

All busy leaders from all over the world and all time have always felt the need for renewal after months of hard work. Every leader irrespective of vocation appreciates the need for personal renewal and rest after months of hard work and from pressures of busy office work. Jesus, himself though the Son of God saw the need to get away with his disciples to a lonely place where they would rest and evaluate their work.

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest. So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place.
Mark 6:3031

We intend to create a peaceful environment where Christian leaders meet for a weekend away in a retreat place for spiritual renewal but also to network, share their experiences and receive encouragement and prayer support to go back and effectively engage in transformative activities of their Kingdom assignment.

Notice that they gathered around Jesus. The unifying factor is that we are believers

and servants of the Lord. In sharing our experiences from the various backgrounds, we are reporting to Jesus what and how we have done our part in the Kingdom assignment. They were so busy they could not even get time to eat. So he said, Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest. This kind of busy-ness where you do not even have time to eat, can drain you not only physically and emotionally, but also spiritually. Our spiritual nourishment comes from meditating in the word of God. That is how our spirits are fed. When we are so busy, and unable to feed on the word, we easily get spiritually malnourished. This leads to spiritual weakness, which makes us vulnerable to the enemy's attacks in many different ways: family, sicknesses, marriages, moral and ethical failures, etc.

These LRW are times to leave the busy schedules of your office to gather around Jesus with other leaders of a kindred spirit to meditate on the word, spend sometime in prayer and for spiritual renewal. We also share with others and the Lord whatever you are doing and accomplishing in your particular area of Kingdom assignment.

As pulpit ministers, we feel we need to stand with you, our marketplace leaders who daily and continually are on the

frontline battling and feeling the brunt side of the battles of life and public service. We feel that we need to give you a listening ear and a shoulder to cry on, so that we can pray with you and support your efforts in national transformation and in the fulfillment of the Great Commission of discipling our nation. We recognise the indispensable contribution you marketplace leaders are playing in the transformation of our nation. In fact sustainable and lasting national transformation only takes place when there is an active and deliberate collaboration between pulpit and marketplace leaders.

We realise the level of loneliness leaders experience, mostly people come to you with problems day in and day out. You are always giving out of yourself sacrificially to others. How about a weekend when you are not listening or meeting people's needs but being ministered to. A weekend away from the schedules of a busy office and other leadership demands to relax in an environment of a loving team of fellow leaders to listen to your challenges, sympathise with you, understand you, cry with you, rejoice with you, encourage you and pray with you. That is the vision of Leadership Renewal Weekends.

We believe that our nation desperately needs leaders of your caliber, who against

all odds are determined to stand for righteousness and integrity. We daily read and hear stories of unprecedented levels of corruption in the public office and other evils like witchcraft, child sacrifice, etc but also challenges like poverty, ignorance and disease all over the country. We feel we cannot just sit back or merely mourn for our motherland. We must network and support the efforts and labors of people like you who are on the frontline fighting all forms of wickedness. From the biblical perspective, we intend to encourage Kingdom minded leaders to continue standing firm in integrity and to disciple others under them.

These leadership renewal weekends are also intended to sharpen our spiritual antennas in the various ways the Lord wants us to network and support each other. For example, the racket of the corrupt is like cobweb in various strategic positions in public offices. We also need a well mobilised, motivated and coordinated team of inspired and fearless leaders to rout this wickedness. It also requires on-going intercessory prayer altars in all key places to pray for this crusade. We want to marshall the unlimited potential of the church to stand

behind you in prayer support. Therefore, apart from the rest and much needed spiritual encouragement, these LRW are also intended to support the cause for national transformation, and equip market place ministers with “skills on dominion” and particularly the fight against corruption in our society in a proactive way.

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“In all my 19 years in ministry as bishop and archbishop, only two people came to pray for me, the rest came with problems,”
Former Archbishop Luke Orombi

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