

**Heart of God Ministries International
Greater Works TEAM Building**

**We identify ourselves as those in Covenant Relationship and
Apostolic Leadership. Our mission: to 'tend to, protect, and keep true' to
the Word and guidance of the Holy Spirit. We endeavor to lead others into
Light of Truth
Light of Life
Light of the Holy Spirit**

“CHURCH”

What is the church?

What is it's ordained divine function?

Ekkleesia in the New Testament never means the *building or house of assembly*, because church buildings were built long AFTER the 1st century apostolic age. It means an organized body, whose unity does not depend on its being met together in one place; not an assemblage, but members in their several places united to the One Head, Christ, and forming one organic living whole (1 Cor 12). The bride of Christ (Eph 5:25-32; 1:22), the Body of which He is the Head. The household of Christ and of God (Matt 10:25; Eph 2:19). The temple of the Holy Spirit, indwelling in believers made up of living stones (Eph 2:22; 1 Cor 3:16; 1 Peter 2:5)

No detailed church government is explicitly commanded by Jesus in the New Testament. Men have structured 'Church' and made traditions of men their way of worship. They have used the Old Testament wilderness church as their pattern. The structures they offer are those which lift men into positions and offices with varying 'titles' and pyramid power delegations.

We receive our authority from the Lord. Our works make way for our placement of function in service to others. Not lowly, but, with love and authority in Christ as His ambassadors. Our "works of the ministry" demonstrates our vision and our commitment to lift Him up in all that we do. He is our cover and the source of all things administered by the Precious Presence of the Person of God... Holy Spirit.

Revisit www.thepropheticvoice.com/trinty.html It has been expanded. Our quest is to invite those called into Apostolic Leadership together in seminars, conferences and round table experiences to build upon the apostolic-prophetic foundations of Christ. We are appointed as builders. Jesus is the promised 'sent one' the 'Anointed One' from heaven to earth. We are 'sent ones.' Jesus 'sent forth' His apostles endued with Holy Ghost anointing... His presence empowers the working of Father's will, plan and purposes. Sign into www.glorynow.com to access the following:

<u>The Vanguard Leader</u>	http://glorynow.com/inspiration/?p=141
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Ekkleesia is used of one or more particular Christian 'gatherings,' two or three meeting in the name of Jesus. group small enough to worship together in one house (Rom 16:5).; "the global spiritual church" (Rom 16:23; 1 Cor 12:28).; One Holy Apostolic Universal Church...
Heb 12:23 AMP

23 And to the church (assembly) of the Firstborn who are registered [as citizens] in heaven, and to the God Who is Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous (the redeemed in heaven) who have been made perfect,

Ekkleesia occurs twice only in Matthew (Matt 16:18; 18:17), elsewhere called "the kingdom of the heavens" by Matthew, "the kingdom of God" by Mark, Luke and John. Also called Christ's "flock," never to be plucked out of His hand (John 10:28), "branches" in Him "the true Vine." Founded on the Rock, "the Christ the Son of the living God," the only Foundation (Matt 16:16,18; 1 Cor 3:11). Constituted as Christ's spiritual body on Pentecost; Acts 2:41-47 AMP

41 Therefore those who accepted and welcomed his message were baptized, and there were added that day about 3,000 souls.

42 And they steadfastly persevered, devoting themselves constantly to the instruction and fellowship of the apostles, to the breaking of bread [including the Lord's Supper] and prayers.

43 And a sense of awe (reverential fear) came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were performed through the apostles (the special messengers).

Professing Christendom numbers are now probably represented by 80 million of Greek churches, 90 million of Teutonic or Protestant churches, and 170 million of Roman Catholic churches.

The church that reigns with Christ is the heavenly assembly that gathers to worship God the Blessed Holy Trinity in rank, file and order as the time zones progress around the globe.

These worshippers are made up of those written in heaven, in the Lamb's book of life, the spirits of just, men made perfect (Heb 12:22-23; Rev 21:27).

The faultless perfection and the glorious promises in Scripture assigned to the church (election, adoption, spiritual priesthood, sure guidance by the Spirit into all truth, eternal salvation) belong not to all of the visible church, but to those alone of it who are in living union with Christ.
(Eph 5:23-27; Heb 12:22-23).

The claim for the visible church of what belongs to the invisible, in spite of Christ's warning parable of the tares and wheat (Matt 13:24-30,36-43), has led to some of Rome's deadliest errors.

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Also, the attempt to sever the tares from the wheat prematurely in the the dispensationalist, the postponement and the futurist doctrines has led to many schisms, which have invariably failed in the attempt and only generated fresh separations. We must be Christ's manifestation, the manifestation of the sons of God (Rom 8:19; Col 3:4). Christ reigns Now. The Gospel is a Now doctrine!

The true universal church is restricted to "them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours" (1 Cor 1:2). They are visible in so far as their light of good works so shines before men that Father in heaven is glorified (Matt 5:16). They are invisible insofar that it is God alone who can infallibly see who among professors (believers) are animated by a living, loving faith, and those who are not.

A visible community, consisting of various members and aggregations of members, was founded by Christ Himself, as needed for the extension and continuation of Christianity to all lands and all ages. The ministry of the word and the two sacraments, baptism, and the supper of the Lord, (both in part derived from existing Jewish rites, Matt 26:26-28; 1 Cor 5:7-8) were appointed as the church's distinctive ordinances (Matt 28:19-20, Greek text): "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them ... Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and (only on condition of doing so) I am with you always," etc. The professing church that neglects these precepts forfeits the promise, which is fatal to religious leaders who claim being the only true church.

We set our hearts and goals to bring elders into the knowledge and glory of 'the true church' (the Body) guided by the Word of God and the Person of the Holy Spirit into both understanding the 'patterns of the Son,' and the "fellowship of the apostles' the *apostolos* which encompasses all God's Spirit anointed people into the Knowledge and Glory of Covenant Communion with the Father, Son and Holy Ghost and with each other.

May the Lord make these Truths alive to your "spirit man!"

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