

Church of His Vision

If our Lord Jesus were a pastor of a local Church, how would he go about His job?

In other words, what kind of church does the Master envisage when He declared, “ I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it”?

The search for biblical answers to these questions gave rise to this book. What I found out from the bible in my search for satisfactory answers to the question shows that Jesus strongly desired and demanded that love permeate the life and the ministry of His church on earth. This love reaches out in two dimensions. Firstly, it reaches up vertically to God, who gratuitously gave His only begotten Son as a love offering for our redemption. Secondly, it reaches out to man without discrimination. If God so loved us, we ought to love one another. It dawned on me that what ever does not meet the standard of love demonstrated by Christ will not find a place in the Church where He serves as a pastor.

The Church of His Vision challenges us to give God a chance in His church. It calls for balance between the extremes of over-shepherding and the under-shepherding proclivities of some of His servants.

Pastoral leadership is aimed at leading the flock to have personal experience of God who is our father.

Deliberate efforts must be made to avoid reconstructing the veil that separated us from God, which got torn as Christ died on the cross at Calvary. This personal encounter with God is an indispensable imperative for the emergence of the Church of His Vision