

SUNDAY SCHOOL - MEMORY VERSE RECITATION



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Pastoral Letter

Dearly beloved,

Warm Greetings in Christ,



At the Outset, I praise God and heartily appreciate all our children for securing very good scores in their public examinations and have been able to get seats in good colleges. As your academics have begun, I encourage you to thankfully depend on God for best things in your future life too. I congratulate the new office bearers who have joined the pastorate administration team and I am praying for a zealous ministry and harvest this year, both inside and outside our church, through you. I encourage all the departments of the Church to do a model job in the undertaken responsibilities and build God's kingdom in the hearts of people. Thanks to all the members for the overwhelming response in the Quarterly Quiz competition and fellowship potluck led by Sangeeth and Annie. I wish for a great time of revival in the upcoming Annual Family Camp (English) especially with the resource persons – Mr Davidar (IAS) and Dr Mrs Shanthi Davidar, who are my favourite ones from Chennai. Continue to uphold the needy families in our Church and outreach through your prayers and contribute to pay the school / college fees for their children.

'Abide in Me and I will abide in you...' John 15:4

In this verse, it seems that God wants something more from His children. He does not want a touch-and-go relationship with us – coming to Him and going away whenever we like it. He desires to have a true and permanently committed abiding-in experience with us. Christ must have done everything from his side to remain with us, in the sin-infected conditions, before promising neither to leave us nor to forsake us. Therefore we must make sure that we have such an abiding experience with him. How are we going to understand and be sure of this in our life?

The Bible only helps us to know about the terms of His relationship, which God himself has spelled out. By taking a fresh look into His instructions and promises, of external and internal conditions, we will be able to have a better experience of abiding in Him. Starting with worshipping him and making our dependence on him in prayer disciplines, we should move from the initial connecting experiences to a deeper abiding in faith and love. A correct understanding of God's character and his purposes with a willingness to obey are now-a-days rarely popular. Rather than to trust, obey and rearrange life priorities for godly living, a selfish and commodity form of religion and revival is gaining stage and capturing the Christian understanding everywhere. Such attempts of explaining a distorted faith will not stand for long and will disillusion the minds over time. Jesus doubted if faith will be seen when he comes again.

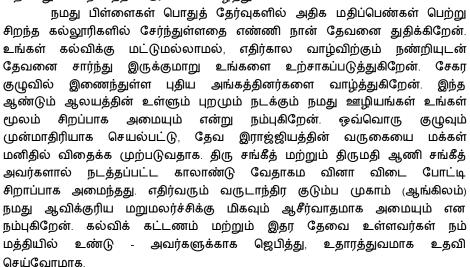
Are we abiding in him? Changing times bring about changes in our values, traditions and even in spiritual views and forms of worship. But if the Lord questions our practical commitment to him today, would we be able to say, "Yes, I am abiding in my Lord". In Christian history, it took severe sacrifices and forfeiting of convenient values, for his children to say that response. While Hudson Taylor and his wife were comfortlessly mourning in their mission field over their beloved little daughter's death, this word 'Abide in me and I will abide in you' brought the life and restoration

to them. How? It was in the secret of abiding relationship with their living Saviour. Subtle deceiving forces will certainly be there to make us loose direction and drift from the faith. But the Lord will constantly work to bring us and strongly build us in that sweet personal experience of abiding in him so that he can abide in us. Let us strive for this relationship with God in a mutually encouraging Church environment. Grace be with you always.

Rev. T. David Livingston

போதகர் மடல்

கிறிஸ்துவுக்குள் பிரியமானவர்களே, கிறிஸ்குவின் நாமத்தில் அன்பின் வாழ்க்குக்கள்.



'என்னில் நிலைத்திருங்கள்; நானும் உங்களில் நிலைத்திருப்பேன்' யோவான் 15:4

இந்த வசனத்தில், தேவன், தம்முடைய பிள்ளைகள் தம்முடன் ஒரு மேற்போங்கான உறவுடன் வாழாமல், நிலைத்து வாழும்படி அழைக்கிறார். நாம் நினைக்கும்போது அவருடன் உறவுகொண்டு மற்ற நேரங்களில் சுய இஷ்டப்படி வாழ்வது அவரது விருப்பம் அல்ல. நமது பாவ நிலையை அவர் உணர்ந்து, மனிதருக்கு எல்லா விதங்களிலும் உதவி செய்ய தயாராயிருக்கிறார். எனவே தான் நான் உங்களை விட்டு விலகுவதுயில்லை, கைவிடுவதுயில்லை என்று வாக்கு அருளியிருக்கிறார். இத்தகைய கிறிஸ்துவில் நிலைத்திருக்கும் வாழ்வை நாம் எப்படி பெற முடியும்?

தேவனோடு உள்ள உறவைக் குறித்து தேவனே வேதாகமத்தில் விளக்கியிருக்கிறார். வெவேறு கால துழ்நிலைகளில் தேவன் கொடுத்துள்ள வாக்குத்தத்தங்களையும் அறிவுரைகளையும் கற்றுக்கொள்வதன் மூலம் அவரில் நிலைத்திருக்க முடியும். நமது ஜெப வாழ்க்கை, ஆராதனை அனைத்தும் தேவனை கண்டு கொள்வதில் தொடங்கி ஆழமான விசுவாசமும் அன்பும் நிறைந்த தேவ உறவில் நிலைத்திருப்பதை நோக்கி தொடர வேண்டும். தேவனுடைய உண்மையான குணத்தை உணர்ந்து, அவரது கட்டளைகளுக்குக் கீழ்ப்படிவதை இந்நாட்களில் காணமுடிவதில்லை. கர்த்தரை நம்பி, அவருக்குக் கீழ்ப்படிந்து வாழ்வதை மறந்து, தன்னலமிக்க, ஒரு வியாபார பொருளைப் போன்ற கிறிஸ்தவத்தையே இன்று காண முடிகிறது. உண்மையான விசுவாசத்தை திரிக்கும் இத்தகைய உபதேசங்கள் வெகு காலம் நிலைத்திருக்க முடியாது.

நாம் அவரில் நிலைத்திருக்கிறோமா? மாறி வரும் கலாச்சாரங்களும் நம்பிக்கைகளும் ஆவிக்குரிய வாழ்வையும் ஆராதனையையும் நமது பாதிக்கக்கூடும். இன்று ஆண்டவர் நம்முடைய அர்ப்பணிப்பை கேள்வி கேட்டால், ஆம், நான் என் ஆண்டவரில் நிலைத்திருக்கிறேன் என்று நம்மால் கூற முடியுமா? கிறிஸ்தவ வரலாற்றை திரும்பிப் பார்த்தால், தங்கள் வசதி வாய்ப்புகளை கிறிஸ்துவுக்காக விட்டுக்கொடுத்த அவரது பிள்ளைகளால் மாத்திரமே இவ்வாறு கூற முடிந்திருக்கிறது. மிஷனரி ஊழியராகிய ஹட்சன் டெய்லரும் அவரது மனைவியும், தங்கள் அருமை மகளை இழந்த பொழுது, ்என்னில் நிலைத்திருங்கள்; நானும் உங்களில் நிலைத்திருப்பேன்[,] என்ற இந்த வசனத்தால் தேற்றப்பட்டார்கள். கவனிக்கக்கூடாத சிறிய காரியங்கள் கூட ஆழமான விசுவாசத்திலுருந்து நம்மை வழிவிலகச் செய்து விடும். ஆனால் ஆண்டவர் நம் மேல் தொடர்ந்து செயல் படும்போது அவரில் நமது அருமையான கொடுக்க நிலைத்திருக்கும் இந்த அனு⊔வத்தை நமக்குக் முடியும். இத்தகைய தேவனுடனான உறவை தொடர்ந்து நாடுவோமாக.

தேவ கிருபை உங்களுடன் தரித்திருப்பதாக

போதகர் டேவிட் லிவிங்ஸ்டன்

Announcements

• திருமண வாழ்த்து

புது மண தம்பதிகளாகிய திரு.ஜேம்ஸ் திருமதி நிவாஞ்சலி அவர்களுக்கு திருச்ச்பையின் சார்பாக வாழ்த்துக்கள்.

New-born

Ashok Doddanna and Leena have been blessed with a baby girl on 3rd July

இம்மாதத்தில் பிறந்த நாள் மற்றும் திருமண நாள் காணும் அனைவரையும் சபையின் சார்பாக வாழ்த்துகிறோம். கர்த்தர் உங்களை ஆசீர்வதிப்பாராக

Wishes from congregation to all who celebrate Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries this month

May God Bless you!

என் தாசனாகிய மோசே

- டாக்டர் சாலமன் புஷ்பராஜ்

யோசுவா 1 ஆம் அதிகாரம் 2 ஆம் வசனத்தில் கர்த்தர் யோசுவாவிடம் பேசிய வசனம் " என் தாசனாகிய மோசே மரித்துப் போனான்" என்பதாகும். கர்த்தர் மோசேயை " என் தாசன்" என்று சொன்னார். ஆங்கில வேதாகமத்தில் எனறு எழுதப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. எனவே இதனை "My Servant" ஊழியக்காரன்' என்றும் நாம் கருதலாம். தேவனுடைய ஊழியக்காரன் எப்படிப்பட்டவனாய் இருக்க வேண்டும் என்பதற்கு மோசேயின் வாழ்வு ஒரு வருடங்களாக சிறந்க உதாரணமாகும். 40 கடவுளின் அமைப்பின்படி இஸ்ரவேல் ஜனங்களை சிறப்பாய் வழிநடத்திச் சென்ற மாபெரும் தலைவன் மோசே தேவன் அவனை 'என் தாசன் அல்லது ஊழியக்காரன்' மற்றவர்களிடம் பெருமிதமாய்ச் சொல்லும்படியாய் அவன் வாழ்வில் இருந்த நற்குணங்களை நாம் இங்கு தியானிப்போம்.

1. கர்த்தரை முகமுகமாய் அறிந்தவன்

மோசேயைப் பற்றி வேதத்தில் கூறப்பட்டுள்ள கடைசி வசனம் உபாகமம் 34:12 இல் உள்ளது. "கர்த்தரை முகமுகமாய் அறிந்த மோசேயைப் போல ஒரு தீர்க்கதரிசியும் இஸ்ரவேலில் அப்புறம் எழும்பினதில்லை என்று விளங்கும்". மோசேக்கு வேதத்தில் கொடுக்கப்பட்ட அடைமொழி " கர்த்தரை முகமுகமாய் அறிந்த தீர்க்கதரிசி" என்பதே. அந்த அளவுக்கு அவன் தேவனுடன் நெருங்கிய உறவு கொண்டிருந்தான். யாத்திராகமம் 33:11 ஆம் வசனத்தில் "ஒருவன் தன் சிநேகிதனோடே பேசுவது போல, கர்த்தர் மோசேயோடே முகமுகமாய் பேசினார்" என்று மோசே தேவனோடு ஒரு நண்பனைப் போல் உறவாடியதை தெரியப்படுத்துகிறது. ஒருவருக்கு ஊழியம் செய்வதற்கு முன் நாம் அறிந்திருக்க வேண்டியது என்ன? நாம் அவரை அறிந்திருப்பதே. நாம் அவரை தெளிவாய் அறிந்திருக்கும் போது தான் அவருக்கு என்ன பிடிக்கும், என்ன பிடிக்காது என்பதை உணர்ந்து, அவருக்கு சிறப்பாக ஊழியம் செய்ய முடியும்.

। சாமுவேல் 2:12 இல் ஏலியின் குமாரர்களைப் பற்றி வாசிக்கிறோம். ஏலியின் குமாரர் பேலியாளின் மக்களாயிருந்தார்களாம். ஏலி ஒரு ஆசாரியன். முழு நேரமாய் தேவனுக்கு ஊழியம் செய்தவன். ஏலியின் பிள்ளைகளும் முழு நேரமாய் ஆசாரிய ஊழியம் செய்தவர்கள் அவர்களைக் குறித்து வேதம் பேலியாளின் மக்கள் என்று கூறுவதற்குக் காரணம் என்ன? **ு சாமுவேல்** 2: 12 பின் பாகம் காரணத்தைக் இன் கூறுகிறது "அவர்கள் கர்த்தரை அறியவில்லை". கர்த்தரை அறியாதவர்கள் (முழுநேரமாய் ஊழியம் ஆசாரியனின் செய்கிறவர்களாய் இருந்தாலும், (போதகர்) பிள்ளையாய் இருந்தாலும் அவர்கள் பேலியாளின் பிள்ளைகளாய்த் தான் இருப்பார்கள். அவர்களுக்கும் தேவனுக்கும் எந்த உறவும் இருக்காது. காரணம் அவர்கள் தேவனை அறியாதவர்கள். அவர்கள் பாவம் செய்கிறவர்களாய்த் இருப்பார்கள். மற்றவர்கள் கர்த்தருடைய வழியைவிட்டு விலக காரணமாய் இருப்பார்கள் (1 சாமுவேல் 2: 24, 25) ஆனால் தேவனை அறிந்தவர்களே

மற்றவர்களை தேவனுக்குள் வழிநடத்துகிறவர்களாய் இருப்பார்கள். தேவனை முகமுகமாய் அறிந்துகொள்ளுதல் அவருக்கு ஊழியம் செய்வதற்கு ஒரு அடிப்படை தகுதியாகும் (Knowing God is a prerequisite for serving God). தேவனை அறிவது என்பது ஒரு மூளை சார்ந்த அறிவு அல்ல - புத்தகங்களைப் படித்து நாம் அறிவதற்கு. இது இதயம் சார்ந்த ஒன்றாகும் இது தேவனுடன் அனுதினம் போதுமான நேரம் செலவழித்து உறவாடுவதிலேயே வருவதாகும்.

2. கர்த்தருக்கு முழுமையாய் கீழ்ப்படிந்தவன்

தேவன் மோசேயை ஒரு நோக்கத்துடன் அழைத்தார். யாத்திராகமம் மோசேக்கு விடுத்த அழைப்பின் 3:10 வசனத்தில் தேவன் நோக்கத்தை தெளிவாய் கூறினார். " நீ இஸ்ரவேலின் புத்திரராகிய என் ஜனத்தை வரும்படி உன்னைப் பார்வோனிடத்திற்கு எகிப்திலிருந்து அழைத்து அனுப்புவேன் வா என்றார்". மோசேக்கோ பயம்; பார்வோன் அனுப்புவானா? இஸ்ரவேல் மக்கள் என்னை நம்புவார்களா? எல்லா பயத்தின் மத்தியிலும் கடைசியாக தேவனுடைய அழைப்புக்கு கீழ்ப்படிய தீர்மானித்தான். அழைப்பை பாடுகள்? நிறைவேற்றுவதில்தான் எத்தனை எத்தனை பிரச்சனைகள். பார்வோன் மக்களை விட இஸ்ரவேல் மக்கள் மறுத்தான். കിത്വ பிரச்சனைகளுக்குக்கூட மோசேக்கு தேவனுக்குக் காத்திருக்க மறுத்து விரோதமாக முறுமுறுத்தனர். மோசே செய்தது ஒன்றுதான். என்ன பிரச்சனை வந்தாலும் அவன் தேவனிடம் போனான். யாத்திராகமம் 5:22 இல் மோசே கர்த்தரிடத்தில் திரும்பிப்போய் ஆண்டவரே, இந்த ஜனங்களுக்கு தீங்குவரப்பண்ணினதென்ன?" என கேவனிடம் போய் முறையிட்டான். யாக்கிராகமம் மற்றும் 7 ஆம் அதிகாரங்களில் மோசே என்ன செய்ய வேண்டும் என தேவன் தெளிவாய் கூறினார். யாத்திராகமம் 7:6 வசனத்தில் மோசேயும் ஆரோனும் கர்த்தர் தங்களுக்குக் கட்டளையிட்டபடியே செய்தார்கள். டி.எல் மூடி என்கிற பக்தன் "மோசே கர்த்தர் கட்டளையிட்டபடியே செய்தான்[®] என்பது 50 முறை வேதாகமத்தில் வருவதாக கூறுகிறார். தேவன் மோசேயை வல்லமையாய் பயன்படுக்கியகற்கு அவன் கர்த்தரின் கட்டளைக்கு அப்படியே கீழ்ப்படிந்ததும் ஒரு முக்கிய காரணம் (Obeying God is a prerequisite for Serving God).

3. கர்த்தருடைய பணியில் சுயநலமின்றி பணியாற்றியவன்.

எண்ணாகமம் 11: 26-29 ஆம் வசனத்தில் எல்தாத் மற்றும் பேதாத் பாளையத்தில் ஆவியினால் தீர்க்கதரிசனம் சொன்ன பொழுது நிறைந்து யோசுவா அவர்களை தடைபண்ணும் என்றான். ஆனால் மோசே " நீ எனக்காக வொர்க்கியம் காண்பிக்கிறாயோ? கர்த்தருடைய ஜனங்கள் தீர்க்கதரிசனம் சொல்லத்தக்கதாக கர்த்தர் தம்முடைய ஆவியை அவர்கள் இறங்கப்பண்ணினால் நலமாயிருக்குமே" என்றான். தேவன் பணியில் பரந்க மனம் உடையவன்: தான் மட்டும் தீர்க்கதரிசியானால<u>்</u> போதாது, எல்லா மக்களும் ஆவியினால் நிறைந்து தீர்க்கதரிசனம் சொன்னால் நலமாயிருக்கும் என்றான் மோசே.

...தொடர்ச்சி 9 ஆம் பக்கம்

விக்கிரக ஆராதனை

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நம் தேவன் நமக்கு பல காரியங்களை கொடுத்திருக்கிறார். அவற்றில் முக்கியமானது, வாழ்வை செவ்வைப்படுத்துவதற்கான பத்து கட்டளைகள். அவற்றில் ஒன்று விக்கிரக ஆராதனையை தவிர்ப்பது.

விக்கிரக ஆராதனை நம் வாழ்வில் இல்லையென்று நம்மில் பலரும் நினைப்பதுண்டு. அது சில சமயம் தவறு. நமது வாழ்வில் நாம் தேவன் மீது வைத்திருக்கும் அன்பையும் முக்கியத்துவத்தையும் விட வேறு ஏதாவது பொருள் மீதோ, மனிதர்கள் மீதோ அதிகம் கவனம் வைத்தோம் என்றால் அதுவே விக்கிரக ஆராதனைக்குச் சமமாகும். அவசரமும் அவசியமும் மிகுந்த இந்த உலகில் நாம் விக்கிரக ஆராதனை செய்வதுண்டு, வாருங்கள் நாம் எந்த காரியங்களில் பொதுவாக தவறுகிறோம் என்று பார்ப்போம்!

தேவன் கொடுத்த கட்டளையை நாம் முழுமையாகப் படித்தோமென்றால் விக்கிரக ஆராதனை என்ன என்பது நமக்கே நன்றாகப் புரியும். வேதத்தில் இந்த கட்டளையை யாத்திராகமம் 20:4 இல் தேவன் நமக்குக் கற்பித்துள்ளார்.

காலையில் எழும்போதும், இரவில் தூங்கும்பொழுதும் நாம் நினைக்கவேண்டியது நமது பரம பிதாவை. ஆனால் பொதுவாக நாம் பூமியில் உள்ளவைகளுக்கே அதிக முக்கியத்துவம் கொடுக்கிறோம். விக்கிரகாராதனை நமது வயதிற்கும் வசதிக்கும் ஏற்ப வேறுபடுகிறது.

சிறுவர்கள் என்றால் தேவனுக்குப் பிரியம். ஆனால் காலையில் எழுந்தவுடன் தேவனை தேட வேண்டும் என்பதை நம் சிறுவர்கள் கற்றுக்கொண்டுள்ளனரா? பெரும்பாலும் உலகப்பிரகாரமான காரியங்களே அவர்களை கவர்கின்றன. சிறு பிள்ளைகளுக்கு தேவனை தேடுவதைப் பற்றி பெற்றோர்களே கற்றுக் கொடுக்க வேண்டும். ஆனால், அதற்கு மாறாக, பொருத்தனை என்ற பெயரில் இலஞ்சம் கொடுக்க விளைகிறோம் நாம்.

எல்லாம் கொடுக்கும் தேவனுக்கு இலஞ்சமா? இது என்ன இலஞ்சம் என நாம் நினைக்கக்கூடும். என் பிள்ளை படித்து மருத்துவராகவோ, பொறியாளராகவோ மாறினால் இவ்வளவு காணிக்கை கொடுக்கிறேன் என்பதே இலஞ்சம். காணிக்கை என்பது நல்லதுதான், ஆனால் அதற்கு பிள்ளைகள் தேவனை தேடுவதை மறந்து இருக்கும்போது நாம் செய்யும் பொருத்தனை முற்றிலும் தவறானது. அவர்கள் தேவனை கண்டுகொள்வது பொருத்தனையைவிட மிகவும் முக்கியம்.

அடுத்து மிகவும் முக்கியமானது வாலிப வயது. வாலிப வயதில் நாம் எவ்வளவு தேவனை தேடுகிறோமோ அந்த அளவு ஆசீர்வதிக்கப்படுவோம். வாலிபர்கள் காலையில் எழுந்து வேத வாசிப்புடன் நாளைத் துவக்குவது இந்நாட்களில் மிகவும் குறைந்து வருகிறது. அதற்கு மாறாக, எழுந்தவுடன் அலைபேசியில் (mobile) Facebook, WhatsApp போன்ற சமூக வலைதளங்களை (Social Networks) நோக்குவதில் அதிக கவனம் செலுத்துகின்றனர்.

தேவைக்கேற்ப இவற்றை பயன்படுத்துவது தவறல்ல, ஆனால் தேவனுக்கு கொடுக்க வேண்டிய பிரதான நேரத்தை இவற்றில் செலவிடுவது முற்றிலும் தவறாகும்.

தேவனை தேடும் முன் காலையிலும் மாலையிலும் உலகத்தை தேடுகின்றனர் பலர். நாம் மாயை நிறைந்த ஓர் உலகில் வாழ்கிறோம். ஒருவரிலொருவர் அன்பாய் இருப்பது தேவையே. ஆனால் அந்த அன்பிலும் இவ்வுலகம் மாயையை கலக்கிறது. உண்மையான அன்பு எது, மாயமான அன்பு எது என்பதை அறிந்துகொள்வதில் வாலிபர்கள் மிகவும் கவனமாக இருக்க வேண்டும்.

மாயமான அன்பை தேர்ந்தெடுத்தால் வாழ்வின் தூய்மையை நாம் இழந்து, அழிவின் பாதையில் சென்று, தற்கொலை, போதைப்பழக்கம் போன்றவற்றில் சிக்கி நமது வாழ்வை அழித்துப்போடுவோம். இந்த மாயமான அன்பிலிருந்து தப்பித்துக்கொள்ள ஒரே வழி, தூய்மையும் அன்பும் நிறைந்த தேவனாகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவை அண்டிக்கொள்வதே. அதின் மூலம் நமது வாழ்வில் வெற்றியும் மகிழ்ச்சியும் பொங்கும்.

(செல்வி பெர்ஸி கணிபொறி பட்டம் படித்துள்ளார். நமது ஆலய வழிபாடு, வாலிபர் ஐக்கியம் மற்றும் மார்த்தஹள்ளி ஐக்கிய கூட்டங்களில் பங்குபெற்று வருகிறார்.)

என் தாசனாகிய மோசே...

எண்ணாகமம் 12 ஆம் அதிகாரத்தில் மிரியாமும் ஆரோனும் மோசேக்கு விரோதமாய் பேசினபொழுது தேவன் அவர்கள்மேல் கோபம் கொண்டார். மிரியாம் குஷ்டரோகியாக மாறினாள். 13 ஆம் வசனத்தில் மோசே கர்த்தரை நோக்கி "என் தேவனே, அவளை குணமாக்கும் என்று கெஞ்சினான்" மிரியாம் தன்னை இழிவாய்ப் பேசினாலும் அவள் குஷ்டரோகத்தால் பாதிக்கப்பட்ட போது அவளுக்காக கெஞ்சினவன் இந்த மோசே! பல முறை இஸ்ரவேல் ஜனங்கள் தனக்கு எதிராக பேசினாலும் அவர்களை மன்னித்து அவர்களுக்காக தேவனிடம் பரிந்து பேசினவன் இந்த மோசே (There is no place of selfishness in Serving God; A life of self-denial is a prerequisite to Serve God).

மோசே மரித்தபோது தேவனே அவனை அடக்கம்பண்ணினார். என் தாசனாகிய மோசே" என்று தேவன் யோசுவாவிடம் பெருமிதமாகச் சொன்னார். தேவனுக்கு ஊழியம் செய்யும் என் அருமை நண்பர்களே, நாம் எப்படி இருக்கிறோம்? தேவனை முகமுகமாய் அறிந்திரிக்கிறோமா? தேவனுடைய கட்டளைக்கு (மமுமையாய் கீழ்ப்படிகிறோமா? தேவனுடைய பணியில் சுயநலமின்றி செயல்படுகிறோமா? நம்மை நாமே ஆராய்ந்து பார்த்து மோசேயைப் போல் தேவனுடைய தாசனாக மாற முயற்சிப்போம். ஆமென்.

Robert A. Jaffray – Missionary to China and Indonesia

Robert Alexander Jaffray, was born in 1873 into a wealthy family. His father owned Canada's *Toronto Globe*, which is now called the Globe and Mail. His father had great ambitions for him to become the CEO and owner of it.



The Jaffray family attended Gould Street Presbyterian Church where Rob's Sunday school teacher led him to Christ when he was about 16 years old. At age 20, after hearing one of A. B. Simpson's messages, Rob surrendered his entire life to Christ and two years later became convinced that God was calling him to be a missionary to China. His father was strongly opposed to this and threatened not to pay for his expenses to travel to China, although he would be willing to pay for the return trip if Robert ever wanted to return from his long term missions.

When Jaffray sensed the calling to become a missionary to China, as a part of his preparation, he became fluent in Chinese. This skill had the Standard Oil Company of New York knocking at his door as they were seeking to set up an office in Hong Kong. In response to their offer of a huge salary, he said, "No thank-you." They later returned and doubled the salary offer to which he again said, "No thank-you." Finally they sent him a telegram with one sentence: "Jaffray, at any cost." He replied with one line, "Your salary is big. Your job is too small."

In 1897 Robert Jaffray was part of a group of new missionaries sent by A. B. Simpson to Wuchow, South China, and the place that would become Jaffray's main beach-head for the next 35 years. From there he carried on an ever-expanding program of missionary outreach. Early on, Jaffray's fellow missionaries recognized his God-given leadership abilities, and he was repeatedly elected chairman of the South China field. While he was there, his responsibilities included mission administration, preaching, evangelistic itineration, assistance in founding the Wuzhou Bible School (later called the "Alliance Seminary in Hong Kong"), editor of the Chinese "Bible Magazine", and writer for his publications.

He served as a missionary in Southeast Asia, studying maps, praying constantly, and working non-stop to extend God's kingdom into regions where the Gospel had never been heard. In order to take the strain off his heart, he had a desk made that he could pull over his bed rather like a hospital tray. He usually rose at four in the morning to begin the work.

On August 7, 1900, Robert Jaffray married Ms. Minnie Donor who had preceded him to China by two years. She faithfully worked by her husband's side and was a true asset in all of his endeavors.

In 1928, after an island-hopping trip through Indonesia, Jaffray organized the Chinese Foreign Missionary Union (CFMU) to help enlist Chinese missionaries in the task of opening Indonesia to the gospel. Priority was given to establishing a printing press and Bible Training School in Makassar,

Sulawesi (Celebes). Both of these enterprises are still flourishing today. Within ten years, American and Chinese missionaries and their Indonesian co-workers were operating on every major island of Indonesia.

Wherever Robert and his co-workers won souls, he insisted that a church be formed to hold the new converts together. He also insisted that those churches be given self-responsibility and organized to run them-

selves. As soon as possible, Robert planted Bible schools to train the new Christians, and printed material to support their Christian endeavor.

Jaffray was known for his leadership qualities and was called a "missionary strategist and statesman."

Jaffray served in Wuzhou for 35 years, in spite of a heart condition and diabetes. In 1942, Japan invaded the island where he was stationed with his wife, Minnie, and his daughter. Soon after the invasion, Jaffray and other missionaries were arrested

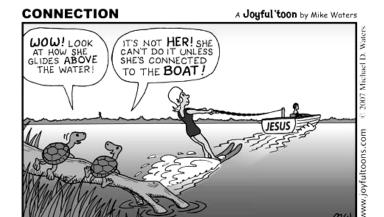


Jaffray with a group of the Indonesians he loved (1936).

by the Japanese, and sent to internment camps. Jaffray remained captive until his death on July 29, 1945 from illness and malnutrition.

On three great mission fields of the world the Church stands as a monument to Statesman Dr. Robert A. Jaffray, **man of prayer, faith, vision, and indomitable courage.**

Robert A. Jaffray's Quote: "The supreme and crying need of this lost world is the Gospel. Shall we not rise at Christ's command to carry the blessed saving news to every perishing one?"



I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. - John 15:5 NIV

Prayer Diary

Compiled by Mrs. Anne F Sangeeth

"The power of prayer has never been tried to its full capacity. If we want to see mighty wonders of divine power and grace wrought in the place of weakness, failure and disappointment, let us answer God's standing challenge, "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not! ." – J. Hudson Taylor

SUNDAY:

Nigeria: Key Facts

Nigeria is officially the Federal Republic of Nigeria. Nigeria has a large population and is known as the 'Giant of Africa'. The country has over 500 ethnic groups. Nigeria's economy has been improving rapidly due to the oil production. 46.5% of the population are Christians, 45.5% Muslim and 7.7% belong to other religions. Nigeria's human rights record remains poor and government officials continue to commit serious abuses. Child marriage and slavery remain common in Nigeria. Only 32% of the males and 27% females attend secondary school. Organised crime, drug dealership, political corruption and piracy are some of the criminal activities of the country. A radical Islamic terrorist network bent on establishing a separate Islamic state in northern Nigeria, Boko Haram has bombed churches, murdered Christians and essentially eradicated the North's Christian population. Nigeria has a shortage of doctors but the health system has been increasing due to the increasing accessibility of the drugs and healthcare services.

Capital: Abuja, Official Languages: English, Demonym: Nigerian, Current Population: 174.5 million, Government: Federal Presidential Republic, President: Goodluck Jonathan, Vice-President: Namadi Sambo, Monetary Unit: Sudanese Pound

- 1. Pray for the government and the leaders as the country is going through a lot of suffering.
- 2. Pray that the violence in the country would stop.
- 3. Pray for the victims of AIDS as Nigeria has the second highest number of HIV infections in the world.
- 4. Pray for the Christians in the country that they may grow stronger in faith and that they would proclaim the word of the Lord.
- 5. Pray that the corruption and the crimes in the country would stop.

MONDAY:

- Praise God for the Quiz that was held on June 21st.
- Pray for the Annual Family Camp and the speakers so that this camp would be a blessing to our church and to the speakers.
- Pray for the Sunday School Sunday that the kids are going to conduct in August so that it would a meaningful Sunday for the kids and the congregation.
- KR Puram Area Fellowship & its members (Dennis, families of Ashok Doddanna, Atheejoe, Jayant, Jeevan, Jothi, Naveen Warren, Stephen Daniel & Dev Sundar Raj)
- Hoodi Tamil Area Fellowship & its members (families of Andrew Isaac, Arul, Gladston, Franklin, Jyothi, Mary Rita, Prabhu Paul, Rani Jeypaul, Stephen Babu, Sarah Sarojini, Usha Reddy)

TUESDAY:

- Praise God for the teens who have got admission in various colleges, that they may be witnesses in the campus.
- Pray for the various committees and the members that they may work in oneness to achieve the team's vision.
- Pray for our Pastor Rev. David Livingston & his family and the missions that our pastor is a part of.
- Bethel Nagar Area Fellowship & its members (Moses, families of Pastor, Anand, Benjamin,

Ebenezer, Dr. Arun, Jays, John Prashanth, Kalyan, Paul Naveenraj, Prabhu, Publius, Rajkumar, Sahityadeep, Saju Alexander, Sangeeth, Selina Mohandas, Sharon, Solomon, Uttam, Vijay Prakash & Vivek)

• Devasandra Tamil Area fellowship & its members (families of Anandaraj, Koilraj, Philip, Ruth, Shekar, Thiyagaraj, Vino & Wilson)

WEDNESDAY:

- Praise God for the new-born babies added to our church.
- Pray for the Irula outreach program in Hosur, Hoodi Sunday School and the Whitefield outreach ministry.
- Pray for the home that is run by Mrs. & Mr. Peter in Raichur as the kids return from vacation.
- Whitefield Area Fellowship & its members (Daniel, families of Alan Paul, Binu George, Christopher Vasa, Irwin, Praveen, Rajan Abraham, Sanjay Joel & Thomas)
- Priyankanagar Tamil AF & its members (Families of Inbaraj, Karunamurthy, Nithya, Paneer Selvam, Rueben Gandhi, Swamidas, Suresh)
- ITPL Area Fellowship & its members (Jeffin, Shannon Isaac, families of Abraham Edwin, Anban, Clement, Darwin, Franklin Koilpillai, Henry Sam, Jabez, John Manoah, Ronald, Sheldon, Prem)

THURSDAY:

- Pray for the youth in our church who are looking for jobs that they may wait patiently for the Lord's time.
- Pray for the couples who are waiting to be blessed with children.
- Pray for the prayer cells and area fellowships that they would be meaningful and that we
 may all participate.
- Pray for Bethel Shaale for the children who attend and for Mr. Prabhu's family and Mr. Sangeeth who conduct the classes.
- Hoodi Area fellowship & its members (Frank Jeyakar, Ruth, families of Arun, David Anand, David Jabez, Dr. Kumara Rajasingh, Isaac Peterson, Leon Christian, Ranjan, Shibu, Vivek Bangera, Meryl Joseph, Franklin)
- Kodigehalli Tamil AF& its members: (Families of George & Ravi Kumar)

FRIDAY:

- Pray for the families of the victims of the mishap that took place in Himachal Pradesh.
- Pray for the increasing number of suicides in Bangalore, that the Christians around would be equipped with the Gospel to meet their needs.
- Pray for the Nigerian school girls who were abducted over a month ago.
- Marathahalli Area Fellowship & its members (Kasturi, Merlin, Margaret, Jebakumar Families of Dinakar, Frank Jeyakar, Frank Santhosh, Himanshu, Melwyn, Praveen Paul, Sathiya, Selvin, Solomon, Sundar, Vadivel, Vijay Dhanasekar, Wilfred)
- Bethel Nagar Tamil AF & its members (Dorai, Jonathan, Justin, Solomon Families of Pastor, Bernard, Das, Emmanuel Dass, Joseph, Huldah, Paul Durai, Rev. Stanley Jayaseelan, Vijay)

SATURDAY:

Mission: Manna group of Ministries (www.manna7.org)

The Manna Group of Ministries was founded in 1966 and has been reaching out to India and the world with the compassionate love of God! Manna is a multi-faceted ministry that reaches out to our communities with the love of God both spiritually and physically. They comprise of spiritual outreach through the churches as well as showing compassionate love to men and women in dire need through catastrophic relief, medical relief and village development programs.

In 1966, while working in the United States, both Ernest and Rachel, who were born and raised in India, began Manna International by supporting two pastors from their own income. This couple was called to full time ministry in 1971. So they resigned their jobs in the US and returned to India. Since 1966, this ministry has grown and has been helping many to rebuild their lives in Christ.

Vision

Their vision is based on two pillars of faith as taught by Jesus Christ: to love God and to love our fellow brother and sister regardless of gender, race, class and creed.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for the leadership and the founders that they may follow the Lord's plan.
- Pray for the various relief programs and healthcare programs that this ministry is a part
 of.
- Pray for the many churches that were started by this ministry that they would strengthen
 the people who attend.
- Pray for all the full time and part time workers of this ministry so that they would grow in the Lord.

Testimony

- Mrs Premalatha Saju

Psalm 91:14-16 says "Because he loves me, I will rescue him. I will protect him for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me and I will answer him. I will be with him in trouble. I will deliver him and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.

This is exactly what happened in my life. The only difference is that I started knowing Him, loving Him and acknowledging Him only after I was saved by Him.

Born in a traditional Hindu Brahmin family I took baptism not because I was led by anyone or I had any knowledge about Christianity but only because I married a Christian. God has given me a wonderful family who has always been supportive of me. I was very regular in attending Church on Sundays and reading the Bible everyday not knowing what to do beyond that. After 15 years of our married life, on the midnight of 24th Dec 2002, I suddenly woke up with a severe pain in my neck, arms and chest. Since it was midnight and all were having a good sleep I decided not to disturb my family. Christmas preparations were in full swing but I had to meet the doctor. On 25th Dec 2002 I was admitted to hospital, an emergency angiogram was done and I underwent angioplasty immediately. I would like to testify here that my mind was completely blank on that day from the time I was taken to the hospital and the procedure was done until my husband revealed to me about it. Even though I was admitted to a hospital known only for cardiac treatment I never knew that I had a heart problem and had survived a heart attack. By God's grace I got the best and timely treatment. This incident made me realize that there was some power working

on me. Moreover the first person to visit me in the hospital was a servant of God who was also a prayer warrior. I was really touched by their prayers. This was the starting point in my life to get to know God. Slowly the prayer warrior led me to pray and read the Bible more and more each day. It was a wonderful experience for me. As I started getting to know more about Jesus, our living God, all my prayers were being heard and answered. This was when I accepted Him as my Saviour. Even today when I sit back and think, I feel how strange everything was. I wonder why all this had to happen on 25th December. This day is very very special to me in my life.

Exactly two months after my cardiac problem, I was affected by Herpes which was also very painful. But by then I had already learnt to seek everything through prayer. I was completely healed in two days. Now my faith started to grow stronger. I also had to face a lot of challenges in my workplace. I confidently overcame every difficult situation only through prayer. Though years have passed by and many more miracles have taken place in my life, the above incident remains fresh in my memory. I always thank God for the jerk in my life which took me closer to Him. I strongly believe that God had chosen me before I was born.

Being members of RTMC we used to travel from Vijavanagar to attend church on Sundays. Right opposite the church is the Bank's quarters provided only for executives. We always wished to get an opportunity to stay there to avoid travelling every Sunday. God fulfilled our wishes by providing us a beautiful accommodation of our own in K R puram and also leading us to a beautiful church BMC which is just walkable distance from where we live. The power of God is really unbelievable. As we trust in our Lord Jesus Christ, He continues to do great and marvelous things in our lives which is beyond our imagination. God has helped my husband get all his promotions on time and come up in his career, helped our daughter to pass out from Karunya University and get a good job to her liking. Life is full of challenges, ups and downs. But with our Lord Jesus within us and our faith in Him, we can face anything and everything. We need to only humble ourselves before the Lord and He will lift us up. After I committed my life to Jesus, I have learnt to live life according to His will and to trust in Him for He will show us His ways and make us walk in His path and will never let us be put to shame.

I would like to conclude by quoting Rev 2:10 which says "Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. Be faithful, even to the point of death and I will give you the crown of life ".

Praise be to God. AMEN

(Premalatha and Saju and their daughter Ashlene worship in BMC and are a part of the Bethel Nagar area fellowship)

Spiritual Perspective of Good Governance

Anyone in a position of authority needs to realize he/she is established in that position by God Himself (Romans 13:1). The purpose of God putting a person in that position is to be (a) a servant of God and (b) to do good to the people being governed (Romans 13:4). As such a Government servant is a servant of God in the government!

To serve God and to do good one must know the Will of God and what is right and wrong. Right and wrong is very subjective for the people of the world but is very clear from God's perspective. King Solomon sought a discerning heart (Wisdom) from God to govern the people and to distinguish between right and wrong (1 Kings 3:9).

1. Wisdom from God

There are two kinds of wisdom: wisdom of man (James 3:13-16) and the wisdom of God (James 3:17). Ever since man sinned against God the entire human personality got corrupted (spirit, soul and body) which means man's wisdom got corrupted. When God chose Israel to be given HIS commandments it was only after they agreed to obey the commandments (Exodus 19:8). As they would obey the commandments it was God's plan that the Wisdom of God would be evident to the nations through such obedience (Deuteronomy 4:6). Later on when they disobeyed the scriptures God's question about His people was 'Since they have rejected the Word of God what kind of wisdom do they have? (Jeremiah 8:9). As such wisdom is manifested through application of scriptures in every situation (Prov. 9:10, Prov. 8:13). In today's context God's wisdom is Secret and it is Hidden (1 Cor. 2:7). Where is it hidden? In Christ is hidden the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Colossians 2:3).Because Christ has become for us wisdom from God (1 Corinthians 1:30). To be in Christ means to obey His teachings (1 John 3:24) For good governance a leader must obey the teachings of Christ.

A person in a position of governance needs advisers for effectiveness (Prov. 13:10, 13:20). These advisers need to be Godly advisers. King Uzziah sought God and was taught by Zechariah in the ways of God and the fear of God so he was successful as a King (2 Chronicles 26:5). The land was blessed in every way: Agriculture, infrastructure (2 Chronicles 26:10) and defense (2 Chronicles 26:11-15). In Christ, Wisdom is given to anyone who lacks it and asks God for it. (James 1:5). Through the Word of God (2 Timothy 3:15) and the manifestation of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:8) Wisdom of God is received.

2. Integrity

It is imperative that for good Governance a leader must be a man of Integrity and Honesty. King David led the people of Israel with Integrity of heart (Psalm 78:72). A man who walks in Integrity before God will long to see what God sees. God sees the heart and not the outward appearance(1 Samuel 16:7). Being a man after God's own heart (Acts 13:22) David asks God to examine his heart and reveal anything not right before Him (Psalm 139:23-24). God testifies about David that except in the case of Uriah David had obeyed God completely (1 Kings 15:5).

A servant of God needs to be a God-pleaser and not a people-pleaser (Galatians 1:10). God expects His people to be HOLY and BLAMELESS in His sight (Ephesians 1:4). One of the challenges to Integrity (justice) is bribery and corruption as a bribe corrupts justice (Prov 17:23). 'Do not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds those who see and twists the word of the righteous (Prov. 23:8). A regime of justice brings stability to a land but the corrupt tear down stability (Prov. 29:4). The reason people take bribes is that they think of it as means to get gain. How can a leader avoid the temptation to be corrupt? By the realization that GODLINESS with CONTENTMENT is GREAT GAIN. (1 Timothy 6:6).

3. Efficiency (Skills)

King David led Israel with skillful hands (Psalm 78:72). When God calls anyone for a task He will justify the calling by giving the resources to fulfill the task (Romans 8:30). A leader who governs people will be given the skills and efficiency by the Lord to do so. The anointing of the Holy Spirit will teach ALL THINGS. (1 John 2:27). Skills for work are given by the Holy Spirit: Bezalel (Exodus 31:3), King David (architecture for the temple) (1 Chronicles 28:12). All gifts of God are received and not earned. When a leader seeks God's grace for governance the motivation must be to Glorify God (Romans 15:17) and bless the people (2 Corinthians 13:10). When the motivation is right (James 4:3) there is no reason why the gracious hand of God will not be upon the leader for good governance.

4. Diligence (Hard work) in Governance:

King Hezekiah sought God and WORKED HARD so he prospered (2 Chronicles 31:21). While a person may be honest, has skills and receives wisdom, he/she also needs to work hard. The ability to work hard is given by the Lord by HIS GRACE. The apostle Paul received grace from God to work hard to receive more grace from God (1 Corinthians 15:10). The energy to work hard is from God again (Colossians 1:29).

5. Humility

Grace is given to those who are humble (Prov. 3:34) King Uzziah sought God and so he prospered (2 Chronicles 26:5). His fame spread far and wide. He was greatly helped till he became powerful. After he became powerful his pride led to his downfall (2 Chronicles 26:15-16).

The danger of success is the tendency to become proud. God warned Israel not to become proud after they would be settled in the land of Canaan (Deuteronomy 8:17:18). A leader can avoid becoming proud by constantly seeking God's wisdom as humility comes from wisdom (James 3:13). Moses who led Israel was a humble man, more humble than anybody else on the face of the earth (Numbers 12:3). Above all the above a leader needs to be a PERSON OF PRAYER who takes every decision in fellowship with God.

(This article is an excerpt from a message given by Bro Rajkumar Ramachandran in Mizoram Assembly. Reproduced here with permission from the speaker)

Knowing God

- Excerpts from the book 'The pursuit of God' by A W Tozer

"Thou hast formed us for thyself, and our hearts are restless till they find rest in Thee" – this saying by St. Augustine is probably the most famous among that of the early Church fathers. God formed us for His pleasure and so formed us that we as well as He can in divine communion enjoy the sweet and mysterious mingling of kindred personalities. But we have broken with God and ceased to obey and love Him and in guilt and fear have fled as far as possible from His Presence. Yet who can flee from His Presence when the highest heavens cannot contain Him?

The whole work of God in redemption is to undo the tragic effects of this separation and bring us back into a right relationship with Him. The journey of the soul from the wilderness of sin into the Presence of God is beautifully illustrated in the Old Testament tabernacle – from first stepping into the outer court all the way to the Holy of Holies where ransomed men need no longer pause in fear but enter boldly and live a life that is to be enjoyed every moment of every day. The daily and continuous knowledge of the Presence of God in our lives is the only cure for our religious ills. This would lift us out of our pitiful narrowness and cause our hearts to be enlarged. This would burn away the impurities from our lives as bugs are burned by fire.

What an expanse it is to know God and dwell in Him! He is **eternal** which means he antedates time and is wholly independent of it. He is **immutable**, which means He has never changed and can never change in any smallest measure. To change, He would need to go from better to worse or from worse to better. He cannot do either, for being perfect He cannot become more perfect and if He were to become less perfect, He would be less than God. He is **omniscient**, which means that He knows in one free and effortless act all matter and all events. He is **limitless** and nothing in our finite mind and world can compare to Him.

What can possibly prevent so many of us from rushing to God and living our life under His wings? There is inside of us a coldness, a veil in our hearts – the veil of the fleshly fallen nature, living unjudged and uncrucified within us – the veil of self and to name just a few: self-righteousness, self-pity, self-sufficiency, self-admiration, self-love and a host of such. The grosser manifestation of this sick preoccupation with self is evident among many Christians – egotism, exhibitionism, self-promotion, etc. Promoting self under the guise of promoting Christ is currently so common as to excite little notice.

Self is the opaque veil that hides the Face of God from us. We must honestly invite the cross to do its deadly work within us being fully aware of the cost. We must prepare ourselves for an ordeal of suffering in some measure like that through which our Saviour passed. It is never fun to die. To rip through the dear and tender stuff of which life is made can never be anything but deeply painful. Yet that is what the cross did to Jesus and it is what the cross would do to every man to set him free.

To what extent really is it possible for finite man to comprehend and truly know the infinite God? The terms used in the Bible to express the knowledge of God are often the same used to express knowledge of physical things. "O taste and see that the Lord is good." "All thy garments smell of myrrh and aloes." "My sheep hear my voice." "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." These are but four of countless such passages from the Word of God. What can all this mean except that we have in our hearts organs by means of which we can know God as certainly as we know material things through our familiar five senses? We apprehend the physical world by exercising the faculties given to us for that purpose and we possess spiritual faculties by means of which we can know God and the spiritual world if we will obey the Spirit's urge and begin to use them.

Imagination is not faith. *Imagination* projects unreal images out of the mind and seeks to attach reality to them. *Faith* creates nothing; it simply reckons upon that which is already there. God and the spiritual world are as real as the physical world around us. Our trouble is that we have established wrong thinking patterns. We know that the visible world is real and though we may not deny the existence of the spiritual world, we doubt that it is as real as the other. Our uncorrected thinking, influenced by the blindness of our natural hearts, tends to draw a contrast between the spiritual and the real but actually no such contrast exists. "He that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is the rewarder of them that diligently seek him." This is basic in the life of faith.

If we truly want to follow God, we must seek to be otherworldly. As we begin to focus upon God, the things of the Spirit will take shape before our inner eyes. Obedience to the word of Christ will bring an inward revelation of the Godhead (John 14:21-23). It will give acute perception enabling us to see God even as is promised to the pure in heart. A new God consciousness will seize us and we will begin to taste and hear and inwardly feel the God who is our life and our all and His Presence will be the glory and wonder of our lives.

Bible Studies - July 2014

			Date	Study Topic	Study leader	Venue / Dept.
		Marathahalli	12th July Sat 6:30 pm	Gospel of Matthew series	Wilfred	Selvin's house
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(c	ų s.v.o	ITPL (9980014729) Co.ord.:Jabez Yesudas	11th July Fri 7:45pm	Life Challenges – Group Discussion		John Manoah's house
22	lləì	Whitefield(9731944666)	12th July Sat 6:00 pm	Parenting from Bible	Irwin	Christopher Vasa's
258	eə.	co. ord.: Irwin				house
87	ie i	Bethel nagar (9632388 200)	12th July Sat 6:00 pm	How to take Bible studies	Rajkumar	Publius' house
76	lai);	Co ord: Publius	26th July Sat 6:00 pm	Hands on Bible study	Rajkumar	Dr. Rajkumar' house
-ui/	₿uʒ	K.R. Puram (9886799785)	12th July Sat 7:00 pm	To be decided	Pastor/Vivek	Sunder Raj' house
yəş		(Co ord: Jayanth)	26th July Sat 7:00 pm	To be decided	Pastor/Vivek	Jeevan's house
:р.		Hoodi(9845919468) Mrs.Joyce	26th July Sat 6:30 pm	A common topic for discussion	Shibu Joseph	Shibu' house
0 0		Devasandra Tamil AF	6th July Sun 6.00 pm	Prayer of Moses – Exo 32:9 - 14	Jothi Sugirtharaj	Shekar's house
اا د		(co ord.: Koilraj)	20th July Sun 6.00 pm	Prayer of Nehemiah – Neh 1:1 - 11	Jothi Sugirtharaj	Ruth's house
Overa	wship Koilta	Kodigehalli Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Sasikala)	6th July Sun 6.00 pm	Fulfillment of prophesies	Wilfred	Sasikala's house
) sc		Priyankanagar Tamil AF	6th July Sun 6.00 pm	Faith	Bernard	Inbaraj's house
liųs		(Co ord.: Rueban Gandhi)	20th July Sun 6.00 pm	Love	Bernard	Swamidoss' house
WO.		Bethel Nagar Tamil AF	6th July Sun 6.00 pm	Jesus walking on water – Matt 14:22 - 33	Solomon	BMC
ll əj		(Co ord: Vijay)	20th July Sun 6.00 pm	Casting out a demon – Matt 15: 21 - 28	Solomon	Rev.Jeyaseelan's house
eə		Hoodi Tamil AF	6th July Sun 6.00 pm	Study from Psalm - 1	Anban	Mary Rita's house
лA		(Co. ord.: Mary Rosaline)	20th July Sun 6.00 pm	Study from Psalm - 2	Anban	Mary Rita's house
	Kann	White field Kannada AF	4th July Fri 7.30pm	The power of prayer	Ashok Doddanna	Shalini's house
	ada	(Co. ord: Ashok Doddanna)	25th July Fri 7.30pm	The power of prayer	Ashok Doddanna	Mohan's house
	Telu-		5th July Sat 7:00 pm	The power of the Holy Spirit	Sahitya Deep	
	ng:	(co. ord.: Anana MK)		-		
	Hind	Hindi Area fellowship (co. ord.: Himanshu)	5th July Sat 7:00 pm	The serpent in the Garden – how to overcome the devil	Himanshu	Avinash's house
WS	WSCS (Tamil		13 th July Sun 8.45 am	Honor God with Head	Mrs. Jaya David	WSCS (Jaya David)

Bible Studies - July 2014

Date Study Topic
5th July Sat 5:30pm Lead by youth
12th July Sat 5:30pm Discipleship series
19 th July Sat 5:30pm
26 th July Sat 5:30pm Other religions (Combined session)
6th July Sun 8:20-9:20am How to maintain purity in youth
13th July Sun 8:20-9:20am Lead by youth
20 th July Sun 8:20-9:20am
26th July Sat 5:30pm Other religions (Combined session)
6 th July Sun 8:20-9:20am Overcoming Depression
13th July Sun 8:20-9:20am prayer – Series-1
20 th July Sun 8:20-9:20am Annual Camp
27 th July Sun 8:20-9:20am Teens Activities - 2

Prayer Meetings - July 2014

	Area	Date & Time	Place	Coordinator
Monthly fasting prayer	BMC monthly	Ath lune Eridey 7:30pm	JVVa	Dartor
	fasting prayer	4 Julie Filiday 7.30piii	BINIC	rastol
	Bethel Nagar	July 12 th Sat at 2:30 pm	BMC	Mrs. Kamila Prabhu
Ladies prayer meet	Hoodi	July 16 th Wed at 10 am	Mrs. Anina David's house	Mrs Anina David
(Co ord.: Anne Sangeeth)	ITPL	July 2nd & 23rd Wed at 10:30 am Mrs. Merjulah Jabez's house	Mrs. Merjulah Jabez's house	Mrs Angelin Anban
Dept: WSCS		July 9th & 30th Wedat 10:30 am Mrs. Jemima Franklin's house	Mrs. Jemima Franklin's house	
		July 16 th at 10:30 am	Mrs. Angelin Anban's house	
	White field	To be decided	To be decided	Mrs. Jachin Joel
	Marathahalli	Every Tuesday at 10 am	Mrs. Selvi Dinakaran's house	Mrs Hannah Selvin
		Every Friday at 10 am	Mrs. PreethiVijay's house	
	KR puram	Friday July 4 th at 5:30 pm	Mrs. Suprima Mohanty's house Mrs. Jenitta Atheejoe	Mrs. Jenitta Atheejoe
	WSCS(Tamil)	Friday July 18th at 11:00 am	BMC	Mrs.Sasikala

Whitefield Outreach - July 2014

Date	Message by	Leading help	Nenue
6st July Sun 5.00 - 6.00 pm Mr. Ashok Doddanna		Franklin, Atheejoe,	
13 th July Sun 5.00 - 6.00 pm Rev. David Livingstone	Rev. David Livingstone	Clement	Mr. Vasu and Mrs.
20th July Sun 5.00 - 6.00 pm Mr. D C Franklin	Mr. D C Franklin		Mala's house
27 nd July Sun 5.00 - 6.00 pm Mr. Jothi Sugirtharaj	Mr. Jothi Sugirtharaj		

Regular & Special Programs - July, August & September

- 9		Program	Date	In charge	Department
sw		Morning worship service(Tamil)	All Sundays 7.00am-8.45am	Pastor	Pastor
618		Morning worship service (English)	All Sundays 9.30am-11.15am	Pastor	Pastor
1010		Contemporary Worship Service	All Sundays 6:30pm-7:30 pm	Isaac Peterson	Pastor / Music dept
	ÞΙ	BMC Sunday School	All Sundays 8:15am-9:25 am	Giftlin Clement	Sunday School
	oz	Hoodi Kannada Sunday school	All Sundays at 2.00 pm	Gracy	Sunday school
	ΛĮr	Whitefield Kannada Sunday School	All Sundays at 4:00pm -5.00 pm	Giftlin Clement	Missions
	ır	PC Meeting	27 th Sun 11:30 am	Pastor	Pastor
	τ c Aμ	BMC annual sports day for youth	13th Jul Sun 12 noon	Franklin Koilpillai	MYF
su		BMC annual camp (English) at ECC, White field	18th Jul Fri 6 pm to 20th Jul Sun 4pm	Wilfred	Christian Education
161	b 1	Independence day flag hoisting at BMC	15th Aug Fri 7.30 am	Sathiya	Lay activities
80.	coz	BMC prayer day	15th Aug Fri 9.00 am	Solomon	Prayer dept
Ы	B n	Teaching session on Prayer	24 th Aug Sun 11.30am – 3.30pm	Solomon	CE dept
lsi	٨	Sunday School Sunday	31st Aug Sun (7 & 9.30am service)	Giftlin Clement	Sunday school dept
) ec		Training the trainer-Children's ministry	6th Sep Sat 8 am - 4 pm	Pastor	CE dept
İS		Christmas choir practice starts (Adult & kids)	6 th Sep Sat	Isaac & Sathiya	Music & Media dept
	T O	Quarterly quiz	20 th Sep Sat 6 pm	Rajkumar	CE dept
		Missions Sunday	28 th Sep Sun (7 & 9.30 am service)	Atheejoe	Missions dept

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Pulpit Calendar - July 2014



Theme: Abide in me and I will abide in you John 15:4

Date	Time	Speaker	Topic
6-Jul-14	7:00 am (Tamil)	Pastor	Affirm your faith
	9:30 am (English)	Rev Dr Mrs Shanthi Tilak	
	6:30 pm (English)	Pastor	
	7:00 am (Tamil)	Pastor	
13-Jul-14	9:30 am (English)	Mr Ugin Raj (SU)	Avail my love
	6:30 pm (English)	Mrs Selina Mohandas (IEM)	
	7:00 am (Tamil)	Pastor	
20-Jul-14	9:30 am (English)	Rev Dr Tilak Samuel	Ascribe to my great- ness
	6:30 pm (English)	Pastor	
	7:00 am (Tamil)	Pastor	
27-Jul-14	9:30 am (English)	Pastor	Arise in my Power
	6:30 pm (English)	Dr Vivek	

Quotations

- Let each of us learn to abide in Christ with the heart open to Him on the one hand, and open to men, women and children on the other. -F.B.Meyer
- The branch of the vine does not worry, and toil, and rush here to seek
 for sunshine, and there to find rain. No; it rests in union and communion with the vine; and at the right time, and in the right way, is the right
 fruit found on it. Let us so abide in the Lord Jesus. Hudson Taylor
- Do not lose yourself in your everyday work and activities. Rather, lose yourself in God. When you are doing work, let your innermost heart be centred on Him. Live in His presence and abide in Him. Then your work will follow you into eternity, and you will reap a rich harvest - Basilea Schlink

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