
Upcoming Events

Metro Mission Trip Team Leaving for India: Dec 22nd, Saturday
(Keep the team in your prayers)

Obituary

Mrs. Annamma Chacko (89 years old), mother of Sis. Gigi passed away on 12-12-07. Please keep the bereaved family in your prayers and for Gigi as she is traveling to attend the funeral services in India.

Weekly Schedule

Wed, Dec 19th (Carrollton) Sam & Lincy's residence (7 PM)

Friday, Dec 21st (Fasting Prayer) Metro Church of God (10 AM)

Friday, Dec 21st (Garland) Babu & Gracy's residence (7 PM)

Saturday, Dec 22nd (Metro) Evening Prayer (7 PM)

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The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice! (Psalm 21:1)

Welcome

"... and you will be my witnesses..." (Acts 1:8)

Greetings to all of you once again in the name of our Savior Lord Jesus Christ, the soon coming King. It gives us immense pleasure in welcoming all of you to a time of praise and worship in the house of the Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples that they are going to be his 'witnesses.' This word assumes significance for us today as we are worshipping in the backdrop of the knowledge that a team is going from this church to India for exposure and empowerment in the mission fields there. As we continue to uphold them in prayer, we also need a realization of the seriousness of the mandate that is given to the church in the New Testament.

The Book of Acts is a book detailing the fulfillment of the Great Commission mandate that Jesus gave the church in Mathew 28: 18-20. From the very outset the book begins to detail the growth and development of the mandate given to the disciples. To be witness is an obligation for all disciples. This comes with a promise- the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. One commentator has rightly pointed out that the Christian church in Acts is a missionary church that responds obediently to Jesus' commission, acts on Jesus' behalf in the extension of his ministry, focuses its proclamation of the Kingdom of God in its witness to Jesus, is guided and empowered by the self-same Spirit that directed and supported Jesus' ministry and follows a program whose guidelines for outreach have been set by Jesus himself.

The Greek word used for witness is '*martures*' from which we get our word martyr. The first century church exceptionally lived up to that testimony. Therefore, Tertullian the 2nd century church father could boldly say that the blood of the martyr is the seed of the church. Even today the Lord is seeking for witnesses who would, not only be ready to die for the master but would consciously live a life focused on Jesus Christ. Can the Lord count on you today as you seek His face today?

In Christ Alone,

Pr Satish Kumar

Prayer for India: Calcutta (Kolkata)

Calcutta is a city of contrasts. A place with beautiful people, rich and colorful culture, but a place where poverty and suffering exist to a staggering degree.

18 million people live in the 36 square-mile area of Calcutta, originally designed to sustain only 3 million people. Over one-third of these live at or below the poverty line, defined as making a wage of less than \$30 per month. Between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. during the week, the population swells to 25 million.

The over-crowding, poverty, and unsanitary living conditions have created an overwhelming need for assistance and help.

Pray for the people of Calcutta that they may find hope and deliverance through Jesus Christ.

Pray for ministries such as the Calcutta Mercy Ministries (Buntain), which through education, feeding and medical programs reach out to the people.

**<http://www.onedaychallenge.org/>*

**www.cbn.com/700club/guests/bios/huldah_buntain_101504.aspx*

Sermon Notes

Words of Wisdom

There is only one relationship that really matters, and that is your personal relationship to your personal Redeemer and Lord. If you maintain that at all costs, letting everything else go, God will fulfill His purpose through your life. One individual life may be of priceless value to God's purposes, and yours may be that life. - Oswald Chambers

God asks no man whether he will accept life. That is not the choice. You must take it. The only choice is how. -Henry Ward Beecher

We have learned to soar through the air like birds, to swim through the seas like fish, to soar through space like comets. Now it is high time we learned to walk the earth as the children of our God. -William Sloan Coffin

B.I.B.L.E

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know!"

"Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for '**B**asic **I**nformation **B**efore **L**eaving **E**arth.'"