

Do we have to physically attend a church house or not?

So the Holy Spirit has laid it upon me to bring some light to this question. The church house is a place where you can go to worship Jesus Christ. That is their exact function to allow fellow Christians a place to go and assemble to worship our Lord. But are they mandatory for Christians to attend them? That is what we will be looking at today. So a lot of people will say yes to this question without seeking further on the matter. Because of one verse and that is Hebrews 10:25. I will be using the CEB translation of the bible for this Lesson.

Hebrew 10:25

25. Don't stop meeting together with other believers, which some people have gotten into the habit of doing. Instead, encourage each other, especially as you see the day drawing near.

With this being said this verse is simply telling you not to stop doing that. Not once does it refer to the Church House as being the only place to assemble. Because it's not the only place where we can assemble to worship and hear the WORD of GOD. There are Home Churches, there are Gatherings in streets. If you're a true Christian you can worship Jesus Christ anywhere. And modern Christianity states that you have to be a part of a church building to be a part of the church. And that is what the Holy Spirit inside me wants to expose. So first of all let's figure out what an assembly is to begin with. An assembly is a gathering of people for a common purpose. Let's see what scripture refers to as assembling. Matthew 18:20 is the verse we will be looking at.

Matthew 18:20

20. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I'm there with them."

Sounds like an assembly is occurring there. Whether it be to correct people or getting together for worship the point is there is an assembling of people coming together for a purpose. Furthermore scripture states that God doesn't reside in a place made by human hands. Acts 17:24 and Acts 7:48 will back this claim up; you

don't have to attend a church house to find Jesus Christ.

Acts 17:24

24. God, who made the world and everything in it, is Lord of heaven and earth. He doesn't live in temples made with human hands.

Acts 7:48

48. However, the Most High doesn't live in houses built by human hands. As the prophet says,

So where does God reside? Well honestly everywhere but there is one place that sticks out and that is inside of me and you the people that accept Jesus Christ as Lord and believe in his Resurrection, the Church. He works through us not a building, you are the church. You are the temple that Christ Jesus resides in. Here are the scriptures to back all this up. 1 Corinthians 3:16, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, 2 Corinthians 6:16, and Ephesians 2:20-22.

1 Corinthians 3:16

16. Don't you know that you are God's temple and God's Spirit lives in you?

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

19. Or don't you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you? Don't you know that you have the Holy Spirit from God, and you don't belong to yourselves?

20. You have been bought and paid for, so honor God with your body.

2 Corinthians 6:16

16. What agreement can there be between God's temple and idols? Because we are the temple of the living God. Just as God said, I live with them, and I will move among them. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

Ephesians 2:20-22

20. As God's household, you are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

21. The whole building is joined together in him, and it grows up into a temple that is dedicated to the Lord.

22. Christ is building you into a place where God lives through the Spirit.

So to answer the question, no you do not have to attend a Church House to be a Christian and to be obedient as long as you are meeting with fellow Christians, anywhere will suffice at home even. Here are some scriptures blessing the home church. Colossians 4:15, Philemon 1:2, 1 Corinthians 16:19

Colossians 4:15

15. Say hello to the brothers and sisters in Laodicea, along with Nympha and the church that meets in her house.

Philemon 1:2

2. Apphia our sister, Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church that meets in your house.

1 Corinthians 16:19

19. The churches in the province of Asia greet you. Aquila and Prisca greet you warmly in the Lord, together with the church that meets in their house.

With all this being said, where is irrelevant as long as you are doing it. And by doing means associating with your brothers and sisters the followers of Christ. You could meet in the streets, at Home, or the Church house. It's irrelevant where as long as you are doing it. Amen and God Bless you