



# SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK

## JANUARY 8-14, 2023

### A WEEK OF PRAYER, PRAISE & PROCLAMATION”

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Spiritual Emphasis Week offers an opportunity for each local church to begin the year on a high spiritual note. The entire membership should be encouraged to participate as the church gathers Sunday through Friday for Prayer, Praise, and Proclamation of the Word. This annual event should climax with the clergy and laity of the Presiding Elder District coming together for a special District service. The suggested theme and daily sub-themes for Spiritual Emphasis Week 2023 are as follows:

**Quadrennial Theme:** The Freedom Church – Movement Empowered by the Holy Spirit: strengthening our Fellowship, Serving our Flock, **Sharing our Faith**, and Securing our Future.

**Scripture:** “Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age” (Matthew 28:16-20, NIV).

**Proposition:** Sharing our Faith is the primary responsibility Christ commissioned to the Church and is accomplished only by being obedient to His Mandate.

Day	Date	Topic	Scripture
Sunday	January 8	Sharing our Faith by going to the appointed place to meet Christ	Matthew 28:16
Monday	January 9	Sharing our Faith by giving genuine adoration to Christ	Matthew 28:17
Tuesday	January 10	Sharing our Faith by adhering to the authority of Christ	Matthew 28:18
Wednesday	January 11	Sharing our Faith by going where Christ sends us	Matthew 28:19
Thursday	January 12	Sharing our Faith by having a global perspective of Christ’s Mission	Matthew 28:19
Friday	January 13	Sharing our Faith by Teaching what Christ taught	Matthew 28:20
Saturday	January 14	Sharing our Faith by having the assurance of the Christ’s Presence	Matthew 28:20