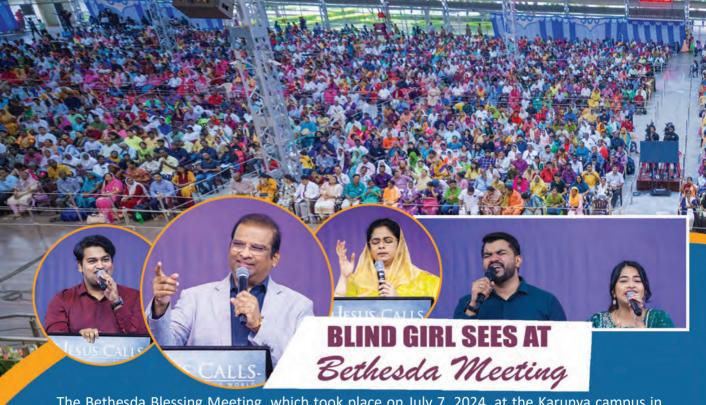
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THE LORD MAKES EVERYTHING OUT THE LORD MAKES EVERYTHING IN ITS TIME.

(ECCLESIASTES 3:11)



The Bethesda Blessing Meeting, which took place on July 7, 2024, at the Karunya campus in Coimbatore, was a significant event organised by the Jesus Calls Ministries. The meeting brought together a large congregation of believers seeking spiritual rejuvenation and healing. The event was marked by powerful prayer sessions, soul-stirring worship, and enlightening teachings, all aimed at uplifting and inspiring the attendees in the Lord. The praise and worship session led, by Sis. Stella Ramola and Bro. Daniel Davidson was a divine experience that blessed the thousands who had gathered. Bro. Samuel Dhinakaran welcomed the testimonies and prayed for the people to receive God's miracles in their lives. Dr. Paul Dhinakaran shared the word of God, which touched the hearts of people and also prayed for them to experience the supernatural from the Lord.

The participants shared their testimonies of miraculous healings and blessings they had experienced, further strengthening the congregation's faith. The testimonies served as a powerful reminder of the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit, just like in the days of the Bible.













A GIRL BLIND FROM BIRTH SEES THE WORLD FOR THE FIRST TIME AFTER 17 YEARS

Ms. Aradhana, a 17-year-old girl from Sangli, Maharashtra, was born blind.

Her mother passed away four years ago, and her father left them many years ago. Her grandmother has been her caregiver since then. Aradhana attends a special needs school, where she always requires someone to hold her hand



and help her. But, during the Bethesda Blessing Meeting, while receiving individual prayer from Dr. Paul Dhinakaran, who placed his hands upon her eyes and prayed, miraculously, she regained her vision and is now able to walk without any support. Praise God.



Doubly Blessed

I married my husband Mirza Majid in August 2015, and we live in Bangalore. For six years, we faced the pain of childlessness and societal pressure. In 2018, my father encouraged us to seek divine intervention at Bethesda, where he had a vision of me with two children. We prayed, enrolled in the Family Blessing Plan, and by God's grace, I conceived twins in 2021. Despite a doctor's warning that only one baby might survive, we kept our faith. I contracted COVID-19 in the sixth month of pregnancy but recovered with prayer support. At 34 weeks, we joyfully welcomed two healthy twins. We are profoundly grateful for God's miracle and countless blessings. - Rebecca Solomon, Bangalore

Just like Sis. Rebecca Solomon, you, too, will experience manifold blessings and witness your family thriving in accordance with God's plan by blessing other families through your participation in the Family Blessing Plan.

PRIVILEGES OF FAMILY BLESSING PLAN:

- * Prayer intercessors will call and pray on your Wedding Anniversary
- * The Jesus Calls Magazine will be sent every month to your address
 YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING WILL BE THE CAUSE FOR
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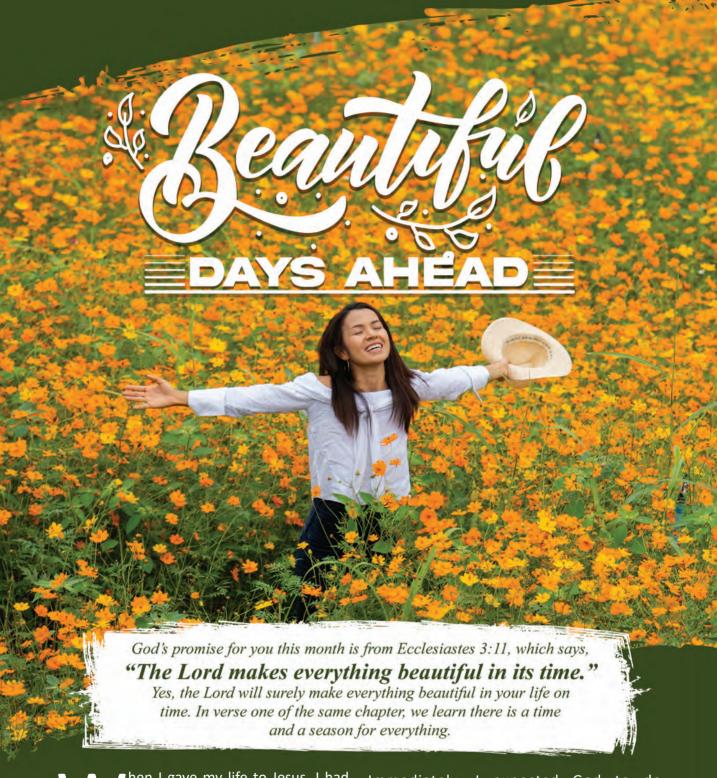
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For your gift of US\$31 or more every month you could enroll your family as part of the Family Blessing Plan and be a blessing to millions through this mission.

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SCAN ME



hen I gave my life to Jesus, I had nothing to do with Him before that moment. I was suffering from terrible headaches, failing in my studies, and had no peace. It was during this time that I surrendered my life to Jesus, and God graciously blessed me with His Spirit.

Immediately, I expected God to do supernatural things and elevate me quickly. I

prayed, "Lord, lift me up in life." One day, as our family was praying, the Holy Spirit came





upon my father, and he began to prophesy over me. He said, The Lord says, "My son Paul, do not jump too high. You must go step by step."

As written in Luke 2:52, Jesus grew in wisdom, stature, favor with man, and grace from God, there is a step for everything.

Firstly, God wanted to increase my stature. At that time, I was 5 feet 3 inches tall. Amazingly, from that point, I began to grow and almost reached 6 feet. God gave me stature, and He also blessed me in my education. I was just entering college when the Lord transformed my life. He gave me the grace to pursue a Ph.D. in advertising, which I completed at the age of 26. Amazingly, within two days of receiving my Ph.D. from the University of Madras, I was engaged to my wife, Evangeline. God was working quickly, but everything happened step by step.

After that, the Spirit of God rose within me, guiding me daily. I followed His guidance in my professional life and ministry. The gifts of the Holy Spirit began to grow, and God started using me to bless people, alongside my father. Millions were blessed even while I was at that young age. It was the Holy Spirit directing me, and I simply followed. I was never afraid but boldly proclaimed what Jesus asked me to, and He would confirm it. The gifts began to operate, and I gained favor in the eyes of people from all walks of life and languages. Today, you can see the grace of God and favor with men, all step by step.

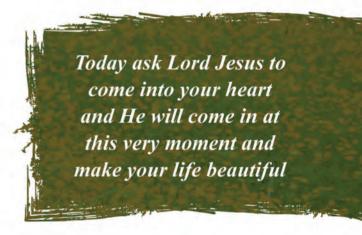
God also has a plan for each of you. Everything will come step by step, not all at once. Do not be afraid or concerned. Thank God, saying, "Lord, You have chosen to lead me step by step." God is never late. He will make everything beautiful in its time because He is so beautiful.

Time for Transformation

Firstly, God has a time for us to be transformed into His children, and that time is

always today. The time for transformation is today. In Luke 23:43, as Jesus was hanging on the cross, the thief said, "Remember me, Lord," and Jesus responded, "Today you will be in paradise with me." He says to you too, "Today I will make your soul beautiful. I'll make your life beautiful. I will transform you into God's child."

It will happen to you today. Look at Zacchaeus in Luke 19:5. He was waiting to see Jesus, and that was all he wanted. But Jesus came to him, called his name, and said, "Zacchaeus, today I will stay at your house." Jesus longs to do the same for us. He says, "Today I will come into your heart. Today I will come into your house." When Zacchaeus said,

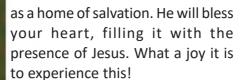


"Lord, I'm giving half my wealth to the poor and repaying everything I have taken unjustly fourfold," Jesus said, "Today salvation has come to this house."

Yes, He makes our souls beautiful. The time for our soul to become beautiful is today. Today He's coming into your heart. Right now, He's coming into your heart, and He will transform you beautifully.

When Jesus was born, the message given was, "Today a Savior is born for you in Bethlehem." We don't need to postpone it. It will happen today. Ask, and it shall be given. He will come in at this very moment and make your life beautiful. He will transform you into His child, open heaven, and bless your home

TODAY AS YOU CALL **ON JESUS** AND REQUEST HIM TO **TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE HE WILL** REMOVE **ALL THE THINGS** THAT BRING **DEPRES-**SION. SORROW. **FEAR AND PAIN IN YOUR LIFE** AND MAKE YOUR LIFE **BEAUTIFUL**



I want to share a testimony to encourage you, about a man named Senthil Kumar. For 25 years, he was not a Christian and didn't know Jesus. He was an alcoholic. drinking constantly except when he was asleep. He was also a chain smoker, and his life was miserable without peace. He couldn't sleep without medication, and his family life was non-existent. He had a small house given by the government, but due to his condition, his friends manipulated the documents and stole the house from him, leaving him homeless. He ended up living in a shack with his wife and two children, with no hope.

One day, he was watching a latenight movie on television. As he was lying down, he had the remote control by his bed. In the morning, as he got up, he accidentally pressed the remote control, turning the television on. To his surprise, our program was on. He didn't know who Jesus was or who we were. By the power of the Holy Spirit, I said, "There is a man named Senthil who is watching this program. Your life is miserable. You are addicted, and you have lost everything. Come to Jesus."

He was shocked. At that moment, he didn't know how to come to Jesus or anything about Him. But I said, "The power of God is coming upon you." And behold, at that moment, all his addictions left him.

He rose up as a new man. It was a miracle. Today is the day of salvation. Today, I bring peace to your home and salvation to your home. That is the power of Jesus. God established Senthil in his job, he got his house back, and the grace of God overflowed in his life. What a joy!

Today as you call on Jesus and request Him to transform your life He will remove all the things that bring depression, sorrow, fear and pain in your life by coming into your life and taking total charge. What a beautiful life awaits you in Jesus.

Time for Miracles

To experience miracles of Jesus in our lives, there is a process. In John Chapter 2, Jesus attends the wedding feast at Cana. The first statement He hears is from His mother, who says, "There is no wine." Jesus responds, "Woman, My time has not yet come." His time to make everything beautiful had not yet come. But Mary, His mother, did not answer or beg Him. Instead, she looked at the servants and said, "Do whatever He asks you to do."

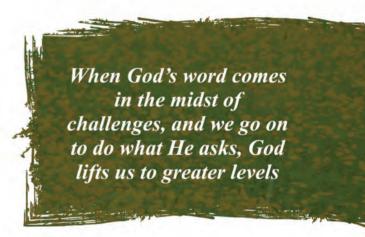
When God's word comes in the midst of challenges, and we go on to do what He asks, God lifts us to greater levels. Greater miracles happen, greater favor from people and the government, greater provisions. If we sit in our problems and cry, saying there is no wine, wine will never come. If we ask Jesus to come and do the miracle for us and provide wine in a jar, it never happens. When you go through problems and challenges, that's when the living word and revelation

come. God doesn't tell you the solution in logical terms; He says, "Fill the jars with water," not with grape juice, not with grapes. Fill the jars with water and go serve it. That's how He will talk to you.

In my life, I have seen this again and again. When we had a significant problem with the University, it was time for it to become a University. Several colleges applied, including us, and the commissions came to inspect. Everyone else was given approval, but we were not because we were a Christian institution. The head of education in the government questioned how he could give us this order as a Christian institution that professed Jesus Christ. We didn't know what to do. We went to court, even reaching the Supreme Court. At that moment, our hearts were broken. My father and I decided to fast and pray to ask God what He wanted us to do for a solution.

God said, "My children, it's election time in India. Gather all the churches and pray for 72 hours as Esther prayed. I will give you the answer." He didn't speak about the Court or Government or the University matter but showed us a different path. We were to get people to pray across the nation. Uniting all the churches together was not easy, but as the Lord spoke to us, I contacted church leaders across the nation the next morning. They agreed to come together, and history was made as we had prayer in 14 cities for 72 hours. God heard that prayer. Amazingly, the government's political party that was stopping our progress was routed out in the elections, despite opinion polls predicting their return. A new government came to power, the Supreme Court passed the order in our favor, and Karunya became a university. It became sweeter wine, and I was appointed to the Government Education Council, with the Prime Minister as Chairman, to design the nation's education policy. Sweeter wine, indeed.

My friend, this is what happens when you wait on God. He will speak to you. Just do what He asks you to do. Everything concerning you will become more beautiful and sweeter. The time for miracles will be perfected. At the right time, He transformed the water into sweet wine and fed everyone. Everyone in your family will be satisfied, and there will be nothing lacking in your life. Whether it's in your office, business, family, amongst relatives, society, or the nation, everyone will be satisfied through you, saying, "You have given us sweeter wine." You are that sweeter wine. If you believe it, let not your heart be troubled.



When do these miracles happen?

Some miracles happen instantaneously. In Mark 1:40-42, a leper comes to Jesus and says, "If you will, Lord, I'll be healed." Jesus lays His hands upon him, saying, "I am willing. Be clean!" and he is healed immediately. That's the power of God. He heals instantaneously. He performs miracles instantly.

Some miracles happen when we obey. For example, in Luke 17:14-16, ten lepers come to Jesus, crying out for mercy. Instead of healing them instantly, He says, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." On their way, they are healed. Only one of the healed lepers returned to Jesus to honor, thank, and praise Him.

Many times, Jesus sends us to see if we will come back to honor Him after receiving a miracle. How often do we forget about Jesus after a miracle and go our own way? Yet, that one man returned to give thanks and honor Him.

How many of us are faithful in testifying about Jesus and the miracles He has done for us? How many of us say, "I want to be part of this prayer mission. I want to do my best to wipe away the tears of others. I want to spend time, give my possessions, and give my best to praise the Lord." God tests us, and Jesus tests us. He wants to see if we will come back to honor Him and be grateful.

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Yes, Jesus tests us, saying, "Go your way," and the miracle still happens. However, I don't know how long those miracles will last if we are not grateful. Many receive miracles, but because they are not grateful, they lose the grace of God. So ask the Miracle Worker to stay with you by being a testimony for Him.

There was a lady who came and testified at one of our meetings. Her name is Salomi from Guntur. During the message, with nearly 60,000 people present, I suddenly stopped preaching, pointed in a certain direction, and said, "There is a lady called Salomi here in this crowd. You are separated from your husband. Your heart is broken, Salomi. But Jesus says, do not end your life. He will build your life." I continued preaching, and suddenly there was

a commotion near the stage. A lady jumped onto the platform, running with a paper in her hand.

She said, "I am that Salomi whom you just called out before 60,000 people." She showed me the paper she was writing her prayer request on while I was preaching. It read, "Pray for me that my husband will come back home. He should be a new transformed man. Pray for me." She had not finished writing her prayer request, but Jesus saw her at the meeting and her great burdens in her young age and made me call her name. I prayed for her. She then became part of the ministry in the Family Blessing Plan to bless other families. Behold, her husband came back, completely transformed. It was a miracle.

In the next meeting we had in Andhra Pradesh, both husband and wife came to the platform. They shared their testimony before an even larger crowd, saying, "Jesus brought us back together. We went on our way, but we praised Him by being part of His mission, and God transformed our lives." Today, they are a witness for the Lord as husband and wife. God has blessed them, prospered them, and established them in the secular realm too. What a great joy. God will do it for you too.

Some miracles happen later but never late. Yes, we find God's time comes when everything fails in our lives. Sometimes God waits until everything has failed. We don't know why God does it. The more we pray and fast, sometimes things don't happen the way we expect. We struggle and ask, "Why? Why?" Look at Lazarus in John Chapter 11. The moment Jesus heard Lazarus was sick, He waited two days in that city. He didn't go immediately. Later, Lazarus' sister said, "You could have come on time, Lord. Why did you come late? Today, my brother is dead. Four days he's been in the grave. Now he's stinking." God waits until that time when everything is gone. Everything rots, and we say, "There is

no hope." That is the time for Jesus. For us, it's a finished case. But Jesus waited until that time and said, "Martha, don't you know I am the life? I am the resurrection. I am the life. I am the resurrection. Even if someone who believes in Me dies, yet he will live. Yet she will live."

Today, you may say everything is over. Everything is over for my child. Everything is over for my family. Everything is over regarding my job, my visa, my life, and so on. But it's never over for Jesus. He makes everything beautiful in its time. And the Lord who raised Lazarus will surely raise you up also. You know, Jesus never raised just the body of Lazarus; He also raised the soul of Lazarus. The soul of Lazarus would have gone to heaven already, but Jesus brought it back and said, "Get into his body and live." He spoke to the body, which was decaying in the earth, and said, "Earth, give back his body. Heaven, give back his soul." He connected both and brought him back into glory. That is the power of God.

Everything will come together-from heaven, from earth, from every quarter-and you will live. God will ensure your life. This is the love of Jesus. Do not fear. Right now, He will resurrect you and everything concerning you.

As 2 Corinthians 3:18 promises, "from glory to glory you will be transformed into the image of Jesus by the Holy Spirit." The Holy Spirit will transform you into His image, just as Lazarus was transformed from the old Lazarus into a new Lazarus, a testimony of Jesus' power. You too will become a testimony. People will come to see what God has done in your life—miracles in your career, your body, and more. They will come from all directions, strangers seeking to learn how to receive a miracle, and you will lead them into glory. This is your future. I declare this blessing upon you in the name of Jesus. Your life will overflow with glory and miracles.

There was a man named Sakthivel, not a

Christian, unfamiliar with Jesus, from the remote village of Anthiyur near Erode. His relatives practiced witchcraft, leaving only him and his mother in the home. They faced threats to destroy them both. Sakthivel was tormented by demons, unable to function and prone to anger. In a fit of rage, he once struck his mother with a stone, influenced by the evil power within him. His mother's words, "I don't know why I gave birth to this man," pierced his heart. Distraught, he decided to end his life by throwing himself before an oncoming train.

Boarding a bus to the nearest train station, he saw a large banner on a building that changed his course. It read, "Are you lonely? Are you forsaken? Are you oppressed by evil powers? Do you feel hopeless? Come inside. Your sorrow will turn into joy." Intrigued, he disembarked and entered the Jesus Calls Prayer Tower where a meeting was in progress. Someone spoke passionately about Jesus' love and the bright future He had planned for each person. Sakthivel was captivated by these words and surrendered his life to Jesus. His life transformed, he found employment as a security guard in that city.

For two years, he frequented the Prayer Tower. One day, attending a meeting where I was praying for attendees, I prophesied over him without knowing who he was, "Sir, God says your life was once wasted, but now He is making you His prophet. He will anoint you with His Holy Spirit, and through you, demons will flee when you pray." God's grace descended upon him, and his life blossomed. He married, had two children, and continued serving the Lord. Through simple prayers, demons were cast out from others. God blessed him with a home, and he became a blessing to many.

My friend, this is the grace God intends for you - to transform you from glory to glory into His image, making your life beautiful in His time. Today is the day His grace is coming. God bless you.



When Jesus walked the earth, He spread goodness, preached to the suffering, healed them, and performed great signs and wonders. Even today, God has entrusted us with the treasure of His Gospel and glory, enabling us to do mighty things in His name (II Corinthians 4:7).

Dr. Paul Dhinakaran and his family have faithfully carried this treasure and calling, praying relentlessly for the brokenhearted and transforming families and individuals through many outreaches.

Several are the testimonies, and we are sharing one such testimony so that you can rejoice with us in the way in which the Lord moves in the lives of His people during these Prayer Festivals:

In a small village, nestled amidst rolling fields of Sarguja, Chhattisgarh, lived Mr. Philemon, a man known for his steadfast faith and active participation in church activities. By trade, he was a farmer and carpenter, providing for his family through his labour.

However, the company he kept led him astray, drawing him into the dark embrace of alcohol. Initially, Philemon drank in secrecy, continuing his church attendance with a hidden vice. But as his secret came to light, shame and guilt led him to abandon his place of worship altogether. Life continued its course, and Philemon married. There was hope that

matrimony would anchor him, but even the birth of his first daughter, Angel, could not sever his ties to addiction. His life spiralled further as he began chewing tobacco, and his work ethic deteriorated.

Each evening, Philemon would return home in a drunken stupor, demanding money from his wife, Mrs. Anita, who struggled to provide even two meals a day for their family. The financial strain grew unbearable, and in her desperation, Anita, too, succumbed to the solace of tobacco. Twelve long years passed in this misery, with their daughter, Angel, facing ridicule at school due to her father's













reputation. Amidst this turmoil, the family welcomed a second child, intensifying their struggles. Philemon's earnings were squandered on his vices, leaving nothing for his family's sustenance. Then, a glimmer of hope emerged when they heard about the Jesus Calls Prayer Festival, scheduled to happen at Ambikapur. Clinging to this hope, Philemon and his family decided to attend.

On the second day of the Prayer Festival, Philemon, consumed by desperation, cried out to God, "O God, if you still love me, give me a second chance and call my name through Dr. Paul Dhinakaran." In that exact moment, Dr. Paul Dhinakaran, moved by the Holy Spirit, called out, "I see a name, Philemon. Once, you were following God, but now you are addicted. Philemon, the Lord Jesus delivers you as you cry out to Him."

In an instant, a powerful sensation, like an electric current, coursed through Bro. Philemon's body. He was filled with the joy of salvation, and from that day forward, his

cravings for alcohol and tobacco vanished. A new man emerged, dedicated to his family and his work. Witnessing his miraculous transformation, Sis. Anita, too, abandoned her tobacco addiction.

The couple began attending church regularly, their faith renewed and their lives restored. Angel now attends school with a joyful heart, free from the shadow of her father's past. Just within a year, this family was completely transformed by the power of God. Now, they have become a blessing to many more families like theirs through their powerful testimony and partnership with the Jesus Calls Prayer Festival Ministry. All praise be to God Almighty for granting this remarkable renewal in Bro. Philemon's life and his family.

Just like how Mr. Philemon's life was transformed, several thousand lives have also been transformed through the Jesus Calls Prayer Festivals. We wholeheartedly invite you to actively engage in the upcoming Jesus Calls Prayer Festivals by attending, contributing and introducing them to your friends and family. Your participation will bring immense blessings upon you and everyone involved.



- * Thank you, dear friend, for faithfully supporting this mission with your offerings and fasting prayers every time the Dhinakarans brought God's word to the people in different cities. We express our gratitude to God for the donations we have received and for blessing your heart to do more in the future, standing alongside us in this mission of bringing healing to the brokenhearted.
- * It is remarkable to note that 110 million individuals have personally attended the grounds where the gospel was preached. However, millions more have watched the event through live television or social media telecasts simultaneously. The Dhinakarans would have brought God's blessings upon nearly four times this number of people, indicating their greater responsibility in the future. So, continue praying for the Dhinakarans so that they can reach out

to more people who are yet to experience the love of Christ.

FESTIVALS HAVE FURNED A MILLION SORROWS INTO JOYS...

- * We continue to pray and believe that the Prayer Festival ministry will reach many more people with the vision that "not one soul should be lost." The people reached through these Prayer Festivals in turn touch many lives thereby impacting the nation for Christ.
- * As we serve lakhs of people in a day in each of these meetings, the expenses are huge, and the needs are great before us.
- * Training Prayer Intercessors & Counsellors, Publicity, Promotions, ground preparation, stage erection, pandals, bore wells, printing, sound, lighting system, crew transportation, ministry crew, food and accommodation for the entire team, including volunteers and staff for all the days of their stay along with live broadcasting and webcasting, computers, internet access, and other technology related costs, media, etc are the expenses we have to meet to conduct these Prayer Festivals.
- * If you are led by the Lord, you are most welcome to offer support and sponsor these events. May the Lord who sees your generous heart bless and openly reward you. Dr. Paul Dhinakaran will specially pray over you and your family or your business in these meetings.
- * We are planning to hold Prayer Festivals in Nagpur, Jabalpur and Jamshedpur for which we invite your donations and your presence. Do come and be blessed.

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PRAYED FOR 265 MILLION PEOPLE IN 41 YEARS THROUGH JESUS CALLS PRAYER TOWERS

"Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place."
(2 Chronicles 7:15)

STAND BEHIND MANY MIRACLE STORIES



DIVINE HEALING

My sister's son, Victor Samuel, had a severe accident that left him unconscious and in critical condition. The doctors admitted him to the ICU and told us that his survival was uncertain. They also warned us that even if he survived, he might never speak again. Our family was devastated and didn't know what to do. My sister and I immediately went to the Jesus Calls Prayer Tower, and asked the prayer intercessors to pray for him. By God's great grace, Victor was moved from the ICU to the general ward within a few days. He recovered and could speak and be normal as before. God heard our prayers, honored our faith, and miraculously healed him. Even the doctors were amazed at his rapid recovery. I thank God and express my heartfelt gratitude to all the prater intercessors who prayed for him. To God be the glory!

- Joyce Babu, Tamil Nadu

Just like Joyce, you too can receive greater miracles and be relieved from all your troubles by visiting or calling the Prayer Towers and receiving prayers for your needs.

People who visit or call the Prayer Towers have never returned empty-handed; instead, they have received miracles from the gracious hand of God. With the increasing number of people attending, we are planning to expand our meeting spaces to accommodate everyone. This year, we are also looking to open new Prayer Towers in several states.

The contributions we receive for the Prayer Tower cover the operational costs, including rent, utilities, and maintenance.

If you are not already involved, we invite you to join us in supporting these projects through your prayers and contributions.

Your commitment to this Prayer Tower ministry would help us to serve millions.

COME, LET'S TOGETHER WIPE AWAY THE TEARS OF MILLIONS.

Turn to page 18 to know about the different payment modes through which you can send your offerings to the Jesus Calls Ministry. Prayer in the Prayer Tower



SRI LANKA PRAYER TOWERS





I'm sixty-three years old and reside in Colombo. I used to frequently go to the Jesus Calls Prayer Tower in Bambalapitiya for the Blessing Meetings and the Anointing service. In addition to suffering from rheumatoid arthritis for 24 years, I was diagnosed with a terrible respiratory ailment that had affected me for the past ten years. I hadn't been taking any medicine, even though the agony was excruciating. Recently, I went to the anointing service. During the meeting, the servant of God mentioned that there was someone with a very critical lung condition. I knew right away that the Lord was speaking to

me. The servant of God continued to pray for my sickness, and I sensed God's presence. I felt an inner peace, knowing that I had been healed by the Lord. I visited the hospital the very next day to have my lungs checked out. Glory to God, the physician informed me that everything was well with my lungs. My prayers were heard by God. The Lord is my healer. I am so grateful to God for the Jesus Calls Ministry in Sri Lanka.

-Vasanthi Flizabeth

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| Event | Day & Time | Prayer Tower |
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| Fasting & Prayer | Wed. @ 10 am | Bambalapitiya |
| Promise Meeting | working day of the first week | Bambalapitiya |
| Blessing Meeting | Friday @ 5.30 pm | Bambalapitiya |
| Blessing Meeting | Sat. @ 9.30 am | Kandy |
| Healing Meeting | Monthly | Kandy |
| Fasting Prayer | Mon. @ 10.30 am | Jaffna |
| Blessing Meeting | Thurs. @ 10.30 am | Jaffna |
| Prayer for the nation | Wed. @ 10.30 am | Jaffna |
| Special Blessing Meeting / Youth Meeting | Once in three months | Jaffna |
| Praise & Prayer for Sri Lanka | Only in Poya days | Mattakuliya |
| Healing Meeting | Tue. @ 5.30 pm | Mattakuliya |
| Student Meeting | Every first sat. @ 5.30 pm | Mattakuliya |
| Blessing Meeting | Friday @ 10 am | Mattakuliya |
| Family Anointing meeting (via zoom) | Sun. @ 6 pm | Mattakuliya |
| Promise Meeting | Working day of the first week | Mattakkuliya |
| Esther meeting | Saturdays (01st, 03rd & 4th) | Bambalapitiya |





Forgiveness is a cornerstone of the Christian faith, a profound act reflecting God's very nature. For families, practicing forgiveness is essential to fostering love, unity, and peace.

The Bible is replete with teachings on forgiveness, emphasizing its importance and life-changing power. In the Old Testament, we see examples of God's forgiveness towards His people despite their continual disobedience. In the New Testament, Jesus' teachings and actions underscore forgiveness as a central theme.

One of the most powerful passages on forgiveness comes from the Lord's prayer, where Jesus instructs His followers to pray, "Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors" (Matthew 6:12). This

verse highlights that receiving God's forgiveness is intrinsically linked to our willingness to forgive others.

Jesus exemplified forgiveness in His ministry. He forgave those who sinned against Him, healed the sick, and cast out demons, constantly extending grace and mercy. The ultimate act of forgiveness was His sacrifice on the cross, where He bore the sins of humanity. As He was being crucified, Jesus prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing" (Luke 23:34). This profound act of forgiveness sets the standard for all believers.

In 2006, in a small Amish community in Nickel Mines, Pennsylvania, a tragic shooting occurred when a gunman entered a one-room schoolhouse, taking the lives of five young girls and injuring five others before taking his own life. The Amish community demonstrated profound forgiveness in the aftermath of this unimaginable tragedy. They reached out to the shooter's family, offering comfort and financial support, and attended his funeral. This remarkable act of grace and compassion astonished the world and highlighted the power of forgiveness. The Amish community's response exemplified the teachings of Jesus, showing that even in the face of horrific pain and loss, forgiveness can bring healing and unity.

Similarly, I have seen my father-in-law and my husband show forgiveness to the people who spread false reports about us and spoke ill of us behind our backs. I have learned to forgive and move forward because that is what God wants from His children.

Families are the bedrock of society, and forgiveness is vital to maintaining healthy, loving relationships within this fundamental unit.

Here are a few reasons why forgiveness is essential in family life:

Healing and Reconciliation: Forgiveness heals wounds and mends broken relationships. In a family, conflicts and misunderstandings are inevitable. However, forgiveness paves the way for reconciliation and restoring harmony.

Breaking the Cycle of Resentment: Holding onto grudges and resentment can create a toxic environment. Forgiveness breaks this cycle, fostering a culture of grace and understanding.

Reflecting God's Love: Family members reflect God's unconditional love by forgiving each other. This strengthens the family bond and sets a powerful example for children, teaching them to live out their faith.

How to Foster Forgiveness in Your Family?



FAMILY MEMBERS REFLECT GOD'S UNCONDITIONAL LOVE BY FORGIVING EACH OTHER

Communicate Openly: Encourage open and honest communication. When issues arise, create a safe space where each family member can express their feelings without fear of judgment or retaliation.

Practice Empathy: Try to understand the perspective of the person who hurt you. Empathy can soften your heart and make it easier to forgive.

Pray Together: Prayer is a powerful tool for seeking God's guidance and strength to forgive. Pray as a family for the ability to forgive and to be forgiven.

Model Forgiveness: Children learn by example. Show them what forgiveness looks like by forgiving your spouse, children, and others openly and sincerely.

Seek God's Help: Sometimes, forgiveness can seem impossible. In such times, seek God's help. Remember Philippians 4:13, "I can do all this through him who gives me strength." God can empower you to forgive, even when it feels beyond your capability.

Set Boundaries: Forgiveness doesn't mean allowing harmful behavior to continue. Set healthy boundaries to protect the family's wellbeing while maintaining a forgiving heart.

Forgiveness is a powerful, family-binding act vital for families' health and happiness. By embracing forgiveness, families can reflect on God's love, heal wounds, and create a nurturing environment where every member can thrive. Let forgiveness be the foundation for your family, bringing peace, unity, and a deeper understanding of God's infinite grace.

My precious partner in the ministry,

It is with deep gratitude that I celebrate our joint service to the Lord and His people through the Jesus Calls Ministry. Your generosity has been a source of encouragement and empowerment for our mission and a clear demonstration of Christ's love in action. Your role as a pillar and significant supporter of the ministry is deeply appreciated.

I am excited to share this month's promise with you, which is from Psalm 75:3,

"When the earth and all its people quake, it is I who hold its pillars firm."

Therefore, even as you make your way through difficult times, remember that you are not alone. There is a steadfast hand that will keep guiding and upholding you. Let this assurance fill you with courage and peace, empowering you to stand firm and unshaken



just as unwavering your support has been to the ministry. Embrace the challenges with faith, knowing that the One who steadies the earth is also the One who steadies your heart and guides your steps.

I would like to share with you the ministry highlights of the previous month so that we can praise our Lord Jesus and continue to pray for this month's plans to prosper for God's glory.



Praise Points

The Special Worship Service, led by my daughter Stella Ramola and my son-in-law Daniel Davidson on the evening of June 30, 2024, was a night filled with sacred songs sung by my late father, Dr. D.G.S. Dhinakaran. The gathering reminisced about his memories, which blessed and inspired them to continue to run their race faithfully.

The Bethesda Blessing Meeting, held on July 7, 2024, was marked by mighty miracles throughout every session. A blind

girl receiving sight was a miracle that moved the gathering. As a family, we are immensely grateful to the Lord for His love, showered upon His people who gathered in response to my humble prayers.

The Miracle Fasting Prayer in Vanagaram on July 13, 2024, blessed the thousands who gathered as we ministered as a family. People were provided food for their physical nourishment and left the venue with hearts full of praise. God's name was glorified through all these meetings.

Carrying the mandate of prayer
"I urge, then, first of all, that
petitions, prayers, intercession and
thanksgiving be made for all
people." (1 Timothy 2:1)

YOUR ROLE AS A PILLAR AND SIGNIFICANT SUPPORTER OF THE MINISTRY IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED

Over the past 41 years, the Jesus Calls Prayer Tower ministry has been committed to praying for the suffering people. Our anointed prayer intercessors pray day and night for those who contact the Telephone Prayer Tower and for the visitors of the Prayer Tower. Each prayer request is sent to me and I spend the early hours of each day praying for these requests. Everyday, we receive countless testimonies of lives being transformed through the sincere prayers offered for everyone who contacts the Prayer Towers. Your continued support through prayers and donations is deeply appreciated.

Uplifting People in their Career
"May the favour of the Lord our God

rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us - yes, establish the work of our hands." (Psalm 90:17)

The Job Blessing Plan will complete its fourth year on August 17th, 2024. It has been a beacon of hope for many, helping them advance in their careers. Numerous individuals have been blessed with job opportunities, promotions, desired transfers, and justice in their professional lives by enrolling in the Job Blessing Plan. Please do introduce this plan to your loved ones and help them fulfill their professional aspirations, making them a blessing to society.

Inspiring Couples
to Serve God Together
"Again I say to you, if two of you
agree on earth about anything they
ask, it will be done for them by My
Father in heaven."

(Matthew 18:19)

My mother, Sis. Stella Dhinakaran, inspired by God, initiated the Couple Esther Prayer Group, encouraging husbands and wives to pray together. Since August 5, 2017, the Couple Esther Prayer Group Ministry has faithfully gathered, following the Lord's command. Through united intercession for God's work, families and children have received abundant blessings.

Turning Partners into
Instruments of Prayer
"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."

(Colossians 4:2)

The Jesus Calls Prayer Academy and Training is designed for individuals seeking a deeper knowledge of the Lord and ministry. Certified trainers and accredited teachers are ready to lead courses onsite. Graduates of this programme are eligible to volunteer at Prayer Towers. For further information, please visit academy.prayertoweronline.org or contact us at 99401 81188.

Raising Praiseworthy Professionals
"Let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance."

(Proverbs 1:5)

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Special Days

* August 21 is a special day for our family as it marks the day when my mother, Sis. Stella Dhinakaran accepted the Lord as her personal Saviour. Please keep her in your prayers as she continues to serve the Lord

and be an inspiration to our family and millions more.

* On August 15th, which is our Independence Day, I pray and bless the nation of India to become prosperous, protected, and a land of peace, where its people flourish and come to know the saving love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Forthcoming Events

August 10, 2024 - Fasting Prayer, Vanagaram

August 25, 2024 - Special Blessing Meeting, Puducherry

September 7, 2024 – Partner's Meet, Hubbali

November 8-10, 2024 – Prayer Festival, Jagdalpur

I request you to keep the above events in your prayer and introduce your loved ones nearby to attend and be blessed. I also welcome you to support the Prayer Festival ministry and be the reason for hope in million lives.

Dear partner, I would like to end with a blessing verse for you taken from Psalm 147:14, "The Lord grants peace to your borders and satisfies you with the finest of wheat."

Let this assurance strengthen your faith and deepen your trust in the Lord. May you continue to seek His face and rely on His abundant grace, knowing that He is your provider and sustainer through every season of life. May His blessings overflow in your life, and may you always give thanks for His goodness and mercy.

Thank you once again for sharing in this ministry with us.

Your brother, who prays for you,

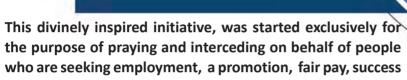
Dr. Paul Dhinakaran

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"...I will cause you to ride in triumph on the heights of the land..." (Isaiah 58:14)

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completes its fourth year of
blessing partners with
respect to their jobs and
helping them achieve their
heart's desires.



BLESSING

in competitive exams, relief from debt, favour and peace in the workplace, protection from envy, or a favourable job transfer. We have been blessed with numerous testimonies of people experiencing incredible miracles through this initiative.

Here is one such testimony of a dear sister who was blessed with a wonderful job:

LIFTED TO GREAT HEIGHTS!

As a young partner and Job Blessing Plan partner in Jesus Calls Ministry, I've experienced God's provision despite financial struggles. Initially an average student in Telugu medium, I achieved good grades and secured a government college seat for my polytechnic course. Overcoming challenges and studying in English, I completed my diploma with God's guidance. I ranked 57th in the ECET exam, joined B.Tech in Computer Science, and managed to excel in both academics and NCC Navy selections despite my asthma. Through God's strength, I learned to swim in a week and achieved an 'A' grade. Now, I've successfully joined the Indian Navy. I thank God for His miracles and express gratitude to Dr. Paul Dhinakaran and the Jesus Calls team for their prayers.

- J.Mounika, Vishakapatnam

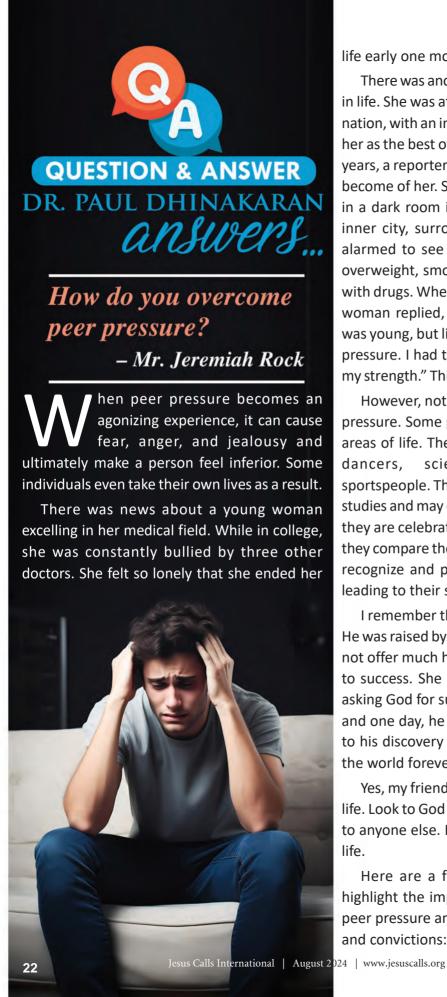
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SCAN ME



life early one morning. What a tragic end.

There was another young girl who excelled in life. She was at the top of her class and the nation, with an incredible IQ. Everyone hailed her as the best of the best. However, after 20 years, a reporter sought to find out what had become of her. Sadly, the reporter found her in a dark room in a run-down house in the inner city, surrounded by smoke. She was alarmed to see the once brilliant girl now overweight, smoking and destroying herself with drugs. When asked what happened, the woman replied, "Yes, I was brilliant when I was young, but life killed me because of peer pressure. I had to do more and more, losing my strength." This is the evil of peer pressure.

However, not everyone succumbs to peer pressure. Some people excel in their unique areas of life. They may be excellent singers, dancers, scientists, producers or sportspeople. They might not do well in their studies and may even be dropouts, but today, they are celebrated worldwide. Do you think they compare themselves to others? No, they recognize and pursue their unique talents, leading to their success.

I remember the story of Sir Isaac Newton. He was raised by his grandmother, who could not offer much help but taught him the path to success. She told him to pray every day, asking God for success. He did this faithfully, and one day, he saw an apple fall, which led to his discovery of Newton's laws, changing the world forever.

Yes, my friend, God has a purpose for your life. Look to God and never compare yourself to anyone else. Fulfill God's destiny for your life.

Here are a few Biblical examples that highlight the importance of not giving in to peer pressure and staying true to one's faith and convictions:

1. Daniel in the Lion's Den (Daniel 6)

Daniel was a high-ranking official in the kingdom of Darius. His peers, jealous of his success and favor with the king, conspired against him by convincing the king to issue a decree that anyone who prayed to any god or man other than the king would be thrown into the lion's den. Despite the decree, Daniel continued to pray to God as he always had. His faith and refusal to give in to peer pressure led to him being thrown into the lion's den, but God protected him, and he emerged unharmed. This act of steadfast faith not only

preserved Daniel's life but also demonstrated God's power and sovereignty.

2. Jesus Resisting **Temptation** (Matthew 4:1-11)

After fasting for forty days and nights in the wilderness, Jesus was tempted by Satan. The devil tried to pressure Jesus into using His divine powers to turn stones into bread, throw

Himself off the temple to be saved by angels, and worship Satan in exchange for all the kingdoms of the world. Jesus resisted each temptation by quoting Scripture and standing firm in His commitment to God's will. This example demonstrates the importance of relying on God's word and staying true to one's divine mission, even in the face of intense pressure.

3. Peter and John before the Sanhedrin (Acts 4:1-22)

After healing a lame man and preaching about Jesus, Peter and John were arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin, the Jewish

ruling council. The council demanded that they stop teaching in Jesus' name. However, Peter and John boldly replied, "Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God's sight to obey you rather than God. For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:19-20). Despite the threat of punishment, they continued to preach about Jesus, prioritizing God's command over the pressure from their religious leaders.

4. Joseph Resisting Potiphar's Wife (Genesis 39)

Joseph, sold into slavery by his brothers, rose to a position of trust in Potiphar's

household. Potiphar's wife attempted to seduce him, but Joseph refused, saying, "How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" (Genesis 39:9). Despite her repeated advances maintaining integrity, and the potential benefits of complying with her, Joseph maintained his integrity and loyalty to God, even

though it led to his imprisonment.

These Biblical examples emphasize the importance of staying true to one's faith and convictions, even when faced with intense peer pressure. By relying on God, staying grounded in Scripture, and maintaining integrity, you can overcome the challenges and temptations posed by others. These stories encourage us to trust God's plan and remain steadfast in our faith, regardless of external pressures. May God give you the strength to stand for the truth no matter how strong people try to influence you. God's grace will help you be an overcomer as you rely on His strength. God bless you.

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Dear friend, God's word to you for this month is from Psalm 34:1,
"I will extol the Lord at all times; His praise will always be on my lips."

any times, we think that worshipping is solely about singing songs to God or playing music. Often, we associate worship exclusively with music and song or believe it can only happen when we come to church or attend a prayer meeting.

However, worship isn't confined to these moments. Some find themselves worshipping well in their rooms, prayer closets, or even in the car or during moments like taking a shower or tidying up around the house. You might also

be a "bathroom singer," finding that space a sanctuary for worship. These are all different ways to worship God, and it is not confined to one space because the Bible says we are the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19).

Jesus lives in us, and we worship God with our entire being. We can worship Him anywhere and should worship Him everywhere. From now on, God is going to use you as a vessel of worship - not just on Sundays or during youth meetings, but at all times.

So, why should we worship?

* We are created to worship the Creator. As Isaiah 43:21 says, "The people I formed for Myself that they may proclaim My praise." 1 Peter 2:9 reiterates the same saying, "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light." The more we worship, the more we change in the likeness of God.

* We show our gratitude to God through worship. Gratitude is a central theme in the Bible and a fundamental aspect of worship. We

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acknowledge His goodness, provision and grace in our lives by expressing our thankfulness to God. Worship becomes powerful vehicle through which we convey our gratitude to God. In Revelation 4:11, the twentyfour elders worship God, saying, "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they were

reason for everything we have.

* We worship God because He deserves it. God is inherently worthy of worship simply because of who He is. Worshiping God is an appropriate response to His majesty and greatness. Psalm 96:4-5 says, "For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens."

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worthy of our gratitude because He is the

* We worship God because He commands it. The Bible instructs God's children to worship God. Obedience to God's commands includes the act of worship. In Deuteronomy 6:13, Moses instructs the Israelites, "Fear the Lord your God, serve Him only." This command to worship and serve God alone highlights the importance of worship as an act of obedience to God's command.

* We worship because it draws us closer to **God.** Worship is a means of drawing closer to God and experiencing His presence. It helps us to align our hearts and minds with Him. James 4:8 says, "Come near to God and He will come near to you." This verse encourages us to draw near to God, which can be achieved through worship.

* We worship because it strengthens our faith and serves as a testimony to others. Worship

> helps to reinforce our faith and trust in God. It reminds us of His power, promises, and presence in our lives. In Acts 16:25, Paul and Silas worship God through prayer and singing hymns while imprisoned. Their worship not only strengthened their faith but also impacted the other

prisoners, showing the power of worship to bolster faith even in difficult circumstances. Yes, our worship serves as a testimony to others about who God is and what He has done. It can lead others to seek and worship God as well. True worship serves as a powerful testimony to others about the nature and worthiness of God.

How do we worship?

* We read the Bible and pray - every day. God speaks to us through His Word. Every answer to our problem is in His Word. You will see His goodness in your life when you read it and live according to it daily. You will know that He cares for you. He will feed you and provide for you, just as He gave His peace, deliverance, and healing to the people in the Bible. He will give it to you too. So, we need to learn about God's

ways through His Word to recognize who He is. That's how we know and recognize who God is in our lives. Psalm 1:2 says, "But whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on His law day and night." This verse underscores the importance of finding joy in God's Word and meditating on it constantly. By reading the Bible daily, we express our worship and commitment to knowing and living according to God's guidance.

* We worship by honoring God with our words, actions and our lives. Think about the words we use when we talk to our friends. Do we speak kindly, or do we hurt them with our words? Are our actions pleasing to God?

Remember, God always watches over us, so we must honor Him in everything. Psalm 15:1-5 describes how worship requires we have clean hands, words, hearts and minds.

TO THE * We worship God by LIKENESS keeping our body holy. OF GOD Romans 12:1 says, "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God-this is your true and

proper worship." We also need to take care of ourselves because our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. Do we keep our bodies clean? Do we keep them healthy? Do we get enough sleep? Yes, even drinking coffee matters. It may seem ordinary, but when we take care of our bodies, it's an act of worship because we take care of the place where God resides. So, we must care for our bodies.

* We worship by not allowing pride to take over our hearts or anger to control us. Yes, the Bible says in Ephesians 4:29-32, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may

benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

* Another way to worship God is to serve others. This means caring for our loved ones, caring for the poor, and spending time with those in need. It's not only about caring for ourselves but also about sharing God's love with others. "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give *his life as a ransom for many.*" (Mark 10:45)

* We worship God when we follow our God given purpose. "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good **CHANGES US** works, which prepared in advance for us to do." (Ephesians 2:10) Each of us are uniquely created by God with a purpose to fulfill good works that God has already planned for us. We need to

recognize and follow the path that God has designed for our lives, thereby worshiping Him by fulfilling our purpose.

* We worship God when we live everyday with gratitude towards God. "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:18). Maintaining an attitude of gratitude in all situations is God's will for us. Living each day with thankfulness towards God acknowledges His goodness, sovereignty, and provision in our lives, thereby becoming an act of worship.

So, let's start honoring God by worshipping at all times. When you do, people will see a difference in your life.

WORSHIP





Friendship Day is a special occasion that celebrates the bond of friendship and the significance of having genuine friends in our lives. In a world where relationships can often be superficial, cultivating deep and meaningful friendships is more important than ever. For those who seek to build godly friendships, the Bible provides timeless wisdom on how to develop and nurture these bonds.

DEVELOPING GODLY FRIENDSHIPS

- 1. Love Unconditionally: At the core of godly friendship is unconditional love. In John 15:12-13, Jesus commands, "Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." This sacrificial love means putting the needs of others before our own and being willing to go the extra mile for our friends.
- 2. Be Loyal and Trustworthy: Trust is the foundation of any strong relationship. Proverbs 18:24 mentions, "One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother." Being reliable, keeping confidences, and standing by our friends in tough times build a secure and trustworthy bond.
- 3. Encourage and Edify: Friends have the power to influence each other positively. 1 Thessalonians 5:11 encourages, "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." Godly friends support each other's spiritual

growth, offering encouragement and constructive feedback. Prayer is a powerful way to bond with friends. Praying for and with each other strengthens the spiritual connection and aligns your friendship with God's will.

- 4. Forgive Freely: No relationship is free from misunderstandings or conflicts. Ephesians 4:32 advises, "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Forgiveness is essential to maintaining healthy friendships, allowing us to move past offenses and grow stronger together.
- 5. Share in Joys and Sorrows: Romans 12:15 teaches us to "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn."

 True friends are present in both good times and bad, sharing in each other's joys and providing comfort in times of sorrow.

On this Friendship Day, invest in developing godly friendships that stand the test of time. Let us strive to be the kind of friends who reflect Christ's love and bring His light into the lives of others.



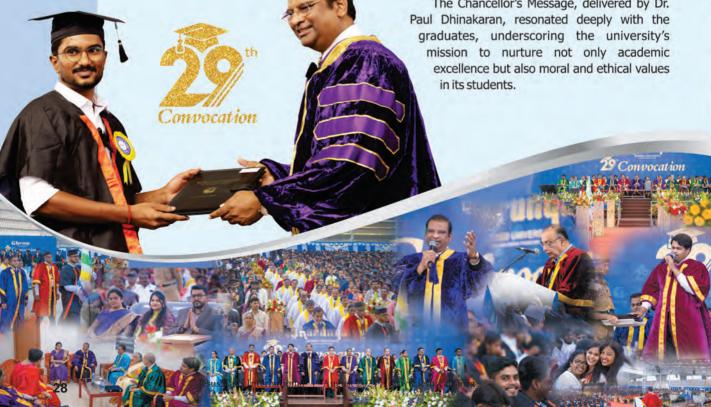
arunya Deemed University proudly hosted its 29th Convocation Ceremony, marking a significant milestone in the academic journey of its graduating students.

Dr. Paul Dhinakaran, Chancellor of Karunya University, officially opened the convocation with a

heartfelt message that emphasized the university's

The event, held at the university's scenic campus in the foothills of the Western Ghats, was a momentous occasion attended by esteemed guests, faculty, students, and their proud families.







2024 IN PROGRESS

Prof. **S.S. Mantha**, the Former Chairman (AICTE), delivered an inspiring speech, with his words of wisdom, encouraging them to embrace innovation, resilience, and purpose as they embark on their professional journeys. He highlighted the importance of perseverance and learning from failures, citing the remarkable journey of Elon Musk as a testament to the power of determination and visionary thinking.

onorary Doctor of Science (Hanaris Causa) was awarded to Dr. E. Sreedharan from Member Engineering, Railway Board (Rtd.) Former MD, Delhi Metro, while the Chancellor's Awards were presented to exceptional graduates from different disciplines - Richie Suresh Koshy, Gurram Aakash, Samuel D A, Kaviya B, Harshini R.

 $\prod_{g \text{ rad u ating gesture, the}}$ touching gesture, the graduating students immediately extended support to individuals with disabilities by donating assistive devices and wheelchairs. This act showcased their commitment to creating a positive impact.

Karunya Deemed University's 29th Convocation embodied academic excellence, social responsibility, and



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Greatness **Prayer Life!** Sister Stella Dhinakaran

The Lord Jesus Christ came to this world in the form of a human just like us and set us an example in many aspects. We read in the Bible,

"...leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps." (1 Peter 2:21)

Though being the Son of the God of gods, He became poor for our sake and experienced the sufferings and sorrows of the world. Don't we read.

"...though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich."

(2 Corinthians 8:9)

As such He also needed the guidance of the God of gods, according to His will. Hence He too had to plead to His Father through prayers, on several occasions. Shall we see about the blessings that He received by seeking the God of gods through prayer?

Early Morning Prayer

"Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and

departed to a solitary place and there He prayed." (Mark 1:35)

It is imperative that all of us follow His footsteps to have this divine life. David, who was a man subject to suffering like us, was diligent in seeking the Lord, early in the morning and sings thus:

"I have seen You in the sanctuary and beheld Your power and Your glory."

(Psalm 63:2)

Yes, David, a man subject to suffering like us and the Lord Jesus sought the God of gods in all reverence, early in the morning. Do we also rise up early in the morning and seek the Lord? Let us examine ourselves. Instead, today, the people, who do not seek Him with reverence, are fond of slumber and are eager to sleep for a long time. The reason, they do not have an iota of godly reverence in them. The purpose of their lives is to eat, sleep and dress up. As a result, they do not have the Lord's blessings in their lives. Instead, they live in sorrows and misery.

Dear ones, if you too have failed to give importance to this 'early morning prayer life' and have ignored it, kindly humble yourself today before the Lord. Then He would 'awaken you morning by morning' as seen Isaiah 50:4.

A young woman sought the Lord casually without any godly reverence and lived far away from Him, without any prayer life. However, the Lord graciously pulled her towards Him and filled her with godly fear. Hence, she began to seek

Him in all reverence. As she thus sought the Lord, He filled her with more and more blessings and changed her into a prayer warrior and as a vessel of blessing to many others. Lam this woman!

PRAYER BEFORE GOING TO BED

experience!

The Lord Jesus went out to the mountain to pray and continued all night in prayer to God (Luke 6:12). Even today, many servants of God, who have a true relationship with God, have this divine life of praying throughout the night. This is a highly glorious and excellent

All human beings ought to follow this practice of kneeling down and seeking the Lord in prayer, before going to bed. It is very important that we think of the good things that the Lord has done or given for us on that day and we thank Him for that. We sing,

"Count your blessings name them one by one And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done" Accordingly, when we count the blessings that we have received from God on that day and thank Him and glorify Him, He would look at our grateful heart and be delighted over us. Hasn't He said,

"Whoever offers praise glorifies Me..."
(Psalm 50:23)

Also, when we thus keep praising and thanking Him with our whole heart and mind, His grace would abound in us. The Lord will help us to have a good sleep and rest. We would enjoy the blessing of the

Lord, according to the promise, "For so He gives

His beloved sleep" (Psalm 127:2). We read in Psalm 55:17 that David, the man of God, prayed "evening and morning and at noon." As a result, the Lord blessed his life abundantly. Proverbs 10:22 says, "The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it." Accordingly, despite the countless problems and pains in his life, the Lord was with him and 'crowned him with glory and honour' till the end

(Psalm 8:5). In the same way, He would grant us also His divine peace and joy.

OFFER SACRIFICE OF PRAISE ALWAYS AND AT ALL TIMES

"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth." (Psalm 34:1)

In the days, when the Lord Jesus was on this earth, multitude of people came to Him seeking to hear His words and receive His blessings. Once, when nearly 5000 people had thus gathered, out of concern that they

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God will manifest His glory through everyone, who pleads to Him with thirst and longing

would be tired of hunger while going back, He ordered His disciples to give them food. After that, when He took the meager food brought by His disciples, in His hands, looked up to heaven, and blessed it and gave it to the people, a great miracle took place. We read about this in Matthew 14:15-21.

Yes dear ones, the Word of God teaches us,

"For every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer."

(I Timothy 4:4,5)

Today, how many of us pray to God to bless the food items that we take before consuming them? Most of the families do not have the habit of dining together, as a family. Neither do they have the habit of praising and praying together for the food to be blessed by the Lord. What a pitiable and faulty life!

Dearly beloved, you, who have understood this truth today, should henceforth praise the Lord and pray to Him to bless your food before consuming it. Then it would be sanctified by Him. And the Lord would protect you from all harm. Also, even if it might be of a small quantity, it would enrich and nourish you, when the Lord blesses it.

LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN, WITH THANKSGIVING

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God." (Philippians 4:16)

Perhaps, your heart is filled with burdens and worries and you are floundering not knowing what to do. At such

times, you should count the good things that the Lord has done for you, as read in the above verse and thank Him with your whole heart. Then He would wonderfully fill you with His divine peace. When you cast all your care upon Him, He would surely care for you and answer you. Doesn't the Bible say beautifully,

"Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you?" (I Peter 5:7)

PRAYER, OFFERED IN FAITH

"And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."

(Matthew 21:22)

What do we read in I John 5:4? 'And this is the victory that has overcome the world – faith'. Abraham was a man, who was in a pitiable state as he had no child. Yet he became victorious through his faith. In faith, he says in Romans 4:17, "God, who calls those things which do not exist as though they did." When was he strengthened in faith and received blessings?

"But was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, being fully convinced that what He had promised, He was also able to perform." (Romans 4:21)

In Romans 4:18 we read that Abraham fully believed what was spoken to him by God, "So shall your descendants be." At that time, he was in a state where he could not become the father of nations. He was well advanced in age and his wife Sarah was also old, having passed the age of child bearing. Yet, Abraham's strong faith and his

complete trust on the Lord enabled him to receive the blessing promised by the Lord.

My dear ones, you may be in tears and agony because of various needs and lacks in your life. Like Abraham, you should also read the Scriptures diligently and wait on Him with faith, holding onto the promise of the Lord. The Bible says in Hebrews 11:6, 'Without faith it is impossible to please Him'. 'Ask God in full assurance of faith' (Hebrews 10:22). Surely, the failures and

wants in your life shall be changed and you shall be filled with the abundant blessings

of the Lord.

As I often say, in the initial days of our married life, we had several needs and were ridiculed by people. Yet, even in that state of emptiness, we fixed our eyes, not on people but on the Lord, held on to His promises and prayed to Him with reverence. The Lord had mercy on

miraculously met all our needs, filled us with His rich blessings and crowned us with 'loving kindness and tender mercies'.

us,

A PRAYER LIFE OF PRAYING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

"But you beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life." (Jude 20,21)

The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity. We see in the Bible that as an example for us, God filled His own Son Jesus with this divine blessing.

"how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him." (Acts 10:38)

Even today, the Lord would abundantly fill all those who ask Him for this experience with thirst and desire and manifest His glory and power through them.

In the Bible, the Lord Jesus, followed by His disciples, received this divine experience and lived a life of fruit yielding. Brother.

Dhinakaran too wanted this life and

earnestly prayed for it, for 7 long years. The Lord, who heard his plea, filled him with the Holy Spirit and His power, during the night family prayer held at our house, granted him the gifts of the Spirit and transformed him into a mighty servant of God. After him, the Lord granted this glorious life to all of us, the family. Hence, today, He has given us the privilege of doing

"If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him." (Luke 11:13)

According to this promise, you should also pray for this personally and as a family. The Lord will surely hear your plea. He will give you a fruit yielding life.

Kindly read this message again and again and offer the prayers mentioned here and get filled with the divine blessings given by the Lord. Also, you shall live for His glory, bear fruits for Him and thus glorify His name!

When we thank

the Lord for the

blessings we have

received and

glorify Him,

He will be pleased

with us



WHERE
THE
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FOR!

The plight of the elderly, especially those from the downtrodden sections of society, is often pathetic. Their lack of necessary resources, loneliness, and the feeling of being unloved have a negative impact on their lives, exacerbating their existing vulnerabilities.

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