
Upcoming Events

Watch-night service Dec 31st, Monday (9:00 PM)

Sunday School / Youth Anniversary, Sat - Jan 12th, (6:00 PM)

Weekly Schedule

Mon, Dec 31st (Metro) Watch-Night Service (9:00 PM)

Wed, Jan 2nd (Metro) Bible Study @ church (7 PM)

Friday, Jan 4th (Fasting Prayer) Pr. Satish & Anitha's residence (10 AM)

Friday, Jan 4th (Mesquite) Babykuty & Sommie's residence (7 PM)

Saturday, Jan 5th (Metro) Evening Prayer (7 PM)

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The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. (Psalm 24:1)

Welcome

“ Dear brothers and sisters pray for us” (1 Thessalonians 5: 25 NLT)

Welcome once again as we begin to worship our Savior Jesus Christ on this day wherein we celebrate his life, death, resurrection, ascension and intercession for us in the presence of God the Father.

Prayer is the lifeline that keeps the Christian going in the midst of a world of uncertainties and unpredictability's. Paul the apostles to the Gentiles and greatest of all missionaries that the world has yet seen earnestly pleaded that he depends on prayer so much and time and again entreated the believers to pray for him (Rom.15:30)

In many ways we all realize the importance of prayer and we also acknowledge that it is the first thing that we can do for anybody. Nevertheless, the difficulty is to find the right time and place to spend few moments in the presence of God without intrusions and distractions. We are also aware that the enemy hates us to go in prayer and precisely for that reason he will bring numerous unnecessary thoughts and anxieties of life to avoid us doing that. Jesus often told his disciples to keep awake and pray. Yes it is true that we need to be awake (literally) while praying but more than that it is to be awake to the spiritual forces at play when we pray. We must be aware of the nearness of God and so also that the schemes of the enemy is nigh. The tempter was very close to Jesus in the desert after his baptism and he came to Jesus immediately when he found human frailty and wanted to distract him from his God given responsibility.

Friends, beware that the enemy the Devil is prowling like a lion to see whom he may devour, but thanks be to God because we have the strength and promise of the lion of Judah to help us in our weakness and enable us to continue the spiritual battle. May the Lord help us as we seek His face this morning to become more and more consciously aware of His presence in our midst and in our lives.

In Christ Alone,

Pr Satish Kumar

Words of Wisdom: New Year

I compare the troubles which we have to undergo in the course of the year to a great bundle of wood, far too large for us to lift. But God does not require us to carry the whole at once. He mercifully unties the bundle, and gives us first one stick, which we are to carry today, and then another, which we are to carry tomorrow, and so on. This we might easily manage, if we would only take the burden appointed for each day; but we choose to increase our troubles by carrying yesterday's stick over again today, and adding tomorrow's burden to the load, before we are required to bear it. - *John Newton*

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year: Give me a light. that I may tread safely into the unknown. And he replied: Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way. - *Minnie L. Haskins*

Glory to God in highest heaven,
Who unto man His Son hath given;
While angels sing with tender mirth,
A glad new year to all the earth. - *Martin Luther*

The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. Unless a particular man made New Year resolutions, he would make no resolutions. Unless a man starts afresh about things, he will certainly do nothing effective. Unless a man starts on the strange assumption that he has never existed before, it is quite certain that he will never exist afterwards. Unless a man be born again, he shall by no means enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. - *G.K. Chesterton*

Sermon Notes