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**Matthew 11:28***

# **Cherubim & Seraphim Church**

**Established in 1965**

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# THE CHERUBIM & SERAPHIM CHURCH

**T**he Cherubim and Seraphim Church, also known as the C&S, is a church denomination in Nigeria that was founded on Wednesday 9th September 1925. It is generally believed that the Lord God Almighty Himself established the church through Moses Orimolade Tunolase.

It is worth noting that at its inception, C. & S. Church was merely a Bible study and prayer fellowship, which by nature, identifies with the African people. However, it has now become popular among all races and in all the continents of the world. As a denomination, it has never been under the control of any orthodox church in Nigeria, and it gained recognition and acceptance amongst the people due to her gift of accurate prophecy and ability to deliver people from satanic oppression. The C. & S. Church has always been evangelical by nature and concept, as well as being missionary in outfit.

## A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF THE FOUNDER

**M**oses Orimolade was born in Ikare, Ondo State (formerly Western Region) of Nigeria, in around 1879. At the time, there was no birth registry or birth records existed in Ikare or the region at the time - therefore there was no authentic record of his date of birth. Although born into a family of idol worshippers, His father, Tunolase was a renowned and highly revered native doctor within Ikare and its environs. However, through the divine power of the Holy Spirit, Moses Orimolade became an evangelist and an accomplished prayerist.

It is understood that Orimolade once tried to go into trading, by buying and selling palm oil and kola nuts as trade was flourishing between the Ikare people and Hausa traders from northern Nigeria. He was said to have travelled to a village in northern Nigeria called Oshokoshoko. On his way he encountered an angel who reminded him of his mission as a prophet of God, and that he should not jettison preaching for trading. He was taken ill and his companion took his report back to his people. Egunjobi, his brother, was dispatched immediately to bring him back home. But before Egunjobi reached Oshokoshoko, Orimolade had arrived back in Ikare by a means none could explain.

Records indicate that Orimolade moved to Lagos on July 12, 1924 where he began to receive considerable media attention when it was noised that he "healed" a girl, known at the time as Christina Abiodun Emmanuel (nee Akinsowon), from a long-term trance, during which she could neither speak nor hear. She was to become known as Captain Abiodun Emmanuel, a fervent co-worker of Orimolade in his evangelistic mission.

Born on the 25th December 1907, Christina Abiodun Emmanuel was to play a significant role in the exposure of Orimolade's ministry and mission. One day, when she was 18 years old, she went into a trance (from 18th to 25th June 1925), while watching the Catholic's CORPUS Christi Celebration in Lagos.

According to her she saw an angel, after which she immediately fell sick and was taken home by her friends and relatives. To her surprise the angel followed her. She was the

only person seeing the angel and nobody else. Abiodun was in the trance from that time until Moses Orimolade was called to her side to pray for her. She was reported to be speaking in tongues; nobody could understand what she was saying - apparently speaking with the angels that were with her. Only she alone could speak angel language, this terrified her parents. Fearing that she was physically sick, they called in many people to help, but they were not able to bring her to consciousness. Rev Ogunbiyi who knew Moses Orimolade, having seen him

preach and performed many miracles, told Abiodun's parents how to find Moses Orimolade. It was said that when Orimolade came it was raining heavily, but miraculously he was not wet. It was Moses Orimolade that understood the angel language and was able to respond Abiodun Akinsowon. He prayed with her (Emmanuel) and she regained consciousness.

Nobody including Rev Ogunbiyi knew what was happening, nobody had ever told them about being in a trance before that time. The news of this strange event broke and spread like wild fire

and people were singing about it. When Orimolade started his evangelistic mission, he didn't have the intention of

establishing a church. He was only "recruiting" for the existing churches at the time. Any church where he was welcomed, he would deliver the sermon and conduct revival services which resulted in many turning to Christ and these converts joining the churches he visited during his itinerant ministry; and he made many friends among the Anglican, Baptist, Methodist and African Church pastors. He started his evangelistic ministry at a period when there was a lukewarm attitude to the service and worship of God. There were lots of shortcomings in the churches. For example, the pastors were looking at themselves as gods to be worshipped; there was no correctly "dividing the word of God" – what the Bible refers to as "the word of God was scarce in those days" – the sheep were not being fed. Instead, the pastors were looking after their own interests. The clergy had become very corrupt, and the positions and promotions in the churches were no more based on merits. Heathen practices were rife and membership of secret cults became fashionable and acceptable.

With the founding of the C & S in June 1925, Orimolade seemed to have realized the consummation of his evangelistic aspirations. From then on till his death on October 19, 1933 at only fifty-four, he remained in the background, allowing his youthful and socially more presentable followers to popularize the church he had founded.

## **BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CHURCH IN THE UK**

**T**his church came into existence as the manifestation of prophecy of Baba Moses Orimolade Tunolase; by which he stated that 40 years after the establishment of the Cherubim & Seraphim Church in Nigeria, it shall have a branch overseas (that is Europe). In fulfilment of that prophecy, in 1965, exactly 40 years after C. & S. was founded in Nigeria, the church was established in this land (London, UK). This marked the beginning of our great church, which is the first Cherubim and Seraphim Church (perhaps the first black-led church) to be established in the UK and why it is generally acknowledged as the headquarters of C&S Churches in Europe.

The church was effectively established in the UK at a meeting of 5th of June 1965 held at (the then) Elder S.A. Abidoye's residence, 18 Arlingford road London, SW2 2SU. The members were mainly students who have been active members of the C&S church in Nigeria. Based on seniority the Late Prophet Rose Ozasuwa became the first leader and the then Elder S.A. Abidoye was made his deputy. Many of the founding members such as elder G.O Fakeye, Ayorinde, Opaleke, Peter Korode went on to become eminent personalities within the Cherubim and Seraphim Church and the body of Christ worldwide.

To God be the glory.

## VISION STATEMENT:

**"Eradication of Spiritual Blindness through the power of the Word and the Holy Spirit"**

## BIBLE REFERENCES:

***"And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God."***

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

***"Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;"***

Isaiah 35:5

## MISSION STATEMENT:

***"Our mission is to strengthen and lead people both in the immediate and wider communities into a growing and close relationship with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ."***

## AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To spread the Word of God throughout the world by supporting individuals in establishing and developing a relationship with Christ.
- To engage in soul winning and fostering spiritual growth among brethren with the principles and attributes of the Kingdom of God.
- To employ prayer and fasting with evangelism and charitable works as the four pinnacle cornerstones in spreading the biblical teachings of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- To provide an enriching and loving platform for children and young adults to understand the basic teachings of the Bible in a simplified way so they can experience the love of God and live impactful lives becoming a blessing to the community and the world at large.
- To effectively capture the move of God in our times through spreading the full gospel to the wider community by caring for the sick and all those in need of fellowship and support.
- To provide welcome facilities for the Elderly and an informative mentoring platform for the Youth so as to impact personal and wealth of work experiences in all areas of life for the advancement of their careers and development.

## OUR WEEKLY SERVICES

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<b>SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE</b>	Every Tues	7.00pm - 9.00pm
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<b>SHILOH SERVICE/BIBLE STUDY</b>	Every Weds	7.00pm - 9.00pm
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<b>CONSULTATION PRAYER</b>	Every 2nd Fri	7.00pm - 9.00pm
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<b>VISIONERS NIGHT VIGIL</b>	Every 1st Fri	12 midnight
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<b>CHURCH NIGHT VIGIL</b>	Every last Fri of the Month	11:45pm
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<b>SPECIAL PRAYER</b>	Every Sat	15.00pm - 7.00pm
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## SUNDAY SERVICE

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<b>BIBLE STUDY</b>	Every Sun	11.00am
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<b>SUNDAY SERVICE</b>		12 .00 Noon
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