

2019 – MY YEAR OF BOUNTIFUL SOWING AND BOUNTIFUL REAPING
Because I have decided to sow bountifully this year, I will also reap bountifully

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II Corinthians 9:6.

These days, seed sowing and tithing have become subjects of controversies in the print and social media. Notwithstanding, the stand point of “Grace Bible Mission” is that church must teach the truth and must not shy away from kingdom’s principle for fear of having the intentions misrepresented. Pastors are not the author of the Bible and should not keep kingdom’s truth away from people; denying them the opportunity of being blessed. Though, one is aware that this particular teaching has been grossly abused in certain regards, be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that he also reaps – Galatians 6:7. However, Genesis 26 presupposes that sowing had become part of Isaac – drought or no drought. It was not the seed that he sowed in the past that rescued him, it was the one that he sowed during famine that did. No wonder, Ecclesiastes 11: 6 says – “In the Morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good”. Are you going through harsh economic condition? That is the time to sow in order to overcome famine. Also, you ask God to guide you on what to sow. It is not only material thing you can sow, you can sow time, prayer, witnessing to souls. You can sow in the area of following-up of converts and new comers in the church. You can sow kindness, mercy, love and forgiveness. The only way we can reap the harvest of our seed planting of 2018 evangelism is to do the following-up on souls and preserve the fishes we have caught somehow, in the troubled waters of life. It is only by bold and generous giving you dare put God to the test. He has given you the permission to prove Him. You will not only lay up for yourself treasures in heaven but you will also experience tremendous joy here on earth – Luke 6:38. It is by the law of nature

that the Dead Sea lives up to its name. It is too salty to sustain life, fish unfortunate to be washed down the Jordan into Dead Sea immediately dies. You may well have heard the comparison between the Sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea. It bears repeating; the Sea of Galilee receives water and gives out water. The water is fresh hence, it supports plenty of fish and it is a good source of water for irrigation. It is alive and life-giving. But, on the other hand, the Dead Sea receives water but doesn't give life. It is appropriately named the "Dead Sea." What accounts for this unusual condition? There are absolutely no outlets! A great volume of water pours into this area but nothing flows out. Many inlets plus no outlets equals a dead sea. Jeremiah 2:13 speaks of God's living water. The water is for us to receive and pass on to others. The Sea of Galilee or the Dead Sea – which one, are you? This explains why many believers are so unfruitful lacking spiritual vitality. The injunction to all and sundries, this year 2019, is – Take in all you can but, you must also give out in service to others. May the Lord make us refreshing fountain where thirsty soul may drink.