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Halleluyah!

That the grace, love and peace of God be with you in Jesus name; Amen!

We send you some informations about Imeko, our unic Holy place of Pilgrimage worldwide. It's necessary to help your worshipers to understand the spiritual impact and the necessity to obey the instruction of God by the Prophet Pastor Founder S. B. J. OSCHOFFA in Jesus name.

Thanks and see you soon at Imeko Convocation.

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**IMEKO AND ITS REASON TO BE**  
**1 CHRONICLES 21:24-30 Verse 24:**

But King David called to Ornan: ' ' Not! I want to buy it against his silver value, because I would not present at the Eternal what is with you, and I will not offer a holocaust which does not cost me anything

Verse 25: And David gave to Ornan Six hundred gold sicles for the site.

Verse 26: And David builds a Furnace bridge with the Eternal there, it offered holocausts and sacrifices of thanksgivings. It called upon the Eternal and the Eternal answered him by the fire which went down from the sky on the Furnace bridge of the holocaust.

Verse 27: Then the Eternal spoke with the angel, which gave its sword in the sleeve.

Verse 28: At that time there, David, indicator whom the Eternal it had exaucé in the surface of Ornan, Jébusien, offered sacrifices to it.

Verse 29: But the Gate vault of the Eternal built by Moïse with the desert, and the Furnace bridge of the holocausts, were then on the high place of Gabaon

Verset 30: David could not go in front of this Furnace bridge louse to seek God, because the sword of the angel of the Eternal had caused him terror.

1 CHRONICLES 22:1-5

Verse 1: And David known as: ` Here will be the house of the Eternal God, and here will be the Furnace bridge of the holocausts for Israel.

Verse 2: David made gather the foreigners who were in the country of Israel, and it charged of the stone masons with preparing stones of size for the construction of the house of God.

Verse 3: It prepared also iron in abundance for the nails of the leaves of the doors and for the cramps, of bronze in quantity such as it was not possible to weigh it,

Verse 4: And of the wood of cedar without a number because Sidoniens and Tyriens had brought to David of the wood of cedar in abundance.

Verse 5: David said: My Solomon file is young and of a low age, and the house which will be builds with the Eternal will rise with a high degree of re-elected and glory in all the countries; this is why I want to make for him preparations.

And David did many preparations before his death. The Prophet Pastor Founder S. B J Oschoffa made the preparations and the planning of the construction of the Celestial City, Holy Land of Imeko where certain vestiges are still visible and return testimony of the dimension of the will of the Prophet of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, for the future generations. This for saying that Imeko is a property of the Celestial Church of Christ with whole share and it is important to adore God on a territory which belongs to us.

SERMON OF THE PROPHET PASTOR FOUNDER OF CELESTIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST IN WHOLE WORLD REVEREND S. B. J. OSCHOFFA With IMEKO IN 1982

*"Here in Imeko and on the ground (the site) where we are, was the property of the Church of the Seraphim's and Cherubim's. Here which intended to build their own church? I was spiritually inspired to make the demand for this ground (this site), and the ground (the site) was granted to me and with the Church Celestial Christianity with the full assent of the Chief of the Church Seraphim's and Cherubim's, from where the revelation concerning the establishment of the Church of Celestial Christianity was given forty six years ago; revelation according to which a large Church will be established in Imeko at this place and will be called Jerusalem. This rises with sufficiency that it is the injunction of God who achieves himself. Consequently, any subject having relationship with the City (city) of Imeko is the will and the achievement of the Word of God. We drew up a report/ratio with its Majesty King d' Imeko; to our greater surprise, when we arrived there, it had added us four kilometers of ground in more of the 42 Hectares that the Church Seraphim and Cherubim's had already given us. Of this stage, we thought of the need for meeting the government of the State d' Ogun (Ogun State) in order to fill all the land and domanical formalities, related with the legal and official attribution of the site of the Celestial City and world place of pilgrimage of the Church of Celestial Christianity. This in order to show in the whole world that all those which are of God, are respectful established procedures, formalities and authorities. Its Majesty King d' Imeko, before we were going to meet the representatives of the government on this question, it said to us that if we came earlier, the government could have allotted other pieces to us which were still available.*

*However, the Government nevertheless gave us very important pieces, we return thanks to the Eternal God and thank the government for its sincere collaboration and its generosity in favour of the Celestial Church of Celestial Christianity. Here*

*in the province or the State d' Ogun, in particular and in Nigeria in general the Eternal God is a King. Us do not should be astonished that Imeko is a small city among all the small cities however, we establish it like the City (city) Celestial.*

*This for saying to the whole world that the City (city) Celestial of Imeko it is the will of the Eternal God and not that of the man.*

*Today even, the power of God remains among us, this same power which was, is and will be eternally. That the Eternal God be with us all eternally (amen). That the power of the Eternal God appears on all the aspects of its church, that it causes a great expansion for the safety of all humanity, in the name of our Lord and Saver Jesus Christ. (Dixit: S.B.J. Oschoffa 1982). Thus can the power God remain with you, and that this power which was at the beginning, which and is, can remain eternally with you in the name of Christ. That the Eternal God is with us eternally; Amen!*

*I advice you also always to request for yourself. We are not numerous here today. May be because it has been seven years that we did not have any more this kind of pilgrimage.*

*I thus seized this occasion to announce with you all that henceforth it will be an annual event, thus say all those which are not present here today will have to try to be present the next year in order to share this great glory of God.*

At the end of all the activities of the day they sang this canticle in yoruba:

*A lo si Bethlehem ti a ti be Jesu, /2ce*

*Irawo Orun won bu sayo /2ce;*

*Olugbala ti wa ko ese aye lo". /2ce*

In English version:

*Let's go to Bethlehem where Christ was born, (a)*

*the Célestes stars are in joy (a)*

*for the Saviour come to sanctify the world (a)*

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PILGRIMAGES:

The Pastor informed the Pastor-in-Council that the annual Pilgrimage from December in Imeko is usually a 7 (seven) days program full (LEVITIQUE 23:38-43); and that it takes place with IMEKO in accordance with Article 9 of the Blue Constitution of the Church of Celestial Christianity. It is during this same 7 (seven) days time full which CHRIST knew the same difficulties that we meet in Imeko, and these are the difficulties which took along our Lord JESUS CHRIST to sleep in a cattle shed, in company of the animals and of some shepherds, in full winter and with beautiful star.

It's requested to all the Parishes of the Celestial Church of Christ worldwide, a high religious, spiritual and material organization, the faithful ones and Elders whom they take along to the Pilgrimage of Imeko. It is strictly necessary to comply with the rules of sanctification.

No anointment with the women who are in period even if they are in sanctification. Everyone must achieve its ritual of sanctification as defined by the Prophet Founder Oschoffa in the Blue Constitution, with Section 105 for the new members or newcomers and article 194 for the baptized Christians Celestial and/or anointed following:

RITUAL OF SANCTIFICATION FOR THE NEW ONES, COME ADHERENTS OR NEW,  
(Extracted from the Blue Constitution of the Celestial Church of Christ)

Section 105. The new members will normally have, before their admission like faithful of the Church, being subjected to sanctification by a bath with a water bucket and a candle, in order to avoid the impurity in the Church. The prayer of sanctification will be made by the Charged Parochial one (Representative of Pasteur in the Parish) or by a precursor whom it will have indicated.

#### RITUAL OF SANCTIFICATION OF CELESTIALS AFTER ANY STAIN OR IMPURITY (Extracted from the Blue Constitution of the Celestial Church of Christ)

Section 193. After the childbirth, the women are not allowed in the enclosure of the Church or the parish, for one duration of forty and one days. After the forty and one days and sanctification, the women will be able to finally go to the parish for an action of thanks to the Eternal God.

Section 194. After their seven days of impurity, at the eighth day, the women will go to the parish, for sanctification according to the manner prescribed before entering a parish. Sanctification in this respect will proceed as follows:

- 1- the women concerned will go to the Church or the parish with a water seal, a candle, a sponge of bath and a cake of soap.
- 2- It will be put at knees, the Western entry of the parish, thus making vis-a-vis with the furnace bridge, owes the Pastoral Representative or the Charged Parochial one sworn in, exposed and accredited by Pasteur or those which he will have designated and will hold in front of it, its candle lit by the Pastoral Representative or the Charged Parochial one sworn in, exposed and accredited by Pasteur or that which he will have indicated, his water bucket, the sponge of bath and soap.
- 3- After having sung the suitable hymns (3 in all), it will make a prayer of remission of sins and sanctification.
- 4- After the prayer, it will put the candle in water and they will take their bath (all alone) with all that they will have brought for the circumstance.
- 5- After this bath, they will be from now on free and ready to enter the temple of the Eternal God of the Armies or the parish.
- 6- the achievement of this obligatory sanctification, as well for the men as for the women, to see the new ones come, their will make it possible to enter by one of the doors of the parish where they will have, using their hands, to sprinkle holy water near to the door and to make the sign of cross before entering the parish.

The Committees charged to treat organization of the pilgrimage consequently must, to make all the provisions necessary as regards sanctification of their pilgrims; and to ensure itself, in time, so that all the Choral societies of the Dioceses, of the Provinces or Areas, the Districts, the Zones and the Parishes are available throughout annual Pilgrimage of Imeko.

That the Members of the Pastor-in-Council make a broad diffusion, with all the Celestials of the whole world, new orientations for which the Celestial City of Imeko is "the fountain of blessings (DEUT 28:1-14); and that all faithful Celestials will have to be present there to

request from God, in their prayers, the deepest desires and they will see how their prayers will be answered.

That God transforms you, and that one feels in you the new man who gained in wisdom, like Moïse which made the same retirement on the mountain and with its descent, face had changed; it had become radiant; EXODUS 24:17-18.

That one feels it in you like a new transformed creature; JOHN 15:12. Communicate that with your entourage, your Parish or in your branch of industry and that this new life reflects your behaviour; JOHN 15:12.

The Love is the greatest command. It is necessary that the world recognizes or perceives that in you.

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\* LOVE TOWARDS THE PARISHIONERS

\* LOVE TOWARDS THE COLLEAGUES AND THE COLLABORATORS

\* LOVE TOWARDS the WIFE

\* LOVE TOWARDS THE CHILDREN.

That the Love changes your life into joy in the name of Christ.

That the Love changes misfortune into Happiness.

That the Love transforms the difficulties into victories.

That the Love scents your life and gives it a pleasant odour.

Above all, have the ones for the others, deep love, because the Love covers a multitude of sins. The Love solves many the difficult cases. Thus JACOB was forgiven by his elder brother ESAÛ, through the importance of his gifts that it made him.

That the Eternal God of the Armies bears fruit his Love in you and you supports; and can it fill the Celestial Church of Christ of abundant graces, in the name of our Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST. AMEN!

Brotherly Yours in Christ!

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