

## FILL IN THE \_\_\_\_\_.

On Sunday, December 29, 2024, Apostle Leander Robinson presented to CWCC the theme for this year: **BELIEVE!!!** One word -- with a wealth of meaning, requiring a depth of understanding, and containing a strength of command. In the weeks that followed, Apostle Robinson would begin a series of teachings to expound upon our theme and lay the foundation for where the Lord is preparing us to go in this year. One key distinction that the Lord made through Apostle Robinson is that we are to understand the difference between “*Believing for*” and “*Believing in*.”

Starting first with the definition of “Believe,”

*Oxford Languages Dictionary* defines its meaning as: to accept (something) as true; feel sure of the truth of: be convinced by; trust; have confidence in.

Apostle Robinson would later expound upon our theme and expand our understanding to share that the Lord desired that we would “Believe In, For.”

According to Biblestudy.org, the number 25 symbolizes in the Bible "grace upon grace." It is composed of 20 (meaning redemption) and five (grace) or grace multiplied (5 x 5).

Biblereflection.org expands upon the understanding of the number 25 to state:

The number 25 in the Bible is often associated with: Grace upon Grace, Preparation for Service, God's forgiveness and favor, and Devine Governmental Perfection.

On Sunday, December 29, 2024, during the message titled: “I’m Glad I Wasn’t There,” as I listened to Apostle Robinson’s teaching on what it means to “Believe,” I received what I knew to be the title of my Word for today. In addition, there were three topics that stayed with me and I felt an urging to meditate on them for the word that is to come.

- “Faith and Belief are two sides of the same coin,” as taught by Apostle Fred Price.
- We are to “Believe In [Him], For.”
- The Niagara Falls story in which Pastor shared about a unicyclist who asked a crowd if they believed he could cross the Niagara Falls on a tight rope. After receiving confirmation from the crowd, he states, if you believe, then hop on the bike.

These statements and insights the Lord shared with me throughout the teachings that have been presented to the body this year are the framework from which this Word comes.

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*For out of His fullness [the superabundance of His grace and truth] we have all received grace upon grace [spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing, favor upon favor, and gift heaped upon gift]. **John 1:16 AMP***

During the message delivered on 12/29/2024, I heard the Lord say, “My Eye is on the gaps.” As Apostle Robinson stated that we are to “Believe in [Him], for” I heard the Lord say, “Fill in the Blank(s).” As I sought the Lord for what He was conveying by these statements, He impressed upon me that there is to be a strategic approach to this year. Those areas within the ministry, our local body, families, and in our individual lives where we have been trusting God to “fill” a need and answer prayer, the Lord sends encouragement that “My Eye is on the gaps.” For many years, we have witnessed a dying away in the faithfulness of the body, the commitment to service and the strain that this has placed upon the ministry. We have witnessed and been disheartened by the inconsistent and irresponsible results from our continued outreach. The Lord’s encouragement to us is that “My Eye is on the gaps, and I will give you strategies to Fill in the Blanks. I will restore,” says God.

*Believe* is a verb; it is an action. **“Believe!!!”** This is our instruction and guiding principle from the Lord for this year. It is a complete sentence. [**You**] Believe!!! [**I**] Believe!!! [**We**] Believe!!! The questions that we must answer are “*What* do we believe?” “*In whom* do we believe?” and “*Do* our actions align with that which we have stated?” We need to know that “Belief” is a noun. It is a connector, and keep in mind that “Faith and Belief are two sides of the same coin.” Faith is acting on what we you believe.

*Now faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]. **Hebrews 11:1 AMPC***

On Sunday, 01/05/2025, while sitting in our Leadership Advisory Board (L.A.B.) Meeting, the Lord brought back to me the Niagara Falls story Apostle shared the Sunday before and the voice of the Lord came, stating: “Covenant Warriors, get on the bike and you shall see the impossible made possible this year.”

Get on the bike. Covenant Warriors, this is not a fence straddling year. The Lord reminds me of the instruction He delivered to this body last year through Prophetess Lois Robinson in the Word: Court Is Now In Session and the Verdict Is In:

*“This is a year where the line of trust is drawn. No offense, but it is time to put up or shut up! That simply means, it’s time to take action and do what you have been talking about, or stop talking about it. The line is drawn and the time has come to stop straddling the fence concerning your beliefs, make a choice and a commitment.”*

If your proclamation is that you trust and believe in the ministry, the Lord calls to you and declares, “My Eye is on the gaps. Fill in the Blanks.” There is a push from the Lord that moving in a unified direction and operating under a unified focus is key this year.

### ***Romans 12:1-2 AMP***

*12 Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies [dedicating all of yourselves, set apart] as a living sacrifice, holy and well-pleasing to God, which is your rational (logical, intelligent) act of worship.*

*<sup>2</sup> And do not be conformed to this world [any longer with its superficial values and customs], but be transformed and progressively changed [as you mature spiritually] by the renewing of your mind [focusing on godly values and ethical attitudes], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His plan and purpose for you].*

My sensing is that this year requires a return to Discipleship and a maturity in our Christian Walk. Iron must sharpen iron this year. The Lord warns us that there is an ease to the loss of focus and sense of direction this year. This is not the time to abandon your battle buddy. I sense a joy to this year, birthed in a time of unrest and sustained through purposeful action and keeping our eyes steady on Him. We are to know God’s *ways* and not just His *acts*.

I am reminded of a statement made by Deaconess Treacy Robinson on Sunday, 01/12/2025, as she was in a time of exhortation during praise and worship. She stated, “there are some doors that we need to close ourselves.” After this declaration, God brought back to my remembrance a word of wisdom that Deaconess Fanny Kemp shared many years ago as she was conducting the offering during a Wednesday night Bible study. She stated: “The Old Fanny and the New Fanny, they don’t get along.”

This is a year of individual growth within the body. There is a call for the renewal of the mind and commitment to relationship. This is a time where it is ***Me vs Me***. An anointing to remove those hindrances that have caused us to stumble and fall is available to us. We must each answer for ourselves, can I *Believe in [Him]*, for deliverance from “Fill in the \_\_\_\_.” For many, God will reveal Himself in new and encouraging ways. The Lord offers a word of warning. There is an urgency to restoring relationship this year. For the Lord declares, “My Eye is on the gaps.”

*“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,” Ephesians 3:20 NKJV*

On Sunday, 01/19/2025, during the message delivered by Apostle Robinson as he taught from the prophetic word, “The Door is Open,” the Lord impressed upon me the need to guard the words from our mouths. There is to be an alignment of what we speak and what we do. Reminder: Faith and Belief are two sides of the same coin, and Faith is acting on what we believe. The Lord opened before me a mental image of an *open mouth with an extended tongue that unravels into a suitcase.* The Lord has declared that, “you (we) will live out of what you (we) speak.”

While much of my sensing is that this is a year focused on personal growth and maturity, make no mistake – we are in a season of the Lord’s blessings being poured out upon us. Grace, favor, and divine covering are extended to us in this year. “Positioning” is a key ingredient to success. There are many pitfalls and traps that are before us, but God has already prepared a way of escape and evasion. Togetherness is the Lord’s desire for us. As we focus on the inward work that the Lord has called each of us to and unify our collective focus in the pursuit of advancing the kingdom, the Lord will expand our territories. We are to be encouraged, because this year, the Lord has declared, “My Eye is on the gaps.” Our part is to strengthen and maintain our resolve to *Believe in [Him], for* “Fill in the \_\_\_\_.”