

5 May 2024  
Tamale District Center  
Building Dedication

Our beloved Father in heaven, we bow before Thee in reverence on this day of dedication. Our hearts are filled with gratitude for this place of meeting and instruction. We rejoice that this building has been erected in this place of Tamale to be a beacon of light and truth to the inhabitants of this great city.

Now, acting in behalf of all those who are present, and in the authority of the holy priesthood, which is the priesthood after the order of thy Son and under the direction of the Africa West Area Presidency, we consecrate and dedicate to Thee and to Thy Beloved Son this the Tamale District Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

We dedicate the grounds, the structure from the footings to the spire that reaches heavenward as a symbol of our heaven bound prayers and desires. We dedicate each of the rooms and facilities, including the baptismal font where thy sons and daughters will make a covenant with thee to willingly take upon them the name of thy Son Jesus Christ, to always remember Him, to keep His commandments and to serve others. We dedicate this beautiful chapel that it will be a place of refuge, worship, and joy for those who come to partake of the Lord's sacrament each Sabbath day.

We dedicate the electrical lines and equipment that provide light and the electronic equipment that provides sound to this building as well as all other components of this building necessary for the safe and efficient operations required to continue to move forward the work of gathering Israel.

We ask thee Heavenly Father that this building may be preserved against the ravages of nature and any defiling hand. We ask thee that the Holy Spirit will abide constantly within these walls and that all who enter will feel the spirit of the restored gospel of Jesus Christ as reflected in the lives of the members of this Church. Bless the members who come, that this building will be a place of continued repentance and sincere renewal of their sacred covenants. That through the sacrament and inspired instruction, consecrated disciples will come to know the Master on more holy levels. Bless the visitors who come that they will feel the spirit of love and truth that permeate the doctrines of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Bless the rising generation, the children, the youth, and young single adults who enter here that they will find rest and joy in the sanctity of this building, that it will be a place of learning and inspiration for them as they grow into adulthood.

Bless the widows, the widowers, the orphans, the lonely, the despised, the troubled, and the confused, that here they will find fellow citizens of the household of God who will love, lift, and encourage them.

Bless the Husbands and Wives that come to worship here that they will be inspired to love and serve each other more earnestly. May they be blessed to love and serve the Lord with greater desire and reach out to other members of this congregation in need of their nurture both now and in the future.

Bless the leaders who are called to serve here that they will be inspired to give their hearts, might, minds, and strength to the living God, placing their wills upon the altar that all they minister to will be uplifted, edified, and strengthened by their example and love.

Bless the work of Gathering Israel here in this beautiful, growing city of Tamale, that this building will draw the serious truth seeker to come and see and come and stay. May the spiritual light that emanates from this building penetrate and draw in those who are prepared and seeking greater light and knowledge for themselves and for their family. May this building be an inviting beacon of heavenly safety from the storms of life to all who pass by. May each feel the desire to learn more about the light, truth, and spirit they feel as they look upon its structure. May thou protect this building so that it may fully fulfill its divine purpose as a gathering place of the righteous in times of peril, pestilence, and destruction.

We so pray on this day of dedication for these and all other blessings of which we may stand in need. We rededicate ourselves and that with which Thou hast blessed us in the name of our Redeemer, the Savior of the world, Thine own Beloved Son, even the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.