

A pair of red knitted gloves is shown holding a white, heart-shaped snowflake. The gloves are positioned as if they are gently cradling the snowflake. The background is a blurred, textured surface, possibly a wooden table or a similar material.

# FREEDOM CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

*Newsletter*

**FEBRUARY 2025**

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**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

**STUDENT MINISTRY**

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**

Thursdays at 6:15 p.m.

Worship Service

EVERY SUNDAY AT 10 A.M.

Nursery & Children's Activities

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Hi Friends,

As I write this, I am preparing to leave for Nigeria. I am very grateful for the chance to be traveling once again with John Beck, Chris Perry, and Jon Davison to meet with the leaders of our seven Nigerian church campuses.

Our trip this year will take us deeper into Nigeria, as we travel to our first Nigerian campus, the Sapele Highway campus of Freedom Church International (located outside of Warri in Delta state). The Sapele campus is of great importance to us because it serves as the primary training ground for our new pastoral leaders and the "sending center" from which we send out leaders to plant new campuses of FCI. The leaders of all seven of our Nigerian campuses will travel to Delta state to join us for a series of worship services and meetings while we are there.

The worship services will be morning and evening gatherings of Freedom Church's Sapele campus church family, along with people from the community and the leadership teams of our other six Nigerian campuses. Our time with these leaders is of great importance, since it is our best chance to hear first-hand from these leaders about the challenges they are facing and what God is doing in their congregations, and for us to pass on to them more of the DNA of Freedom Church International and of what God is saying to us. These gatherings are a source of great encouragement for all of us as church leaders, and they provide us with an opportunity to impact the host church's congregation and community as we worship and serve together.

On this trip, we will formally set apart and commission the pastoral leaders of our two campuses which were officially launched in Edo state in January. We will also be able to distribute a large amount of food for those in need and school supplies for the children in Sapele. We will spend time visiting the medical clinic of our own Dr. Ofoafo, the head of our medical outreach, and praying over his team. We will pay a visit to the regional king of Mosogar and pray with him. Then, we will conclude our time in Delta state by ministering in Pastor Isaiah's home church, God's Standard Bible Church, in Warri on Sunday, February 2nd.

Our team departs the Eastern Shore on Monday morning, January 27th. We will return to Fairhope around 2:00 am, on Tuesday, February 4th. Please pray daily for our team and for all of the people to whom we will minister. I speak for all four members of our team when I say that we are very grateful for your prayers and for the opportunity to represent you in Africa!

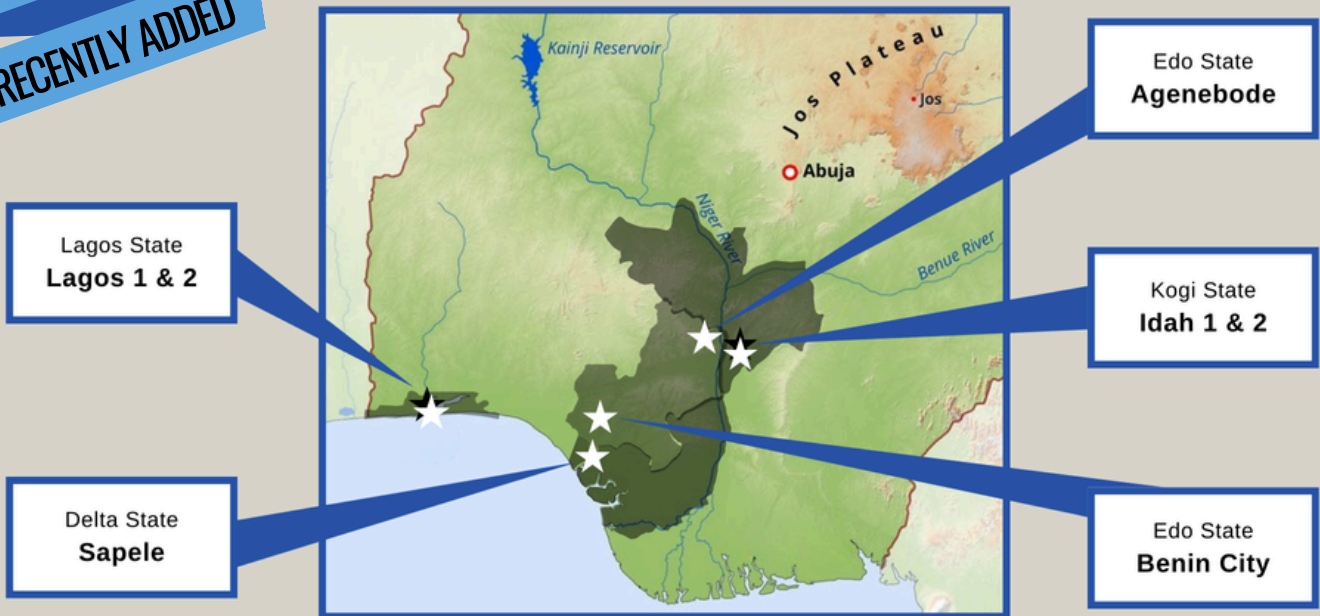
You Are Loved!  
Mark



**PASTOR MARK PRICE**

## NIGERIA CAMPUS MAP

2 NEW CAMPUSES  
RECENTLY ADDED



## BLESSING BOX SUNDAY CHALLENGE

First Sunday of Every Month (and all month long)

There are few things more biblical than feeding the hungry in Jesus' name, and an amazing number of people on the Eastern Shore come to Freedom's Blessing Box each week to get food for themselves and their families.

Due to the high volume of traffic at our Blessing Box, we are seeking to expand our capacity in restocking the food cabinet. On the **first Sunday of each month**, we encourage your family to donate one of the following items to share with those in need:

- **Non-perishable food items** such as dried beans or rice, cans of vegetables or soups, jars of baby food or fruit cups, boxed potatoes, individually packaged snacks, etc.
- **Toiletry items** such as deodorant, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, etc.

Items may be placed directly in the Blessing Box or dropped off in the foyer before worship. Thank you for helping to make this ministry of Freedom make such an impact here in our local community!



## NIGHT OF PRAISE

Sunday, February 16th

Mark your calendars and prepare your hearts for an unforgettable evening of praise and worship! On **Sunday, February 16th at 6 p.m.**, we invite you to gather with us for a "Night of Praise," a time set apart to lift our voices in song and glorify God together as one church family. This will be an all-singing event, filled with powerful music, heartfelt lyrics, and the unifying joy of worshipping our Savior.

Come as you are and experience the beauty of worship in its purest form. Whether you're singing at the top of your lungs or quietly reflecting, this is a moment to draw closer to God and to one another. **Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to join us** for this special time of worship and connection. We can't wait to see how God moves among us as we come together in song. Let's fill the sanctuary with praises and make this "Night of Praise" a time to remember!



# CALENDAR

## FEBRUARY 2025

**2-6**  
SUN-THUR

### SMALL GROUP OFF WEEK

Groups will resume their regular times starting on Sunday, Feb. 9th.

**2-8**  
SUN-SAT

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR NIGERIA

Please set aside special time to pray for our campuses in Nigeria.

**3**  
MON

### NIGERIA TEAM FLIES HOME

The team will leave on Monday, Jan 27th and return on Monday, February 3rd.

**9**  
SUN

### CONNECTION CLASS

Meet with Pastor Mark and other members of staff to learn more about Freedom.

**14**  
FRI

### VALENTINE'S DAY

Show love to those around you.



**16**  
SUN

### CORE TEAM & SMALL GROUP LEADERS MEETING

4:30 p.m. Grace Room

### NIGHT OF PRAISE

6 p.m. Worship Room

## CONNECTION CLASS

Sunday, February 9th

Our Connection Class is for anyone at Freedom (first-time visitors and returning guests) who is interested in learning more about who we are, where we're headed, and how you can be more involved. Feel free to join Pastor Mark and other members of staff and leadership in the church lobby at 4 p.m. to discuss all the ways you can get connected with Freedom Church.



### CHURCH-WIDE BIBLE READING PLAN

By: Mark Price, Pastor

As we begin a new year, let's all make reading God's Word a daily priority in our lives. Our daily reading plan takes only about five minutes each day, and it enables us to read the entire New Testament, along with key parts of the Old Testament, in one year. You can pick up a copy of the full reading plan on the table just outside the worship room at church.

- Feb. 1-8 ..... Romans 4-11
- Feb. 9-15 ..... Romans 12-16, Mark 1-2
- Feb. 16-22 ..... Mark 3-9
- Feb. 23-Mar. 1 ..... Mark 10-16

## KIDS' WORLD | STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Ms. Sam Lipscomb

"I am 32 years old and married with 2 daughters, Norah (age 8) and Ellie (age 12). We have lived in Fairhope our whole lives and have been a part of Freedom for over 10 years! I co-lead a small group here at Freedom, as well as work with the children's ministry.

Working with children has always been a passion of mine and I am so blessed to work with and be a part of the family and ministry here at Freedom!"



## END OF THE YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS

By: Jonna Sides, Ministry Assistant

All giving statements for 2024 contributions to Freedom Church International have been mailed to the address associated with your *Church Center* app. If you are currently not using the app, and you are unsure of the address we have on file, please feel free to stop by the Welcome Desk in the lobby on Sunday morning.

Upon receipt, if you have questions about your statement, feel free to reach out to me ([Joanna@myfreedomchurch.net](mailto:Joanna@myfreedomchurch.net)) or our Treasurer, Mike Sappington ([mikesappington@bellsouth.net](mailto:mikesappington@bellsouth.net)). Thank you for your faithful support of God's church!



## There's an App for Freedom!

### A Better Way To:

- stay informed of events with the **calendar**
- schedule a **tithe** or make a one-time offering
- share a **prayer** request
- chat with members and leaders in your **group**
- **contact** staff and ask questions
- follow along with the **Bible Reading Plan**
- link to **sermons**

Scan the QR code or click [HERE](#) to get the new Church Center app.



### Sermon Library

#### LISTEN TO PAST SERMONS

If you are going to miss church, be sure to check out Pastor Mark's sermon by clicking [HERE](#).



### Tithing

#### ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS

Did you know you can tithe online? If you would like to give in a digital form, please click [HERE](#) or scan the QR code.



### Worship with Freedom

#### WORSHIP MUSIC

Freedom Church now has a Spotify playlist of our current worship songs. Click [HERE](#) or Scan the QR code so you can worship Him all week long!

Facebook



### Share Freedom

#### DO MORE ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Follow us on social media to learn about upcoming events that you can share with your friends!

[Instagram](#)

#### FAIRHOPE STAFF

Pastor..... Mark Price  
 Worship and Young Adult Pastor.....Faith Chatten  
 Associate Pastor.....John Beck  
 Student Pastors..... Stone and Caroline Keener  
 Children's Pastor.....Lyn Davison  
 Preschool Pastor..... Sabrina Ankerson  
 Recovery Pastors..... John and Salley Beck  
 Media Director.....Dave Wilson  
 Sound Engineer.....Nick Wilson  
 Ministry Assistant.....Joanna Sides

#### NIGERIA STAFF

Nigeria Campus Overseer.....Apostle Isaiah Kadiri  
 Sapele Campus.....Pastors Ezekiel & Favour  
 Lagos 1 Campus.....Pastors Alex & Favour  
 Lagos 2 Campus.....Pastors Francis & Perfect  
 Idah 1 Campus.....Pastors Joseph, Joel, and Simon  
 Idah 2 Campus.....Pastors Phillip and Attah

#### ELDERS

John Beck  
 Nancy Emmons  
 Chris Perry  
 Mark Price  
 Wayne Smith

#### TRUSTEES

Mike Sappington (Treasurer)  
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