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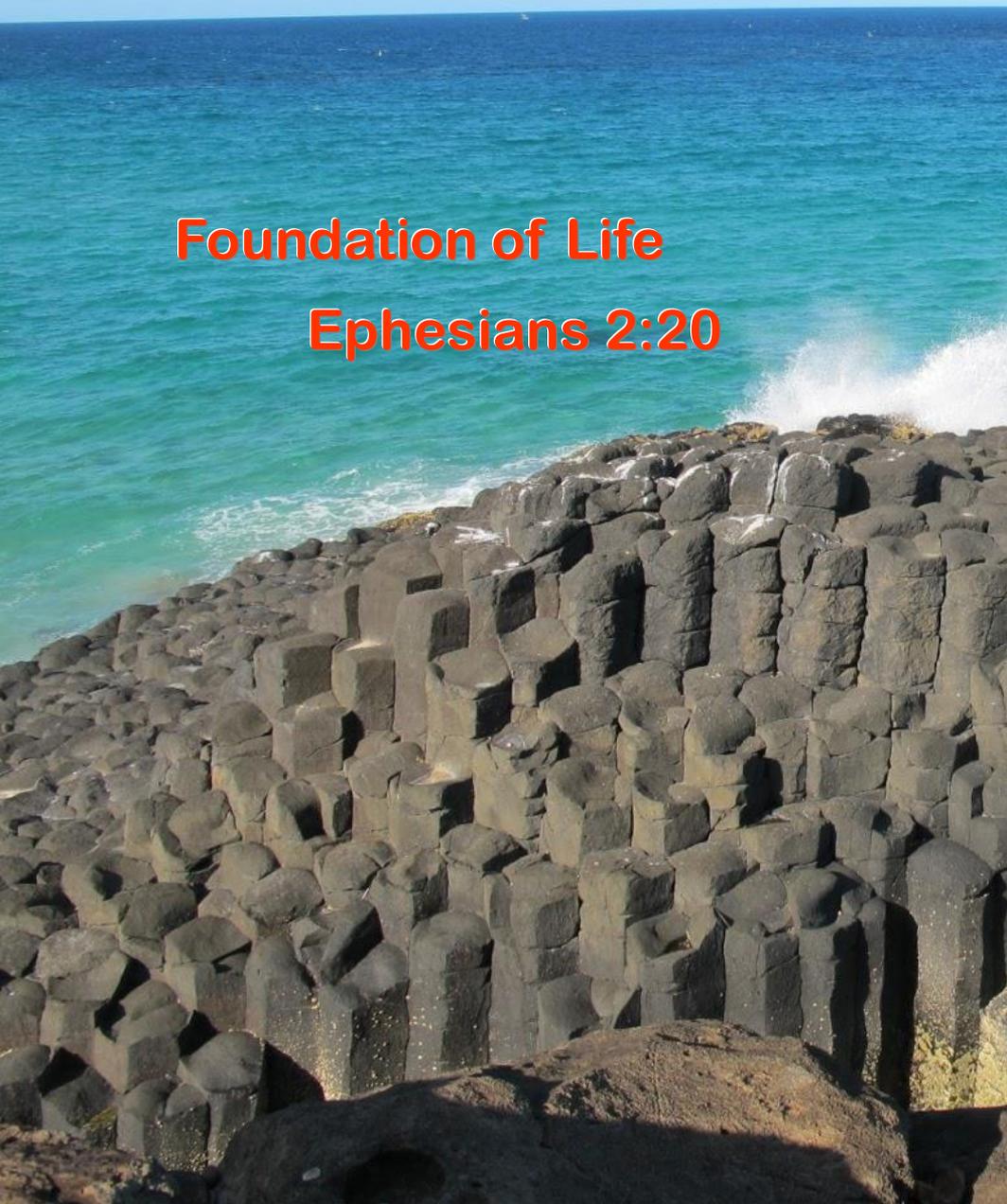
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Pastoral Letter



Dearly beloved,

Warm greetings to each one of you!

With the month of June opening and the schools reopening, it is a fresh start for us in the middle of the year. I am sure visiting your loved ones in native places and the holiday trips must have refreshed you. I thank God for the rich summer ministry we had in our Church. I praise God and appreciate our children who have scored good marks in the annual exams.

The South India Regional Conference session ended on May 3, 2015 has appointed me again to the Bethel Methodist Church for 2015-16 and I thank the Lord for the privilege to be here. We as Pastor's family thank our dear Bishop Dr. Taranath Sagar and Bishopamma Mrs. Padma Sagar for extending this privilege of serving this congregation yet another year. May the Lord bless our Church family as we continue to worship the Lord and grow in Him. We will remember to pray for the suffering country of Nepal which was terribly affected by the earth quake and plead for the Lord's protecting mercy upon the people who are living in quake prone areas.

The Lord has laid everything on lasting foundations and we have to depend upon him to stand on those foundations. This physical Universe, the world we live in, our

human life, family life and our spiritual lives – all have sure foundations. The purpose of living a human life is to become God’s children and stabilize our lives on his sure foundations. Those who search for solid foundations of life find it in God’s Word. When they fix their mind and souls into it their spirits begin to get divine shapes. St. Paul wrote,

“...having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone...” Ephesians 2:20

The Word of God is the foundation for our lives and Jesus our Lord is the Cornerstone. Those who find their life in Christ will improve in their relationship with God and with one another. With errors and corrections, the growth will be showing up in spiritual maturity, inter-personal relationship and meaningful sharing of the gospel of God. There will be periodical tests to self-examine if we are building on Christ or not. That which is built on Jesus the rock will stand and that which built on sand will fall.

To take root in Christ may not happen instantly but will call for repeated effort. Let us happily work on it with God’s Spirit being our helper. I read about a pair of ovenbirds that built their nest made up of mud and straw on a monument building in a city in Argentina. A crew of workmen removed the nest but the birds returned and built the nest. Again the men removed the nest but once again the birds rebuilt the nest. This time citizens insisted that the workmen let the nest stay. How persevering are we in our effort?

I congratulate all the members of the Pastorate Committee who are taking up the responsibilities in the current conference year 2015-16. I appreciate the sincere involvement of each one of them who did their part in the previous year. With the road-map plans that they are working on for the church life, I am sure the Lord will help us to grow in him deeply.

Grace be with you all!

Rev. T. David Livingston



போதகர் மடல்

கிறிஸ்துவுக்குள் பிரியமானவர்களே,

இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் நாமத்தில் அன்பின் வாழ்த்துக்கள்.

ஜூன் மாதமானது வருடத்தின் நடுவில் நமக்கு ஒரு புதிய ஆரம்பத்தை உருவாக்குகிறது. புதிய கல்வி ஆண்டும் ஆரம்பமாகிறது. கோடை கால விடுமுறையில் உறவினர்களை சந்தித்து, சுற்றுப்பயணங்கள் மேற்கொண்டு மறுமலர்ச்சி அடைந்திருப்பீர்கள் என நம்புகிறேன். இந்த கோடை நாட்களின் நமது ஆலயத்தில் நடைபெற்ற ஊழியங்களுக்காக நமது தேவனுக்கு நன்றி. தேர்வுகளில் சிறந்த மதிப்பெண்கள் பெற்ற நமது பிள்ளைகளை வாழ்த்துகிறேன்.

நான், பெத்தேல் மெத்தடிஸ்ட் ஆலயத்தில் வருகிற 2015 - 2016 ஆண்டில் ஊழியத்தை தொடர, கடந்த மே மூன்றாம் தேதி நிறைவு பெற்ற தென்னிந்திய பிராந்திய மாநாட்டில் நியமனம் செய்யப்பட்டுள்ளது. இதற்காக

நான் தேவனை துதிக்கிறேன். தொடர்ந்து இந்த ஆலயத்தில் ஊழியம் செய்ய வாய்ப்பளித்த நமது பேராயர் டாக்டர் தாரநாத் சாகர் மற்றும் பேராயர்மா திருமதி பத்மா சாகர் அவர்களுக்கும் குடும்பாக எங்கள் நன்றியை தெரிவிக்கிறோம். தேவன் தாமே நமது திருச்சபையை ஆசீர்வதித்து தொடர்ந்து அவரில் வளர உதவுவாராக. நிலநடுக்கத்தால் வெகுவாக பாதிக்கப்பட்டுள்ள நேப்பாள நாட்டிற்காக ஜெபிப்போம். நிலநடுக்க பகுதிகளில் வாழும் மக்கள் மீது தேவன் கருணை பாராட்ட நாம் வேண்டுவோம்.

ஆண்டவர் அனைத்தையும் நித்திய அஸ்திபாரத்தில் அமைத்திருக்கிறார். நாம் அவரை சார்ந்திருக்கும்போது, அந்த அஸ்திபாரத்தில் நிலைநிற்க முடியும். இந்த சராசரம், பூவுலகம், மனித வாழ்க்கை, நமது ஆவிக்குரிய வாழ்வு - இவை அனைத்திற்கும் அஸ்திபாரங்கள் உண்டு. கடவுளுடைய பிள்ளைகளாய் மாறி, அவருடைய அஸ்திபாரத்தின் மேல் நிலைத்திருப்பதே மனித வாழ்வின் நோக்கமாகும். வாழ்வில் திடமான அஸ்திபாரத்தை தேடுவோர், கடவுளுடைய வார்த்தையில் அதனை கண்டடைவர். அதில் அவர்களது மனமும் ஆன்மாவும் நிலைக்கும்போது, ஆவியும் உன்னதமடைகிறது. தூய பவுலடியார் எழுதும் போது “ நீங்கள்... அப்போஸ்தலர் தீர்க்கதரிசிகள் என்பவர்களுடைய அஸ்திபாரத்தின்மேல் கட்டப்பட்டவர்களுமாயிருக்கிறீர்கள். அதற்கு இயேசு கிறிஸ்து தாமே மூலைக்கல்லாயிருக்கிறார்” (எபேசியர் 2:20) என்கிறார்

தேவனுடைய வார்த்தையே நமது வாழ்விற்கு அஸ்திபாரம், இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவே அதற்கு மூலைக்கல். கிறிஸ்துவில் தங்கள் வாழ்வை கண்டடைபவர்கள், கடவுளோடும், பிறரோடும் உள்ள உறவில் முன்னேறுவர். அனுதின திருத்தங்களின் மூலம், வளர்ச்சியானது, ஆவிக்குரிய முதிர்ச்சியிலும், தனி நபர் உறவிலும், சவிசேஷம் பறைசாற்றுதலிலும் வெளிப்படும். கிறிஸ்துவின் மேல் வளர்கிறோமா என்பது சோதித்து அறியப்படும். கற்பாறையாகிய கிறிஸ்துவின் மேல் கட்டப்பட்டது நிலைநிற்கும், மணலின் மேல் கட்டப்பட்டதோ விழுந்து போகும்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் வேரூன்றி வளர்வது, தொடர் முயற்சியால் வருவது. ஆவியானவரின் துணையோடு நாம் தொடர்ந்து முயல வேண்டும். சிட்டுக் குருவி பறவைகள், ஒருமுறை ஒரு அழகிய கட்டிட நினைவுச்சின்னத்தில் களிமண்ணாலும் வைக்கோலாலும் கூடு கட்டின. அந்த கட்டிடத்தை பராமரித்தவர்கள் அதனைக் அகற்றிய போதும், அவை மறுபடியும் கூடு கட்டின. மறுபடியும் அதனை அகற்றிய போது, மீண்டும் அவ்விடத்தில் தானே கூடு கட்டின. இம்முறை, அப்பகுதி மக்கள், அந்த கூட்டை அகற்ற வேண்டாம் என்றனர். நமது விடாமுயற்சி, இதற்கு ஈடாகுமா?

இந்த ஆண்டு நமது சேகர குழுவில் பொறுப்பேற்றுள்ள அனைவரையும் வாழ்த்துகிறேன். கடந்த ஆண்டு பொறுப்பேற்று உழைத்த அனைவரும் நன்றி தெரிவிக்கிறேன். ஆலய வளர்ச்சிக்காக உழைத்து அவரில் தொடர்ந்து வளர்வோமாக.

தேவ கிருபை உங்களுடன் தரித்திருப்பதாக.

போதகர் டேவிட் லிவிங்ஸ்டன்

லில்லியன் ட்ரேசர் [Lillian Trasher – 1887 - 1961]

பிறப்பும் இளமையும்:

லில்லியன், 1887 ஆம் ஆண்டு செப்டம்பர் மாதம் 27 ஆம் தேதி ஜேக்சன்வில்லில் பிறந்தார். அவரது குடும்பம் கத்தோலிக்க மார்க்கத்தை பின்பற்றியது. 17 ஆம் வயதில் கிறிஸ்துவுக்குத் தன்னை அர்ப்பணித்ததோடு, பரிசுத்த ஆவியின் நிரப்புதலையும் பெற்றார். அதன் பின், அவர் விசுவாச அநாதை இல்லம் என்ற இடத்தில் தனது ஊழியத்தை தொடங்கினார். அங்கு சமையல் செய்தல், குழந்தைகளைப் பராமரித்தல், ஒரு பெரிய விடுதியை நிர்வகித்தல், விசுவாச வாழ்க்கைப்பயணம் ஆகியவற்றைக் கற்றுக் கொண்டார். அதோடு அந்த பகுதியில் முழுவதும் பயணம் செய்து சிவிசேஷ ஊழியத்தையும் செய்துவந்தார்.

மிஷனரி அழைப்பு:

லில்லியனுடைய குடும்பத்தினர் அவர் எகிப்துக்கு செல்வதை விரும்பவில்லை. அவர் எகிப்துக்குப் போக உறுதியாய் இருப்பதை அவருடைய சகோதரி ஜெனி கண்டு, தானும் தன் சகோதரியோடு செல்ல விரும்பினார். கப்பலில் செல்லும் போது சிலர் லில்லியனைப் பார்த்து “உன் வேதத்திலிருந்து ஒரு வசனைத்தை வாசி என்றனர். அவர் “எகிப்திலிருக்கிற என் ஜனத்தின் உபத்திரவத்தை நான் பார்க்கவே பார்த்து, அவர்கள் பெருமூச்சைக் கேட்டு அவர்களை விடுவிக்கும்படி இறங்கினேன்; ஆகையால் நீ வா, நான் உன்னை எகிப்திற்கு அனுப்புவேன் (அப் 7:34) என்ற வசனைத்தை வாசித்தார். அதுவே, தேவன் தன்னுடைய ஊழியத்திற்கு கொடுத்த ஒரு சரியான அழைப்பு என்றும் கருதினார்.



எகிப்தில் ஊழியம்:

லில்லியன் எகிப்திற்குச் சென்ற சில மாதங்களுக்குப் பிறகு அவர் தங்கியிருந்த வீட்டுக்குப் பக்கத்தில் ஒரு பெண் மரித்துப்போனாள். அவர்கள் வீட்டில் பால் குடிக்கும் குழந்தை ஒன்று இருந்தது. அதனை அவர்கள் நைல் நதியில் போட தீர்மானிக்கின்றனர் என்பதை அறிந்து அந்த குழந்தையை தன்னுடைய மிஷன் வீட்டிற்குக் கொண்டு வந்து, அதற்கு பாரீடா என்று பெயரிட்டு அதனை பராமரிக்கலானார். அந்த குழந்தையின் அழகை மற்ற மிஷனரிகளை தொந்தரவு படுத்தியதால் மிஷன் வீட்டிலிருந்து வெளியேறி, ஒரு வீட்டை வாடகைக்கு எடுத்து அதில் குழந்தைகளைப் பராமரித்தார்.

லில்லியனுக்கு எந்தவித பொருளாதார உதவியும் எந்த மிஷனரி ஸ்தாபனத்திலிருந்தும் வரவில்லை. அவர், அப்பகுதி மக்கள் மற்றும் சுற்றுலா வருவோர் இவர்களுடைய ஊழியத்தைக் குறித்து கேள்விப்படும். அமெரிக்காவில் உள்ள தனி நபர் சிலர் கொடுக்கும் காணிக்கையைச்

சார்ந்திருந்தார். அநாதை இல்லத்தில் குழந்தைகளின் எண்ணிக்கை ஐம்பது ஆன போது அவர் ஒரு விடுதியை கட்ட முனைந்தார். அதற்கென, அந்தப் பகுதியில் உள்ள ஒரு வசதியான குடும்பத்தினர் தங்கள் நிலத்தை குறைவான விலையில் அவருக்கு விற்றனர்.

முதல் உலகப்போர் பற்றிய செய்தி எகிப்திலிருந்த ஜனங்களுக்கு ஒரு பீதியை ஏற்படுத்திக் கொண்டிருந்தது. அதனால் அநேக மிஷனரிகள் தங்கள் பணித்தளங்களை விட்டுச் சென்றனர். ஆனால் வில்லியன் தன்னுடைய குழந்தைகளோடு அங்கேயே இருந்தார். 1919 ஆம் ஆண்டு அமெரிக்கா சென்று தான் நடத்தி வரும் அநாதை இல்லத்திற்கு தேவையான பொருளாதார தேவைகளை சந்திக்குமாறு சேவை மனப்பான்மை உள்ளவர்களிடம் கூறினார். அதன் மூலம் தனது விடுதியை 1926 ஆம் ஆண்டு ஒரு அறக்கட்டளையாகப் பதிவு செய்தார். பல வருடங்களுக்குப் பிறகு அவர் தான் செய்து வந்த ஊழியத்தின் பலனைக் காண முடிந்தது. இல்லத்தில் தங்கியிருக்கும் குழந்தைகள் தாங்களாகவே ஜெபத்திலும் ஆராதனை செய்வதிலும் தரித்து இருந்தனர். இதுவே தன் வாழ்க்கையில் கண்ட மாபெரும் எழுப்புதல் என்று கருதினார் வில்லியன்.

வில்லியன் குழந்தைகளுக்கு கல்வி அறிவைக் கொடுத்ததுமன்றி, ஆண் பிள்ளைகளுக்கு தச்சு தொழிலையும், பெண் பிள்ளைகளுக்கு சமையல் மற்றும் தையல் கலையையும் கற்றுக் கொடுத்தார். வில்லியன் இரண்டாம் உலகப் போரின் போதும் தனது காப்பகத்தை விட்டுவிடாமல், எகிப்திலேயே இருந்தார்.

இறுதி நாட்கள்

வில்லியனின் முழு வாழ்க்கையும் தேவன் மேலுள்ள விசுவாசத்தையே சார்ந்திருந்தது. 1961 ஆம் ஆண்டு அவர் மரணமடைந்தார். அவர் மரிக்கும் போது அந்த காப்பகத்தில் 1200 குழந்தைகள் இருந்தனர். தற்போது அந்த நிறுவனம் எகிப்தில் உள்ள அசெம்ளி ஆப் காட் (Assembly of God) பொறுப்பில் செயல்பட்டு வருகிறது. வில்லியனின் உடல் அநாதை காப்பக கல்லறைத் தேட்டத்தில் அடக்கம் செய்யப்பட்டது

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

Wishes from congregation to all who celebrate Birthday and Wedding Anniversary this month. May God Bless you!

Newbies

- Mr Nirmal and Mrs Christy are blessed with a boy baby on 27-Mar-15
- Mr Athejoe and Mrs Jenitta are blessed with a boy baby on 14-May-15

Congratulations to the proud parents!

MISSIONARY PROFILE

- Mrs Anne Sangeeth

Robert Jermain Thomas – Missionary to Korea

Robert Jermain Thomas was born in South Wales (UK) in 1839. His dad was a minister in Hanover Church from 1848-1884. At 15, Thomas was made a member of the church and soon began to preach. On June 4th 1863, he was ordained at Hanover Church to be a missionary with the London Missionary Society. By this time, Thomas had mastered nearly all the European languages and had studied medicine for 18 months and spent five years at the London University. Four weeks later Thomas and his young bride Caroline embarked for China and during the first week of December they arrived at Shanghai.



Tragically, within five months of their arrival in Shanghai, Caroline died from a miscarriage. She was even bereft of her husband's presence during her illness. He had had no cause to believe that she was in any danger before he left. He did know that Caroline was pregnant and for this reason he was in Hankow seeking better accommodation for the summer months.

While serving as a Welsh missionary to China, Robert Thomas developed a strong desire to work among the people of Korea. At that time, Korea was closed to foreigners because of the government's fear of foreign influence. Many Koreans had been converted by Catholic priests in the late 1700s, but the fearful government slaughtered 8,000 of those converts in 1866.

Robert J. Thomas was haunted by the thought of Korea. A Welsh missionary to China, he knew that the people of the "Hermit Kingdom" needed the gospel. But Korea, observing how westerners had mistreated China, closed its doors to foreigners. Burning with evangelistic zeal, Robert felt he must do something about the people's ignorance of eternal life. Thomas made his first visit to the Korean coast in 1865, making him the second known Protestant missionary to Korea. Thomas learned as much as he could about the people and their language during his two and a half months there, distributing tracts and New Testaments in Chinese because they were not available in the Korean language.

In 1866, Robert learned that an American boat, the General Sherman, was going to try to establish trade relations between Korea and the United States.

He offered to accompany the boat as an interpreter in exchange for a chance to spread the gospel. That August, the General Sherman sailed up the Taedong River toward Pyongyang. Robert tossed gospel tracts onto the river bank as the ship proceeded. Korean officials ordered the American boat to leave at once. The Americans defied the warning. The Governor of the province attacked the ship. When the Koreans tried to board, waving machetes, the Americans opened fire. Over the next two weeks, the Americans held the Koreans off, killing twenty and wounding many more. By September 3, the Koreans were fed up. They launched a burning boat down river at the General Sherman to set it afire. Now the Americans had to dash ashore or burn to death.

As the sailors fled from the boat, the Koreans killed them. Robert had to flee with the rest. True to his mission, he leaped from the boat carrying a Bible. "Jesus, Jesus!" he cried in Korean to the attackers, offering them the Bible. His head was whacked off with a stroke of a machete according to one account, but others think he pleaded for his life and was beaten to death. We may never know the truth, nor if Robert tried to prevent the Sherman's foolish defiance of a sovereign power and its butchery of civilians. Seemingly Robert's efforts had been in vain. But God worked in the heart of the man who killed Robert. Convinced by Robert's beaming face that he had killed a good man, he kept one of the Bibles, wallpapering his house with it. People came from far and near to read its words. A church grew. A nephew of Robert's killer became a pastor.

According to Sungho Choi, lecturer at the Wales Evangelical School of Theology, Korean Christians may not know that Wales is a country with its own language and history, but they do know that Wales is the place from where Thomas came to them. The work of this Welshman was seemingly reduced to nothing. What was God doing? Some of his colleagues considered his final missionary journey a failure and an embarrassment, but having hindsight on our side, many, both Welsh and Korean believers, are thankful for those like Thomas who suffered to bring the gospel to those who had not heard.

Over the decades, Thomas became legendary in Korea; considered an enemy in the North and the first martyred Protestant missionary in the South. In Wales he is relatively unknown, except for a few places. One of them is a small chapel in Hanover: Hanover Chapel. Here, hundreds of Koreans visit to give thanks to God for sending one man, Robert Jermain Thomas, to Korea. His life was extinguished at the age of twenty-seven, but even today, his memory still lives in the hearts of the Korean people.

PRINCIPLES OF CONDUCT

One of the foundational elements of testimonial life or Christian witnessing is about the way we conduct ourselves in real life situations abiding by the Will of God. There are certain characteristics that are true of all Christians in all places and in every age. But the question that generally arises in a Christian's mind is this: What is the will of God in this particular, unique situation in which I find myself? How do I discover the will of God when I am faced with a possibly bewildering array of choices?

We find Paul discussing this theme in his First Letter to the Corinthians. They had begun to divorce the spiritual from the ethical. They were largely taken up with spiritual gifts and experiences and had ignored the fact that the gospel has the cutting edge to it. In Corinth, there had been a severing of spiritual liberty from moral responsibility. It is in this context, Paul gave them certain principles by which to regulate their conduct. He explained how they could discover what was really consistent with the will of God for their lives in every situation. A careful study of Paul's writing gives rise to a series of questions that help to unfold God's guidance.

1) Is it Lawful?

In I Corinthians 6: 9-11, Paul delineates the purpose of our freedom in Christ - It is for Holiness. Despite they were sinners in the past, they had been washed, sanctified and justified through Christ. Hence they had to be radically converted in order to be fitted for the kingdom of God. His point is simple: No action which is contrary to the plain word of God can ever be legitimate for the Christian. No appeal to spiritual freedom or to providential circumstances can ever make what is ethically wrong anything else but sinful. We must be reminded constantly that we have been saved in order to be made holy.

2) Is it Beneficial to me?

While the first question is about the action itself, the second one is about consequence of the action. Though he says "All things are permissible" (Romans 14:14), he also emphasizes that "Not everything is beneficial" (I Cor 6:12). The question that I must learn to ask is: Will it bring benefits so that my relationship with Jesus is strengthened? Will it draw me nearer to him? When I am faced with a choice of occupation, or a sphere of work, or a move to another part of the country, with all that involves in terms of fellowship, ministry and spiritual influence, I am obliged to ask this question.

3) Is it Enslaving?

'Everything is permissible to me - but I will not be mastered by anything

(1 Cor 6:12) . A Christian must always, through the grace of the Spirit, be master of himself. Comparing to the attributes of an athlete in Chapter 9, it is evident that, a moment comes in race when he ceases to be the master of his appetite. Similarly, It is possible to make choices which eventually will tend to squeeze out our spiritual energies; to commit ourselves to things which are legitimate in general terms, but will eventually become the dominating and driving force in our lives. Eg. There is no built in evil about owning a new car or living in a pleasant house. But when we cannot be content with out them; when we simply *must* have them - they are no longer our liberties but our chains.

4) Is it consistent with Christ’s Lordship?

Whenever a Christian engages in a course of action, he does so in union with Christ. Nothing severs that relationship. Whenever the Corinthians gave themselves to gross and indecent sin, they were dragging Christ into it. So the real question is: Can I take Christ there and look him in the face without shame? Is this course of action, this decision I am taking totally consistent with my personal confession that Jesus Christ is my Lord?

5) Is it helpful to others?

I must not rest content with my personal benefit but extend it to the benefit of others. Do I engage in it with a view to serving or helping them? Or am I in the danger of ‘destroying the work of God?’ (Romans 14:20) . Jesus summarized his commitment in the great prayer to the Father “I am sanctifying myself for others sake” (John 17:19). We are often concerned with guidance in order that our lives may be freed from anxiety and uncertainty - so that we may have a personal comfort and security. God on the other hand is concerned that we should be cast upon him to do his will, whatever the enduring cost.

6) Is it consistent with Biblical Example?

Paul summarizes this thoughts and concludes this way: ‘Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ’ (1 Cor 11:1) What would Paul have done? What would Christ himself have done? Are there incidents or is there teaching in Scripture, which can be applied to the situation in which I find myself? Apostle Peter also speaks in similar vein in 1 Peter 2:21 - ‘He left us an example that we should follow his footsteps.’ Christ teaches us to live by faith by walking his life before us and then saying “ Now put your feet into these footprints of mine, and you will soon learn’

The ultimate challenge is that whatever we do, it is to bring glory to the Lord. Amen

(Excerpt from the book - “Discovering God’s will” by Sinclair B Ferguson)

Prayer Diary

Compiled by Mrs. Anne F Sangeeth

SUNDAY:

MEXICO: Key Facts

Mexico is officially called the United Mexican States and is a federal republic in North America. Mexico has one of the world's largest economies; it is the tenth largest oil producer in the world, the largest silver producer in the world and is considered both a regional power and middle power. According to a study, 15% of Mexicans report having been a victim of crime in the past year. In 2010 Mexico's homicide rate was 18 per 100,000 inhabitants; the world average is 6.9 per 100,000 inhabitants. Drug-trafficking and narcotics-related activities are a major concern in Mexico. The Mexican government's National Geography and Statistics Institute estimated that there were 41,563 crimes per 100,000 residents in 2012. The 2010 census by the National Institute of Statistics and Geography gave Roman Catholicism as the main religion with 83% of the population, while 10% belong to other Christian denominations, 4.7% declared having no religion; and others unspecified. In 2004, the literacy rate was at 97% for youth under the age of 14 and 91% for people over 15, placing Mexico at the 24th place in the world rank according to UNESCO.

Capital: Mexico City, Recognised Language: Spanish, Currency: Mexican Peso, Demonym: Mexican
Government: Federal Presidential Constitutional Republic, President: Enrique Pena Nieto

1. Pray that the entire nation of Mexico would know Christ.
2. Pray for the missionaries and their families who are working in Mexico to bring the nation to the LORD.
3. Pray for the few Christians in Mexico that they may stand firm for the LORD and set an example for the others around.
4. Pray that there would be a decrease in the rate of homicide and the use of drugs and people would be released from the bondage of sin.

MONDAY:

- Thank the LORD for the Leadership program that happened in May 2015.
- Pray for the Sunday school that is going to reopen in June.
- Pray that our kids would do well in the new academic year at school and Sunday school.
- **KR Puram Area Fellowship & its members** (Dennis, families of Ashok Doddanna, Atheejobe, Jayant, Jeevan, Jothi, Naveen Warren, & Dev Sundar Raj)
- **Hoodi Tamil Area Fellowship & its members** (families of Andrew Isaac, Arul, Churchill, Gladston, Jyothi, Mary Rita, Sarah Sarojini, Usha Reddy & Vasu)

TUESDAY:

- Pray for the new pastorate committee that is taking over the responsibilities from this month.
- Pray for the missionaries of Teens & Youth ministry and their families that they may glorify the LORD through the ministry.
- Pray for our Pastor Rev. David Livingston, his family and the ministries he is a part of.
- **Bethel Nagar Area Fellowship & its members** (families of Pastor, Anand, Benjamin, Dr. Arun, Jays, John Prashanth, Kalyan, Miss Simon, 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)
- **Marathahalli Tamil Area Fellowship & its members** (Dennis families of DC Franklin, Rani Jeypaul, Prabu, Bernard, Vasanth, Paul Dinakaran)

WEDNESDAY:

- Pray for the family camp that is scheduled to happen in July 2015.
- Pray for the outreach fields Irula, Hoodi Sunday School, Devasandra Sunday School, Whitefield and Sadharmangla.

- Pray for the kids who are starting schools for the first time from this year.
- Pray for the family of Mr. Benjamin that has moved to the US that they may glorify the LORD in the new place.
- **Whitefield Area Fellowship & its members** (Jebakumar, Jeffry Samuel 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, Rueben Gandhi, Swamidas & Suresh)
- **ITPL Area Fellowship & its members** (Jeffin, Shanno Isaac, families of Anban, Clement, Darwin, Dr. Kumara Rajasingh, Franklin Koilpillai, Jabez, John Manoh, Ronald & Prem)

THURSDAY:

- Thank the LORD for the newborn babies of our church.
- Thank the LORD for providing jobs to some of the youth in our church.
- Pray for the families of the victims who lost their lives due to storms in Mexico.
- **Hoodi Area fellowship & its members** (Ruth families of Arun, Arul Rajasingh, David Anand, David Jabez, Isaac Peterson, Joel Thompson, Shibu, Vivek Bangera, Meryl Joseph & Tony)
- **Kodigehalli Tamil AF& its members:** (Families of George & Ravi Kumar)

FRIDAY:

- Pray for the people in Nepal, the victims and the families of the victims who are suffering due to the earthquake.
- Pray for the North East students who attend our church. Also pray for their families back at their homes.
- Pray for respite from heat in Andhra where people are dying due to the heat wave this year.
- **Marathahalli Area Fellowship & its members** (Kasturi, Merlin, Praveen families of Dinakar, Frank Jeyakar, Himanshu, Dilip, Melwyn, Praveen Paul, Sathiya, Selvin, Solomon, Sundar, Vadivel, Vijay Dhanasekar & Wilfred)
- **Bethel Nagar Tamil AF & its members** (Dorai, Jonathan, Justin, Solomon, Peter families of Pastor, Bernard, Das, Joseph, Huldah, Latha, Rev. Stanley Jayaseelan, Vinod & Vijay)

SATURDAY:

Mission: Reasonable Faith (www.reasonablefaith.org)

Mission: Reasonable Faith aims to provide in the public arena an intelligent, articulate, and uncompromising yet gracious Christian perspective on the most important issues concerning the truth of the Christian faith today, such as the existence of God, the meaning of life, the objectivity of truth, the foundation of moral values, the creation of the universe, intelligent design, the reliability of the Gospels, the uniqueness of Jesus, the historicity of the resurrection and the challenge of religions.

Reasonable Faith features the work of philosophy and theology. Many people across the globe are being benefitted by the books, audio and videos published by Reasonable Faith.

Prayer Points

- Pray for the Christian philosophers and theologians who are a part of this ministry.
- Pray that they would get wisdom to defend the Christian faith and to present the Gospel in the public arena.
- Pray for the work of literature and academic programs to train and equip Christian apologists.
- Pray that this ministry would be a blessing to those who are hostile that they may come to know the true God.
- Pray for the financial needs of this ministry.

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Irula VBS 2015 Report

- Ms Sandhya

When people think that it is impossible, God can make it possible. This is what the Lord is doing at the outreach ministry in Irula. We praise and thank God for another year of VBS at Irula where about 140 children attended and were blessed with the word of God. The theme for this year was "Growing in Jesus". The children were taught the importance of Growing in the Lord by reading the word, talking to the Lord, going to Church and being a witness. The children enjoyed the new songs. Lessons were made interesting by activities like coloring.

Over the years, we have seen a lot of changes in the lives of these children. We continue to celebrate God's faithfulness in this mission. The last day programme was a part of the Sunday service where all their church members were present, which ended with the fellowship lunch.

The children performed all that they had learnt, like memory verses, choreo, songs and skits. It was a wonderful experience to all who attended. Continue to pray that these children will grow in the Lord and be a great source of blessing in the time to come.

(Ms Sandhya is the daughter of Mrs Sharon Whittakar; She is studying 2 PUC and is a part of Teens Fellowship. She actively leads and supports in many outreach Sunday Schools and VBS Ministries in BMC)

OT Survey Camp 2015 - Feedback

- Mrs Uma Johnson

We were privileged to attend the Old Testament survey with the church on 9th and 10th May 2015. Nearly 35 people attended and it was held in Claret Nivas. Dr J Godwin Nickelson was the resource person.

It was a good experience in learning the Old Testament in context and with the content. We all were given one learning text book called the 'Old Testament made easy' authored by Dr Godwin himself. The summary of the Old Testament books especially was easy and helpful in understanding the context and content. The demonstrations were very useful in remembering the events. The memory aids were useful to write on our heart disk. It made us ponder on God's love and rest in the knowledge that God has control over all his creation. He is Sovereign and He is God of all nations. In this survey, we learned through the prophets that God made his plans known to his people.

We learnt about the Lord, His personality and what to do when we are in difficult situations. It helped us link prophets and Kings under various time frames. The God of the OT is also the God of love. Obedience is much more important and going back to God is much more important than attempting to change the circumstances.

We got a deeper understanding of the Bible. It was a unique way of learning the Old Testament. If we understand God's love, we can be more passionate. Four specific elements can be seen in each of the six cycles in the book of Judges; sin, punishment, crying (prayer) and deliverance. This helped us memorize 8 stages of Israel's history which sum up the entire OT: Creation stage, Patriarchal stage, Exodus stage, Conquest stage, Judges stage, Kingdom stage, Captivity/Exile stage and Return stage.

Overall it was good. It really helped us. The clarity and timing were good. We also learnt that wilderness is wandering but restitution is possible. Though this was brief there were lots of insights. NT also will be good if it is done in this way. It was meaningful and the arrangements were good. It helped us be passionate about reading the Old Testament and understanding the bigger plan of God. We would like to thank the organizers for taking care of all the arrangements to make it happen. We especially would like to thank Ms. Gracy for taking care of the children.

(Mrs Uma Johnson worships in BMC and is part of KR puram Area Fellowship)

A small testimony on what God continues to teach through His word and His children

- Mr. Dilip

Christian lives call for a standard way above what any human law has ever required. These may not be rules written in stone, some of which God has specially asked only some of His children to do. Certainly there are many I am not yet able/called to follow but have nevertheless inspired me.

During my childhood and teen years, I saw, learnt many written and unwritten rules, principles, values, from Christian families, which are Biblically based like

- (i) Not keeping images of Christ, even a photo in any place (Exodus 20:4)
- (ii) Not smoking (1 Corinthians 10:31)
- (iii) Not drinking (Proverbs 20:1)
- (iv) Not having tattoos, bad body piercings (Leviticus 19:28) – not sure why for girl children piercing for earrings is still an exemption
- (v) Not spending excessive time in non-value add things or potentially things that could influence one in the wrong way (Matthew 5:29)
- (vi) Not wearing revealing, seductive, attention grabbing clothing (1 Peter 3:3)
- (vii) Not having hair or wearing dress like the other gender (1 Corinthians 11:14,15; Deuteronomy 22:5)
- (viii) Not using bad words or indulging in unwholesome talk (Ephesians 4:29)
- (ix) Regular to Church (Hebrews 10:25), in tithing (Proverbs 3:9), immersion Baptism (Matthew 3:15), supporting missionaries (Romans 10:15)
- (x) Obeying the law of the land (Romans 13:1)
- (xi) Maintaining utmost purity even before marriage (Luke 1:27)
- (xii) Giving alms, clothing, food to the poor (Isaiah 58:7)
- (xiii) Looking after aged parents personally at home (John 19:27) (xiv) Opening home to many, especially to God's children (2 Kings 4:10) and for God's work (Philemon 1:2).

In recent years, God has showed me some more Biblical principles which few of His children follow to obey and glorify Him on earth. These include,

- (a). A new Hindu convert who refused his PG medical seat because he got it through a reserved quota which was not available once he became a Christian (Daniel 1:8) and Christians who probably never get a Government seat or job through reservation

(b). Christians refusing LPG subsidy (2 Thessalonians 3:10), long before our current Prime Minister has made a way, encouraged people and lakhs of non-Christians have given it up

(c). A family neither going to court to get the property which was given to the other sibling nor holding a grudge against their parents (Luke 12:13-15)

(d). In UK, a person who wrote to the Govt. saying she did not require the child benefit money which is forcefully transferred to a parent's account as bringing up her children was her own responsibility (1 Timothy 5:8)

(e). A family playing a leading role in a mission organization not purchasing medical and accident insurance believing in I Corinthians 10:13, but at the same time diligently saving for such possible event (Proverbs 6:6-8)

(f). Many Christians, though not from financially strong backgrounds, building a Church in a place where there is none, before building a home for themselves (Haggai 1:4)

(g). Families not letting out their house to people who may place idols, offer prayers to others or may not use it as God wants it to be (Deuteronomy 6:9).

(h). A gentleman who did not take up more lucrative job offers, in a more convenient place, just because he had committed, though not legally binding, in another place (Galatians 3:15)

(i). A mainline Church in the UK where the offertory bag is never passed around but kept in a place where people can place voluntarily (Mark 12:41), that too only before the service starts and not at a time which encourages late coming

(j). Some families, though having children of their own, going beyond James 1:27, adopting orphans and raising them in their home as their own children

(k). Children of God working full time at the same time running a Church and even a Missionary Organization (2 Thessalonians 3:8)

(l). People who believe that whatever the reason, even in so-called public or national interest, the land, property of an individual should never be forcefully taken (Deuteronomy 27:17)

(m). A couple abroad not opting for a nice, convenient school nearby but one relatively far away so that their child does not learn things like praying to Mary (Proverbs 22:6)

(n). A man of God who decided that the only inheritance (Proverbs 13:22) he would leave for his children was spiritual and not anything material.

I praise God for what He has taught and continues to teach me through the living examples of His children and pray that He will give me the strength in spirit and flesh (Matthew 26:41) to follow the way He shows.

Bible Studies - June 2015

Area fellowships (Overall co ord: Selvin- 944852570)		Date	Study Topic	Study leader	Venue
English area fellowship	Marthahalli (9448852570) (Co. ord.: Selvin)	13th Jun Sat 7.00 pm	Acts Over view-1	Selvin	Vijay's house
	Whitefield(9731944666) co. ord.: Christopher Vasa	27th Jun Sat 7.00 pm	Acts Over view-2	Selvin	Dhinakar's house
	Bethel nagar (9900729980) Co ord: Deep	13th Jun Sat 6:30 pm	False teachings - Learning from Col. -Part1	Christopher	Christopher's house
	K.R. Puram (9886799785) (Co. ord.: Jayanth)	27th Jun Sat 6:30 pm	False teachings - Learning from Col. -Part2	Christopher	Irwin's house
	Hoodi(9845919468) Co. ord.: Joyce Arun	13th June Sat 6:30PM	Learning from life of heroes from OT	Rajkumar	Deep's House
	Devasandra Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Koirraj)	27th June Sat 6:30PM	Learning from life of heroes from OT	Rajkumar	Vijay's House
	Kodighalli Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Sasikala)	13th Jun Sat 7.00 pm	The Discipline of Submission (outward Discipline)	Solomon	Jayant's House
	Priyankanagar Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Rueban Gandhi)	27th Jun Sat 7.00 pm	The Discipline of Submission (outward Discipline)	Solomon	Solomon's House
	Bethel Nagar Tamil AF (Co ord: Vijay)	13th Jun Sat 6:30 pm	Ephesians 5	Vivek	Shibu's house
	Hoodi Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Mary)	27th Jun Sat 6:30 pm	Ephesians 6	Angelin Isaac	Arun's House
Tamil area fellowship	Marathahalli Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Prabhui Paul)	07-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Study from Philemon-Part 1	Selvin	Koirraj House
	White field Kannada AF (Co. ord: Ashok Doddanna)	21-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Study from Philemon-Part 2	Selvin	Wilson's house
	Telugu AF (co. ord.: Jeevan)	07-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Bible Characters-1	Wilfred	George's house
	White field Hindi AF (Co. ord: Jays)	21-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Bible Characters-2	Jabez	George's house
	WCS monthly fellowship (Tamil)	07-June-2015 Sun 4:30PM	Importance of using right words- Part1	Bernard	Rueban Gandhi's house
	WCS monthly fellowship(English)	21-June-2015 Sun 4:30PM	Importance of using right words- Part2	Bernard	Manoj House
	Senior worshippers fellowship	07-June-2015 Sun 4:30PM	Jesus Withers the Fig Tree (MT 21:18:22)	Solomon	Mrs. Juliet Joseph
		21-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Yet To decide for a New set of Topics	Solomon	Yet to Decide
		07-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Study on Philipians	Anban	Mrs. Mary's House
		21-June-2015 Sun 6:00PM	Study on Colossians	Anban	Mrs. Manjamma House
Kannada	Marathahalli Tamil AF (Co. ord.: Prabhui Paul)	06-June-2015 Sat 5:30PM	How to Study Bible (Parables)	Prabu Paul	Paul Dhinakaran's House
	White field Kannada AF (Co. ord: Ashok Doddanna)	20-June-2015 Sat 5:30PM	How to Study Bible (Parables)	Prabu Paul	Prabu Paul's House
Telugu	Telugu AF (co. ord.: Jeevan)	05-June-2015 Fri 6 pm	Assurance of faith	Ashok Doddanna	Rakshitha's house
	White field Hindi AF (Co. ord: Jays)	19-June-2015 Fri 6 pm	Importance of fellowship	Ashok Doddanna	Mala's house
Hindi	White field Hindi AF (Co. ord: Jays)	06-June-2015 Sat 5:30PM	Jesus Feeds 5,000 (Mark 6:30-44)	Kalyan	Christophers house
	WCS monthly fellowship (Tamil)	6th June Sat 6:00 pm	Calling of Jesus - Contd. 1	Jays & Anisha	Avinash's house
Senior worshippers fellowship	WCS monthly fellowship(English)	20th June Sat 6:00 pm	Calling of Jesus - Contd. 2	Jays & Anisha	Mohan's house
		14-June Sun 9am	Women of the Bible - Deborah	Mrs Jaya David	WCS – Anina
		21-June Sun 11:30 am	Women of the Bible - Deborah	Mrs Anina David	WCS – Anina
		14-June-2015 11.30 am	TBD	Rev.Shanthi Tilak	BMC- Lay activities dept

Bible Studies - June 2015

	Date	Study Topic	Study leader	Venue / Dept.
Youth fellowship(Tamil MYF) Mentor: Franklin Koilpillai & Jemimah Koilpillai (Help: Bernard)	7th June Sun 9.00 am 14th June Sun 9.00 am 21st June Sun 9.00 am 28th June Sun 9.00 am	Christian Basics Outreach Preparation - Whitefield Discipleship Series Led by youth leader	Dr. Singh Youth Bernard Youth Leader	BMC (Dept: MYF)
Youth fellowship(English MYF) Mentor: Franklin Koilpillai & Jemimah Koilpillai (Help: Dr.Singh, Mr. John Prashanth & fly, Selvin)	6th June Sun 12.00 Noon 13th June Sun 12.00 noon 20th June Sun 12.00 noon 27th June Sun 12.00 noon	My hero Missionary - Assignment Presentation Financial Series - Part 2 Christian Basics Led by youth leader	Youth Team Franklin John Prashanth Youth Leader	BMC (Dept: MYF)
Teens fellowship Mentor: Jabez Yesudas & Merjula Jabez	06-Jun-15 8.25-9.25 am 13 Jun Sun 8.25-9.25 am 20 Jun Sun 8.25-9.25 am 27 Jun Sun 8.25-9.25 am	Teens - Welcome, introduction and orientation Teens Planning for the year 2015-2016 A Fast Forward Life - Discussion Teens Activity - 1	Jabez Jabez Jabez Jabez	BMC (Dept.: CE)

Whitefield Outreach - June 2015 (Coordinator - Atheeje, Missions Dept.)

Date	Message Topic	Resource person	Venue
06th June 2015 3:30 to 5:30 PM	Relationship with the World	Rev. David Livingston	St. Josephs School, Whitefield
13th June 2015 3:30 to 5:30 PM	Scripture based overview on Relationship	Mr. Solomon Pushparaj	
20th June 2015 3:30 to 5:30 PM	Relationship with Children	Mr. Clement Selvaraj	
27th June 2015 3:30 to 5:30 PM	Relationship with God	Mr. Ashok Dodanna	

Sadaramangala Outreach – June 2015 (Co. ord.: Irwin, Missions dept.; Additional support: Shanmugam, Churchil& fly, Timothy, Selina Mohandas)

Date	Resource Person	Venue
06th June 2015 5.00 pm	Mr. Timothy	Shanmugam's house, Sadaramangala
13th June 2015 5.00 pm	Mrs .Selina Mohandas	
20th June 2015 5.00 pm	Rev. David Livingstone	
27th June 2015 5.00 pm	Mrs .Selina Mohandas	

Sunday School Outreach - June 2015 (Coordinator - Joyce Arun)

Program	Date	In charge	Department
Hoodi Kannada Sunday school	All Sundays at 2:00 pm	Sharon (Help: Gracy, Sandya)	Sunday school
Whitefield Kannada Sunday School	All Sundays at 4:00pm-5:00 pm	Giffin Clement (Help: Mala, Joyce, Gracia, Jachin, Clement, Mala, Monica)	Missions / Sunday School
Devasandra English Sunday School	All Sundays at 4:00pm-5:00 pm	Angelin Isaac (Help: Ruth, Koilraj fly)	Sunday school
Sadar mangala Kannada Sunday School	All Sundays at 4:00pm-5:00 pm	Sharon (Help: Gracy, Sandya, Rebecca, Shanmugam)	Sunday School
KR puram Kannada Sunday School	All Sundays at 4:00pm-5:00 pm	Veena (Help: Timothy, Leena Ashok, Sharon)	Sunday School

Regular & Special Programs – June, July & August 2015

	Program	Date	In charge	Department
Regular programs - June 2015	Morning worship service(Tamil)	All Sundays 7:00am-8:45am	Pastor	Pastor
	Morning worship service(English)	All Sundays 9:30am-11:15am	Pastor	Pastor
	Contemporary Worship Service	All Sundays 6:30pm-7:30 pm	Pastor / Isaac	Pastor / Music dept
	BMC Sunday School	All Sundays 8:15am-9:25 am	Joyce Arun	Sunday School
	BMC monthly fasting prayer	6th Mar Friday 6:30pm -8:00pm: in Tamil 8:00pm -9:30pm: in English	Dr. Solomon	Prayer dept
Regular Programs June 2015	Sunday school starts	7th Jun Sun 8.15 am	Joyce Arun	Sunday school dept
	Quarterly quiz	20th Jun Sat 6.00 pm	Dr. Rajkumar	CE dept
	Teaching Session (Tamil)	28th Jun Sun 9.00 am	Prabu Paul	CE dept
	Teaching Session (English)	28th Jun Sun 11:30am - 1:30pm (including lunch)	Dr. Rajkumar	CE dept
	a. BMC annual camp (English)	10th Jul Fri 6pm to 12th Sun 5pm	Shibu	CE dept / Dr. Rajkumar
	b. Youth Camp (English)		Franklin Koilpillai	
	c. Children's Camp (English)		Joyce Arun	
	Teaching Session (Tamil)	26th Jul Sun 9.00 am	Prabu Paul	CE dept
	Teaching Session (English)	26th Jul Sun 11:30am - 1:30pm (including lunch)	Dr. Rajkumar	CE dept
	Independence day flag hoisting at BMC	15th Aug Sat 7.30 am	Sathya	Lay activities
Pray for India	15th Aug Sat 9.00 am	Dr. Solomon	Prayer dept	
Sunday School Sunday	16th Aug Sun(7 & 9:30am service)	Joyce Arun	Sunday school dept	
Teaching Session (Tamil)	23rd Aug Sun 9.00 am	Prabu Paul	CE dept	
Teaching Session (English)	28th Aug Sun 11:30am - 1:30pm (including lunch)	Dr. Rajkumar	CE dept	
Teens Sunday	30th Aug Sun(7 & 9:30am service)	Jabez Yesudas	Teens fellowship (CE Dept)	
Special Programs July 2015				
Special Programs Aug 2015				

Irula VBS - 2015



BMC Annual Camp 2015

Date 10-Jul-15 (Fri.) 6:30 AM TO 12-Jul-15 (Sun.) 5:00 pm

Venue Ecumenical Christian Centre, Whitefield, Bangalore

Speakers Mrs & Rev CA Benjamin (FEBA India)

Mrs & Mr Mathan Singh (BYM)

Mr Jonathan Rajan (SAIACS)

Total Registration fee - Rs 1800 per person

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Pulpit Calendar - June 2015

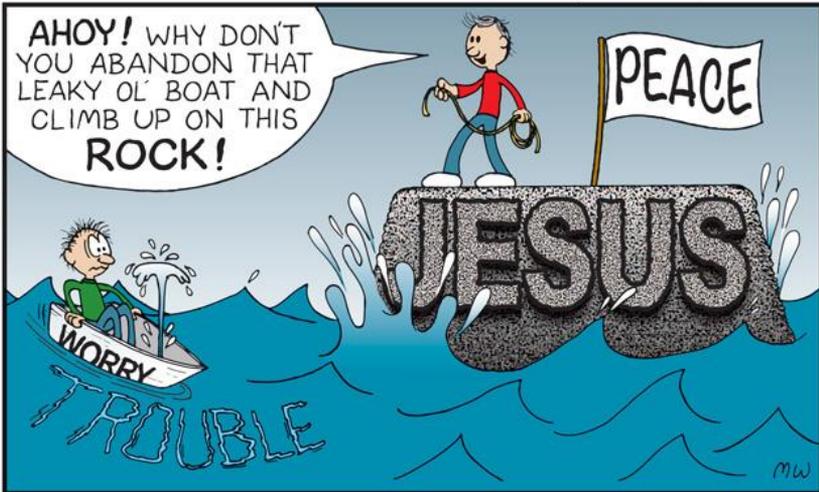
Theme: Foundation of Life, Ephesians 2:20



Date	Time	Speaker	Topic
7-Jun-15	7:00 am (Tamil)	IEM Translator	Worldly Builder's Reject
	9:30 am (English)	Pastor	
	6:30 pm (English)	Pastor	
14-Jun-15	7:00 am (Tamil)	Pastor	Stumbling on the Stone
	9:30 am (English)	Pastor	
	6:30 pm (English)	Dr Rajkumar	
21-Jun-15	7:00 am (Tamil)	Rev Dr Mrs Shanti Tilak	Precious or Fake Stone?
	9:30 am (English)	Rev Dr Tilak Samuel	
	6:30 pm (English)	Dr Kumara Raja Singh	
28-Jun-15	7:00 am (Tamil)	Pastor	The Fire Tests
	9:30 am (English)	Pastor	
	6:30 pm (English)	Dr Vivek	

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I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

- JOHN 16:33 NIV

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