beloved Father D. Lee, and our dear beloved Mother Lee and the Church at the Root, on behalf of the Apostolic Faith Church in DRC, we take this opportunity and special time to wish you all a very happy New year, successful New Year, happiness and good health. We pray for you and the whole Church, for protection and for the manifestation of power and blessing under the blood of the Lamb Jesus Christ. Much love to you Servant of God.

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