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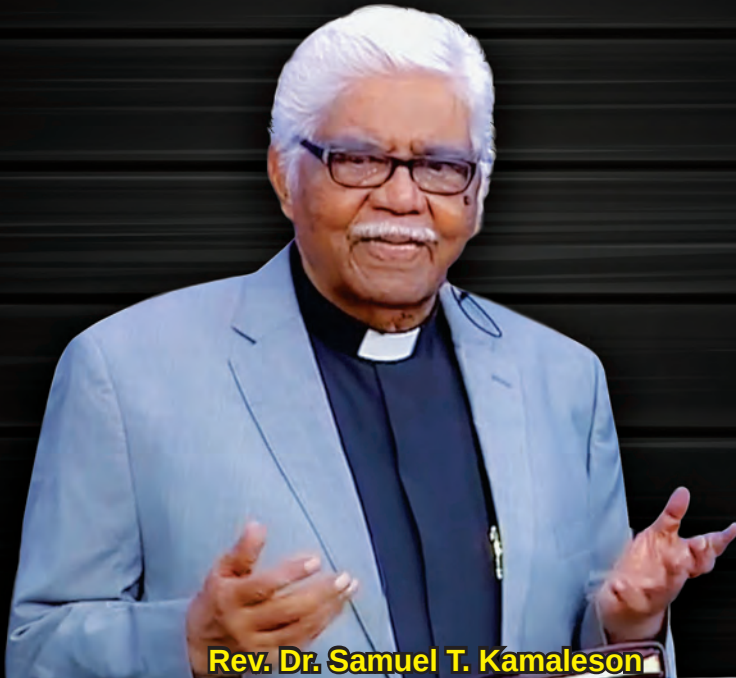
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The memory of the righteous is blessed

(Proverbs 10:7)



Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Kamaleson

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*Thank God for the life of our President Emeritus and architect of FMPB,
who is known for his magnanimity and excellence in leadership.
Affectionately called as 'Annan' (big brother) by three generations!*

Friends Focus

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Let Missional Legacy Continue...!

Frontline...

For the Christian, the legacy we leave is the fruitful life we led in the past. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a martyr and theologian once said, "A righteous man is one who lives for the next generation." We actually see in Scripture that this mindset has always been God's plan for

passing on His truth from generation to generation. The Psalmist says - "We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, His power, and the wonders He has done." [Psalm 78:5]

Jesus' legacy has had more impact on the world than any individual in history. The legacies Jesus left behind were His Word (teaching) and His Church (a few hundred people). And these two legacies changed the course of history. The legacy of Jesus Christ's life, death, and resurrection stands as an undeniable testament to all of humanity (Acts 2:36; 4:12; Romans 5:8-11). Before His departure from the world, Jesus prepared His disciples for the trials and persecutions that are to come and encouraged, and warned them that there are many opportunities to hear legacies and create legacies that will draw us off course from where God intends for us to be. As the time of His departure drew near, He redoubled His efforts to ensure the disciples understand His mission (Matthew 16:13-21); the coming of the Holy Spirit after His ascension gave them the power to carry it out. "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." (John 20:21) Yes, there is nothing in the world more precious than souls and no greater legacy than souls won for Christ.

As Paul pondered at the end of his life, he made three very simple statements about his legacy. He had 'fought the good fight' - standing firm as a spiritual warrior, clothed in the armour of God, faithfully defending the truth of the Gospel.

We, the Christians are called to leave a legacy of fruit bearing life for the generation to come. Long after the Lord would call us into eternity, our legacies, the memories about us among our friends and families will continue. In the book of Revelation we read, *And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on."* "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, *"that they may rest from their labours, for their deeds follow them!"* (Rev. 14:13). The value of the legacy is depending on the quality of life we lead while we are living on this earth.

As new generations come, the old ones and all leaders enter into oblivion. Our beloved President - Emeritus Rev. Dr. Sam Kamaleson of FMPB has left the values of the Kingdom of God exemplified through his life and ministries which contributed to the furtherance of the Kingdom of God that motivates us to lead the "Family of Jesus" for the glory of God.

- JJ. Harris (Communication Dept.)

“God proved His love on the Cross. When Christ hung, and bled, and died, it was God saying to the world, ‘I love you.’”
- Billy Graham

“Before we can begin to see the cross as something done for us, we have to see it as something done by us.”
- John R.W. Stott

“All of heaven is interested in the cross of Christ, hell afraid of it, while men are the only ones to ignore its meaning.”
- Oswald Chambers



I want to know Christ-yes, to know the power of His resurrection and participation in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. - Paul (Phil.3:10)

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FROM THE GENERAL SECRETARY...

Dear Elders, Brothers, Sisters
and Children

Greetings in our Lord's name!

The passion week, when we recall the events leading up to the sufferings of Jesus on the cross does not culminate in the Good Friday event but in Easter. The suffering and pain we undergo in this world is ephemeral while the glory that is to be revealed in us is eternal. Apostle Paul in II Corinthians 4:17 & 18 writes, "For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary but what is unseen is eternal."

Dr. Samuel T. Kamalesan

The pain of losing our dear ones and leaders whom we looked up to bears heavily on us and grieving for them is but natural. However grieving alone becomes futile when we fail to live up to the values, hard work and qualities of their heads and hearts that set them apart from others. We grieve the loss of one of the tallest mission leaders of

our times and one of our earliest founding fathers, Dr. Samuel Theodore Kamalesan whose guidance and leadership for about four decades under the sovereign Lordship of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ shaped and defined this movement called FMPB. Beyond grieving and yearning for those glorious days gone by let us commit ourselves to carrying on with their legacy, not stopping with that but going beyond and leaving something behind that our posterity can live by. This edition of the magazine is dedicated to his legacy.

Farewell

This will be the last time that I would be writing as General Secretary. My five year term comes to an end on March 31 and it is with much joy and happiness that I welcome Rev. John Berlin as he formally takes over as the next General Secretary from the first of April. I had already introduced him in last month's letter of mine. We as a family look forward to returning to Haryana to continue with the ministry through FMPB there.

Yours in Christ

S. Sutharsan Thomas Jeyaraj



The Cross and the Resurrection

There is something paradoxical about the Cross. It was not just a symbol of death, but something more than that. It is about death and life, hate and love, violence and peace, accusation and forgiveness, sin and purity, brokenness and wholeness, all is lost yet everything is gained, destruction and restoration, defeat and victory. It was an instrument of cruellest form of execution, now it is a symbol of abundant life.

The Cross is the means of expression referring to the unique nature of the sacrifice Christ Jesus made for the entire humanity. In the first century cross was known as a symbol of despair, death and destruction. Jesus, reverses that into a symbol of victory by his death and resurrection. The greatness of the power of cross is that even today it transforms the weakest of any one in a society to manifest God's power. Today we are participating in this great mission to witness this transforming power of cross. Every day so many rich and poor people, eminent and the ordinary, the powerful, the neglected and marginalised are being transformed through the power of the Cross.

The Cross has the Power to Set Men Free:

People carry in their hearts an incredible load of anxiety and fear because of guilt. This is normal because all men are guilty

of sin. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, Romans 3:9-12; 23. All are guilty, and this problem has moved people to seek relief from the mental, emotional, and physical ravages caused by the effects of sin. Social reform, new philosophies, escape through drugs, magic, even denial ("I have no sin"), all of these and more have been tried to remove the cause of guilt, which is sin. Cross effectively eliminates the root cause: sin itself. And He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness for by His wounds you were healed. I Peter 2:24

In the Old Testament when the priest would offer up an animal as sacrifice for someone's sins, he would first lay hands upon the animal as a symbol that a transfer was taking place (Leviticus 4:13-21). The sins of the individual were being transferred to the animal, and the animal was being slain in order to symbolize that the payment for the moral price of sin, which is death, was paid (Lev. 4:15-17). With the sin symbolically transferred to the animal, and the animal then sacrificed (sacrificed because death was the way through which something was transferred from the physical realm to the spiritual realm) the person was thus cleansed from the burden of guilt caused by sin.

Jesus, the perfect and innocent lamb, taking on the sins of all men (not symbolically, but literally), and then offering up His sinless and eternal being in a sacrifice on the cross in order to

make moral payment for all sin, for all time. His sacrifice is good enough and valuable enough to exchange for all human life.

People are attracted to the cross because they see in it the place where they can transfer all of their sins and be released from their guilt. Repent and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Acts 2:38

The Cross gives us power and desire to live a righteous life:

The cross has the power to create in a person the love and desire for what is good, right, true, and pure. Even though a person cannot achieve perfection on this earth, the cross of Christ gives him a thirst for it. No law can produce this in one's heart. No threats of punishments can make me to do what is right and good. No amount of self-discipline or will power can make a person to naturally desire for righteousness. However, the cross of Christ is attractive because it has the power to create this desire in the human heart.

For while we were in the flesh, the sinful passions, which were aroused by the Law, were at work in the members of our body to bear fruit for death. But now we have been released from the Law, having died to that by which we were bound, so that we serve in newness of the Spirit and not in oldness of the letter. Romans 7:5-6

Before accepting Christ men craved after evil and the pleasures of sin. But after believing in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross a hunger and thirst arose for righteous living. Sin was aroused by law but the spirit is aroused

because of the Cross. Moreover, the cross makes us abandon forever our futile attempts to be good and justify ourselves through works, and the desire to be good and righteous as He is good and righteous.

There are many things in the world that will change a person's appearance, even his state of mind, but only the cross of Christ has the power to change a person's heart. Human desire is to serve self, but the desire of those who trust in the cross of Christ Jesus changes to serve God.

The Cross communicates the message that 'we are loved':

One of the common issues found in diverse problems such as teen suicide, depression, alcohol and drug abuse, and marriage breakdown is the problem of low self-esteem. Sometimes people just don't like themselves very much. They worry about their worth as human beings, and have trouble in connecting with others because of poor self-esteem.

Children who grow up believing they're not ok become angry, depressed, frightened and so it is with insecure adults who often end up raising the same kind of kids. But the cross of Jesus Christ has the power to finally break this cycle because it loudly and clearly says, For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

For while we were still helpless, at the right time God died for the ungodly. For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us,

in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:6-8

No longer do I call you slaves for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father, I have made known to you. John 15:15

The cross draws men because it has the power to convince them that no one has ever loved them in this way before or ever again. Even if our personal history is filled with people and events that have told us that we're not worthy of love, the cross of Christ stands as an eternal witness that no matter what: God loves us. So long as we keep our focus on the cross we'll never doubt that we're ok with Him.

The Cross invites believers for wilful humility:

Christ's death was an act of his will. In Philippians 2:7-8, Paul states that Jesus humbled himself in obedience to die a criminal death on the Cross. He willed his flesh, mind, and emotions to die on the Cross. Galatians 2:20 says that we have been crucified with Christ. As believers, we are to die to our will and our prayers should be, "Not My will, Yours be done." Being in the will of God is not a passive resignation. It is an invitation for believers to live a life of surrendering ourselves fully to God's will. This should be explicit in our personal, family, church, mission and public life. This means nothing to bring glory to our name but to glorify God. Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. Matthew 16:24

Cross invites believers to suffer for Him:

Death by crucifixion was the most degrading form of punishment during Jesus' time (Galatians 3:13). The death Jesus Christ died on the cross was one of absolute torture. We cannot even imagine all the pain that Jesus was forced to endure for our sake. Scourged - Matt. 27:26, Beaten - Luke 22:63-64, Spit upon - Matt. 27:30, Beard Plucked from His Face - Isa. 50:6, Mocked - Matt. 27:26-29 and Stripped Naked - Matt. 27:35

Lord Jesus who died a shameful death on the cross invites all believers who involves in His mission to suffer persecution (Galatians 5:11; 6:12). The Cross is an offence to the natural man, but all who love the cross needs to preach it and will suffer persecution. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. Luke 14:27. Nowadays many of our brothers and sisters who are new believers, church elders, evangelists and missionaries face persecution in one way or the other.

Hope of Resurrection:

If cross is the end of Jesus Christ, we need not bother about the message of the Cross. But Jesus rose again. No power on earth could stop it. Jesus foretold it many times. His enemies were well aware of the fact and tried to negate it. Many mighty powers in the past came against this truth, but couldn't succeed against it. Our trust in the cross gives us hope for the resurrection and everlasting life. Let us be His instrument to take this message of love and hope.

- Rev. Franklin Yesupatham
*FMPB Secretary - North India
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Life and legacies of Rev. Dr. Samuel Theodore Kamaleson

B.V.Sc., B.D., Th.M., D.Th, D.D.

Dr. Samuel Theodore Kamaleson was one of the world's leading evangelists from India. He was a gifted leader with Charisma and attractive base voice. He was born to Job Sunderesan and Lily Sunderesan on 18th November 1930 at Vellore. When he was born, his mother Lily encountered some problem and the baby was not crying soon after its birth. Hence the Dr. Mrs. Thomas, who delivered the baby, gave a strong blow on his back which made the baby crying with a loud and powerful voice. Dr. Ida Scudder on her rounds through the delivery ward at CMC, commented; "Who is this? What a powerful voice he has"; on hearing the baby boy's powerful voice. Who would have thought then, that his voice would reverberate across the globe proclaiming the Good news of the Kingdom of God and sing to the Glory of the King of kings Jesus Christ?

Kamaleson's father G. Job Sunderesan was working as an inspector of schools. When he was hardly four years old his father passed away in 1934 of a ruptured appendicitis. His mother Lily Kamaleson earned her living as a sewing teacher and reared Samuel T. Kamaleson with great sacrifice.

Kamaleson had his education at E.R. High School and Bishop Heber High School in Trichy while his mother was working in Savitri Vidhyalaya. Soon after finishing his intermediate studies at American College in Madurai, his mother reminded Kamaleson of her vow to dedicate the child to become a servant of God while they were coming out of the Fort Church in Trichy one day after the Sunday worship service. Immediately the boy Kamaleson responded negatively. With deep sadness she turned to God for help. Her incessant prayers yielded the desired result while Kamaleson was studying in the Madras Veterinary College.

Beginning of Spiritual Journey:

Kamaleson, although belongs to 7th generation in Christian tradition, he did not have the salvation experience and was led to the Lord by his roommate Shankara Narayanan while studying at Madras Veterinary College. He was nurtured spiritually through Dr. Norton Sterrett the pioneer missionary representing the IFES in India and Prof. Enoch. He became the first president of the Madras Inter Collegiate Evangelical Union. **He believed small groups, when committed to a cause has the power to transform an individual and as well as the society.**

Along with his buddies Theodore Williams, Frederick Gokkavi, and Freddy David, young Sam Kamaleson helped P. Samuel, the Peria Annaachi, (Big Brother) in conducting VBS which was floated in 1952. They understood that ministry among the children is the best opportunity to hone up ones skills as an empathic listener and communicator of the Gospel.



P Samuel, Theo Williams, Freddie David, Freddie Gokavi and Sam Kamaleson VBS team 1955.

A Veterinarian turned an Evangelist & Pastor:



Samuel Kamaleson married Adela Sylvia Indrani Balraj on 27 May 1953 and they led a happy life. Initially, he was working among the children, students and preaching the Gospel on Madras streets. In 1956 Dr. Billy Graham preached at the Doveton Corrie School's ground, Chennai. Mr. & Mrs. Kamaleson, who were part of the counseling team during the historical evangelistic campaign, were thrilled to seeing people led to the Lord through their personal counseling. On seeing souls won through their ministries, Adela gave the green signal to opt for full time service. In 1957 he earned his first degree of Bachelor in Veterinary Science. In same year he explored the avenues for joining the full time ministries.

Seeing their commitment, the Methodist missionary to North Karnataka, Pastor J.T. Seamonds encouraged Sam Kamaleson to go for studies at Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky, USA. With much prayer they boarded the ship and Kamaleson earned his

Degree of Master of Divinity in 1960. Through this study he conceptualized holistic approach to mission and later applied in his ministry. He dreamt of opening up a farm which generates resources for evangelism and community transformation in India.

His dream came true in the form of **Bethel Agricultural Fellowship** near Salem. He became the President and Chairman of Bethel Board in 1962. He also gave due credit to P. Samuel for developing the Bethel Agricultural Fellowship. Then Bethel expanded to include a hospital, school, library, and farm. His tireless efforts to move around and in keeping up his schedules of preaching and singing for His Master paved the way for more opportunities. After seven years of marriage, Kamalesons were blessed with two sons namely Sunder Raj Mark and Manoharan Paul and daughter Nirmala.



Kamaleson began his career as a pastor at Methodist Church in 1961 and held it for seven years and again from 1971 to 1974. The EMC Church experienced growth and renewal through his inspiring messages. Youngsters fascinated with his booming voice, singing and oratorical skills in English were flocking to the Church. People used to stand in queue in order to receive encouraging words of counseling and prayer from the Pastor. In 1963 he took the position of Evangelist at large of the Methodist Church of Southern Asia.

Then he moved again to earn a doctorate in theology from Asbury seminary. He also earned his doctorate in Theology from Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia in 1971. He was conferred with an honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity by Asbury Theological Seminary in 2003.

As FMPB President:

He took the reins of leading FMPB as its President from Theodore Williams in 1962. In 1968 FMPB was registered as a religious society with Dr. Samuel T. Kamaleson as its President, Mr. Emil Jebasingh as General Secretary and Patrick Joshua as its Treasurer. He played a large role in shaping up the Friends Missionary Prayer Band as a movement with his 'Thambis' and 'Thangachis,' (younger brothers and sisters) sold out for the Lord and to reaching India with the Gospel with Indian resources and Indian personal. **Taking into consideration of the prevailing cultural and social milieu after the independence of India he always insisted the fraternity of FMPB to rely only on God and mobilize resources only from India even though he had wider international exposure.**



Dr. Kamaleson used to say that FMPB and Bethel Agricultural Fellowship are his two eyes. The Annual Convention held at Bethel campus in Danishpet, Salem saw him visiting year after year sharing the Word of God which brought spiritual renewal to the Tamil Christian community and thus he helped to build and expand the launching pad for missions in India. **His individual concern over people, calling them many by name and his mentoring abilities drew more and more people towards God and help them grow as matured Christians and leaders. As a result innumerable youngsters have stepped into the ministry as grass root level workers and several of them are placed in positions of leadership in various capacities.**

His Leadership in Global Level:

In 1974 Dr. Kamaleson led the plenary sessions in the International Congress on World Evangelization held at Lausanne in Switzerland. In the same year he was requested to take up the leadership in World Vision International. He was the first Indian to be

appointed as one of the Vice-Presidents of World Vision International from 1974 to 1996 and he held various responsibilities during that period. He travelled across the globe strengthening the pastors cutting across various denominations nationalities, cultures and languages, sorting out their differences and brought unity among the people of God. His encouraging words and prayers made the people to stand firm in Christian faith.

Moreover, Dr. Kamaleson risked his life in stepping into unknown territories and reached out people. He was able to preach and conduct workshops in communist countries. He also met with danger in Central America where he encountered armed rebels on back roads in El Salvador who prayed over him and allowed him to continue on his journey to preach the Word. He was also a frequent speaker at the annual Maramon convention in Kerala, India. **Some estimate that Sam has spoken to more Church leaders in more countries than anyone in the world.**

He is the author of four books namely 'Christ Alive is Man Alive,' 'Vaazhlvikum Christhu' (Life Giving Jesus) in Tamil, 'Happy: Married or Single' and 'The Transforming Power of Jesus.' Moreover he has contributed for recording many albums in English & Tamil.

Church & Mission Relationship:

Dr. Kamaleson played a major role in the FMPB relationship with the Church and other organizations. Under his leadership many sister concerns like NSM, FES were raised. And he had a good relationship with the many Bishops in South and North and North East Christian leaders that helped the Christian leaders to know about FMPB and its ministry. As a result, many Churches and other organizations like EFFICOR, Bethel, BBI etc worked together with FMPB.

His meetings in Ahmadabad held at CNI Raighad campus in the year 2000 brought a great revival. He played vital role in integrating 211 Churches planted by the missionaries of FMPB with the CNI Gujarat Diocese. The CNI leaders representing the CNI Synod and the Gujarat Diocese were elated to see the stature, magnanimity and commitment of Dr. Kamaleson in leading the mission through various phases and executing its policy of not to become a separate Church but to remain as an arm of the Church quite true to its stated policy, publicized way back in the sixties. His presence during the Vasava Silver Jubilee Conference held at Moramba village on the borders of Maharashtra and Gujarat was a great motivation to all the believers, evangelists and the missionaries.

On his last day as the President of FMPB on 31 May 2009 he was busy ministering the word of God when 57 Churches in the Kandesh region was integrated with the Mumbai Conference of the Methodist Church in a formal celebration even though the MOU was finalized in January 2009 in the presence of then Bishop Elias Samuel.

After 2009 Dr. Sam Kamaleson, as President Emeritus of FMPB he continued his active contribution by participating in the Pastors conferences and other special meetings during his visits to India. The most memorable one was the CNI Bishops conference

organized in the year 2015 in the middle of the month of May at the CNI Synod Bhavan in New Delhi where he encouraged the Bishops to open their dioceses for strategic collaboration in which various mission leaders also participated to think through the ways and means to improve our relationship and understanding.

Handling Grief:

Kamaleson was literally shaken when his daughter Nirmala's son Jonathan Loisel died in 1998 at very young age. His beloved wife Adela went to be with the Lord on a Sunday, 23 June 2013. His youngest son Manohar lost his life in a bomb blast at Afghanistan on 14th January 2019. **On Mano's funeral service Dr. Kamaleson stepped into the pulpit and stared straight into the eyes of the mourners and said silently, "I know where he is gone and he is fine." He also said that he has forgiven all those responsible for the bomb blast.**

Last Days:

The last FMPB program he attended in India was the installation of the General Secretary Rev. Sutharsan Thomas on 1st March 2016 and gave an inspiring message even though we were able to notice the signs of his aging. He bid his farewell to his earthly life on 28th February 2021 to be in the presence of God. The funeral service was held at Community Bible Church at Savannah, GA on March 12th at 10.00 a.m (EST), Georgia, USA.

Samuel Kamaleson has spent almost six decades inspiring and teaching generations of young evangelists and mission leaders across the globe. **Dr. Kamaleson's deep love for his Saviour Jesus Christ was visible not only in his sayings but also in his behavior. He stressed more on the values of the Kingdom of God and the King of kings Jesus Christ. His preaching was focused on reconciling people with God and with one another.**



He practiced what he preached when he said, "In the 'Kingdom' forgiving an offender is not a sign of weakness but strength." He was honored for his flawless character. He valued his family and ministry above his career interests - a pugilist, a passionate cricket fan and the one who never missed his fitness workout schedule until physical debilities prevented him from engaging in such activities. A great role model indeed. God's name was glorified throughout his life well lived and also when he finished it well. Let us emulate his passion for his Master, love for the Kingdom of God and the spiritual legacies he has left behind.

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Punchlines from the Pugilist

(Quotes of
Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Kamaleson)



God & Us:

- ☀️ On Friday they crucified and buried the Truth. The entire cosmos was silent. On Saturday, they believed that the truth is buried once for all. The entire cosmos was silent. On Sunday the Truth was resurrected. Lies cannot survive more than a week end!
- ☀️ The Heaven rejected Jesus - The earth also rejected Him. But He fulfilled the Will of God.
- ☀️ The governance of Jesus is to make His Will mine own.
- ☀️ The Word and the need to be fused into one. Only Jesus abounded in this.
- ☀️ There can be a rebirth in this birth.
- ☀️ When the prodigal son came to his senses, what he felt when he was about to put his hand in the pig's food was that, "I am not a pig, the food is meant for the pig, not for me, I am a man, I have a father, I have a home." [To lead a life of repentance, eye opening, self realization and clear consciousness are mandatory]
- ☀️ The Holy Spirit can control anybody's life that yields to Him. A family can come under control of the Holy Spirit. A team, community also can come under the Holy Spirit.

Unity & Relationship:

- ☀️ Many people are suffering because others have rejected them. This King will accept anyone. That truth will effect inner healing.
- ☀️ When we nurture the wounds that were inflicted upon us by others, then it will turn bitter. When bitterness overtakes, it will rule us. So wounds should cause reconciliation, not bitterness.

☀️ We have been comforted by God. We have been healed but the scar remains there. When you come across such persons you know how you suffered and how you were healed. Without empathy you cannot contextualize. We are really wounded healers. Empathy comes by love for people and being honest with your own experience. Every experience you have gone through can be helpful in helping others.

☀️ Fear is simply a misplaced trust.

☀️ You yourself should be the means of Grace. In you the troubled person should see the serenity of the King.

☀️ Compassion is a spontaneous activity sprouting from us even before we think.

☀️ Dedication is the opening of palms and arms down with a deep love to offer ourselves for total surrender.

☀️ We gaze at the Trinity when we work with Him. What the Trinity creates in us is cohesiveness. Love one another like this. The model is Jesus himself not the fractured world.

Kingdom of God:

☀️ Authority, Status Divisions are not the values of the Kingdom of God.

☀️ Prestige is a destructive quality. Servant hood is the style of the Kingdom. In the Kingdom he does not give out service but he is the servant.

☀️ In the Kingdom forgiving an offender is not a sign of weakness but strength.

☀️ In the Kingdom there is a fellowship that understands. It is much more than the friendship. In fellowship we can do things that others cannot do. Nothing can separate us. In spite of issues like male vs. female, Jews vs. Arabs, Sikhs vs. Hindus, Catholics vs. Protestants, Irish vs. English, White vs. Blacks, problem of castes in our country are prevailing there is a fellowship with love.

☀️ Working with God is a life of simplicity. It does not depend on geography. It is not geography that determines simplicity but the relationship.

Church & Mission:

☀️ On the day of Pentecost, God inaugurated both the Church and the Mission together, emphasizing the importance of the Church and the Mission to work together and complementing each other in serving the society at large.

☀️ When one's purpose clashes with the other, there will be no permanent results.

☀️ The Church is locked up inside with negativism. But Jesus came inside passing through the closed doors.

- ☀️ The signs, wonders and preaching all go together. The Church is divided on this. Each one magnifies the other. All the departments will work together. We need one another when we are with Him.
- ☀️ How do I spend my time, treasure and talents? Do I invest them for liberation of the people or for my own increment?
- ☀️ No tree eats its own fruits. Fruits are not for my consumption but for others.
- ☀️ Human being is more important than any institution. It is even more important than the Church. If the Church cares more for its preservation than the mankind, then it is lost.
- ☀️ Does the good dies with the good man when the good man dies? The King is alive. The good you do with God will never die.
- ☀️ Let us live for others to the extent that we do not have anything for ourselves.
- ☀️ Our assets should not hold us. Instead we need to hold our assets and subdue them.
- ☀️ Only what we invest on people which brings the desired results alone shall be called the right investment.

CARNIVAL KAKINADA 2021



God enabled us to organize Carnival on 11th March 2021 at Craig Memorial Church, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh As we moved forward with planning and prayer meetings the path for organising seemed challenging and demanding during these unprecedented times. But by God's grace we received an overwhelming response on that day and people made generous contributions towards the cause of mission among the Malto children. Our heartfelt thanks go to God, the leaders of the organisation for their co-operation, Rev. Stalin Jeeva and Sister Rani who came from Jharkhand for the event and to all the people who came to show their kindness and generosity towards Malto children. May all praise and glory be to God!

- Pas. Sam Benny,
Hon. Mobilization Secretary



Tributes to Rev. Dr. Sam Kamaleson

Rev. Dr. Sam Kamaleson was a mentor, counsellor, preacher, king maker, singer and so on. He served as the President of FMPB for 47 years that has to be engraved in the history of Indian Missions in golden letters. We present here the excerpts of the rich tributes paid by a few of his close associates of this great man for the glory of God and blessing to many.

Washing the feet of others to reach consensus in the committees!

A boxer became a pastor. The only child of a young needy praying widow from a small town became a global preacher and teacher. Kamaleson did not stop with becoming a leader. He developed hundreds of second line leaders. Despite his functional and spiritual authority Kamaleson seldom drove committees to his plans and ideas. He strived hard and long for consensus. That included occasional feet washing of the committee members. Kamaleson's vision for the Kingdom was much larger than his own ministry and responsibilities on hand.

Dr. Ebe Sunder Raj

Former Director, FMPB - Mission Fields, Former Head-IMA; Founder-CIM

Not ashamed of the Gospel even in his college days:

In 1957, I met Kamaleson when he was a final year student of the Madras Veterinary College in which I joined as the first year student. In a public college meeting, he came and sang a song - *"It is not a secret what God can do what he has done for others he will do for you."* Hearing the song, even all who have gathered there were touched by God. During the college days, he was also a boxer. In a boxing game, he was asked to face an opponent who came from Madras Engineering College, Guindy during that time. His opponent was very strong and arrogant and he was known for weight lifting and body building. He did boxing with him and won him even in the first round itself. I asked Kamaleson, how did you win the strong boxer. He replied, I just remembered the Bible verse - "God opposes the arrogant but gives grace to the humble"[James 4:6] and I imbibed the verse in me. I didn't know, how I got the power to win over him." Even in the secular events, he confessed his faith and he was not ashamed of the Gospel.

- **Dr. Chandra Sekar**, Former Vice President - FMPB & Founder - NSM

Trained me in Outreach Ministry:

I met him in 1969 at FMPB Annual Meet when I was just 29 years old. Through his preaching in that meeting, people like me committed to live for Christ. He said, we, the FMPB is one family and we all should work for our Heavenly Father, as annan, acca, thambi and thangachchi. In the year 1970, we as young people lived in his house for few days during that time, he was the Pastor in Emmanuel Methodist Church. He used to make a call to many in order to come for the outreach ministry in and around Chennai central railway station. Many Methodist pastors, Rev. G.S. Mohan and many good singers join along with him in the outreach ministry. They sang songs in the streets and when the people gather to hear the songs, he used to proclaim the Gospel. I too joined and he asked me to share my testimony. He trained me to preach the Gospel and I continue the same till today.

- Bro. Navaneether, FMPB Gospel Ratham

A preacher who knows the context:

In a secular Govt. company, once he was permitted to preach with a condition that he should not use the very word 'Jesus Christ' and share the testimony of him. He accepted it without any hesitation and on the topic "Prajapathi" he preached a sermon through which many were touched by his message.

- Mr. C. Reginald, President, FMPB

A global leader next only to Billy Graham!

Andrew McAfee, a well known Principal Research Scientist may be correct in saying that in the history of the Church, there is none who is more influential among the Pastors than Dr. Kamaleson. In an International Conference for Itinerant Evangelist, Amsterdam, Pastor Kamaleson was considered and well recognized as the 2nd leader next only to Dr. Billy Graham as commented by Dr. Prakash Yesudian.

- Mr. Ashok Vedanayagam

Former Secretary - FMPB Navodya Team & Founder - Sishya

A Leader with multi-faceted personality!

Dr. Kamaleson annan was a brand - I call it 'Kamaleson way.' He always led a simple life style, a missionary life style, a transforming life style, prayerful life style and role model life style. He used to attract everyone through his love. Through his vision, he changed the course of history of our nation by transforming the life of downtrodden and tribal communities. His life is stark reminder that we should be wise and bold in building God's Kingdom on earth.

- Mr. John Samuel, Former President, FMPB & Rtd CPMG

An Evangelical with Ecumenical heart:

In 1992, at a World Vision Conference for Orthodox Priests in Romania, he provided a springboard for relation-building between Protestants and the Orthodox Churches.

- **Rev. Prabakara Sarathy**, Secretary, FMPB - HQ

Deeply touched by his intimacy:

It was he, Dr. Sam who had politely invited me to become a member of the Executive Committee of FMPB, representing North-East India. When I accepted his invitation, he said, 'you would be our window for the world.' During the 3-year period of my term in the Board of the FMPB, I had close and intimate relationship with this great man of God, and was deeply touched by his leadership quality. I thoroughly enjoyed sitting and participating in the Board meetings and often learnt deep spiritual values interacting with him.

- **Mr. Ben Kapthuama**, Former EC Member & IAS Officer

His presence opened new avenue in ministry:

Being a non-Tamil, (Andhra) in FMPB in mid 1980s I was given the responsibility to promote FMPB in AP and North India. Annan was instrumental to my success in spreading missionary vision and burden in AP through FMPB. As he was a well known to the Telugu Christian community as a famous International Evangelist, his presence beside me during promotional meetings helped others to accept me as his representative.

- **Mr. P. Hemachandran**, Former Associate General Secretary, FMPB

He never destroys but builds always:

I had personal acquaintance with our beloved annan in terms of arranging his travels and meeting his needs during his stay in India for many years. Love was central to his life and ministry. He loved people irrespective of caste, creed and region. He rather mentored anyone gently. He used to say, God created all people and He loves them. He never destroys but he builds always others.

- **Rev. Stephen Joyson**, FMPB - Lay Leaders Training

Exponent of the theology of the Kingdom of God:

Kamaleson Annan has been the foremost exponent of the theology of the Kingdom of God next only to the late E. Stanley Jones which I have ever heard in India. His oft repeated phrases "Unshakable Kingdom" and the "Unchanging King- Jesus Christ" are still reverberating in my ears. He wanted the Kingdom to be visible and tangible in our community living right 'now and here.' Let us thank God for the indelible impressions he has imprinted not only in our thoughts and minds but also in the history of the Church and its Mission elsewhere across the world and our motherland India, in particular.

- **Rev. N. Prabakar**, FMPB

A management expert in Christian leadership!

His contribution to FMPB administration was remarkable. Under his leadership he counselled the leaders and gave his advice through Executive Committee. He guided the formation of workable structure for FMPB and defined the role of the office bearers and other executives. As a President he totally delegated the day today management of FMPB ministry to General Secretary and missionary leaders. While making new policy under his leadership, the Executive Committee used to discuss thoroughly and formulate the policy for the welfare of FMPB.

- Rev. Dr. E. Rajan, FMPB

What a driving force he was!

Dr. Kamaleson was my driving force during my leadership in FMPB. When I proposed my vision about the formation of Friends Educational Society [FES] to mobilize the educators and Samaritan Medical Aid & Research Trust to mobilize the medical personnel for ministry, he subscribed to my visions. When I was asked to present about these two visions in the Executive Committee, a few of them had negative thinking about it and kept on asking questions without any conviction. That made me to break down with tears. Kamaleson annan stood up and handled the situation wisely and got the whole hearted approval from all the committee members to implement those plans. He never interfered in any administrative matters of FMPB but was concerned only with policy matters. He wanted me being the General Secretary of FMPB from 2000 to January 2009 to deal with the problems and take decisions. Only when we seek his help, he gave only suggestions and counselling.

- Rev. R. John Kirubakaran, Former General Secretary

What a broader perspective he had!

Dr. Sam Kamaleson never entertained and accommodated parochialism and communalism and his thought pattern was characterised by large perspective and broad outlook. Whenever there was a serious crisis in FMPB he would say the nation is facing more serious challenges, let's therefore shed all our petty problems and worry about the greater worries of the nation. Apart from leadership, he laid emphasis on relationship. He frequently used the word togetherness, and challenged his hearers to get united in Christ as family to counter the divisive schemes of the devil.

- Rev. I.K. Abraham, Former General Secretary

A Genius in grasping issues!

I had the privilege of sitting with Kamaleson in an Executive Committee of FMPB. He is the one who grasps any issue very quickly. The issues we bring to the EC for discussion may be a new thing for him, but when we say just a few sentences, immediately he will understand the depth of the matter and start discussing that. He used to pay attention to hear all the people and respect their ideas which appeared to be insignificant. He maintained the discipline and decorum of the committees.

- **Rev. John Berlin**, FMPB - Secretary - Field &
General Secretary - Designate

What a presence of mind he had!

Someone asked Kamaleson annan once, "If William Carey was called the Father of Modern Missions, who is Ziegenbalg then, who came first to India and achieved so many great things?" Kamaleson annan wisely replied, "Ziegenbalg is the Grand Father of Modern Missions." [A debate has been going on for centuries among the Christian Historians concerning this question].

- **Rev. Dr. J.T.K. Daniel**, Former Principal of Serampore College &
Former Hon. General Secretary of FMPB.

Refused to take American Citizenship for ministerial accessibility!

At the immigration, the officials would ask, why is that you don't take American citizenship, because he had permanent residency permit and he could have easily taken an American citizenship. So he replied that my ministry requires that I be an Indian citizen gives me an access to go anywhere in India to preach and other countries as well.

- **Rev. Sutharsan Thomas**, FMPB - General Secretary

Need leader with Calibre, Character and Charisma like him!

We have lost another legendary Christian statesman. As there was "great lamentation" of devout men over the death of Stephen (Acts 8:2), we lament that tall Indian Christian leaders are leaving us one by one in quick succession in the recent years. Let's plead before God to raise up from among us men and women of calibre, character and charisma to lead the Church to fulfil it's God-given commission.

- **Bro. R. Stanley**, Founder of BYM

Missionary Dedication



Our Missionary Bro. Elisha Daime from Maharashtra was dedicated on 19th February 2021 by Rev Hangkia Newme, the Pastor of Zeme Naga Baptist Church, Tamei. Bro Elisha Daime is sponsored by Mrs Amaile Newme and Mrs Achangle Dailiem. We are also thankful to ZNBC and the sponsors for coming forward to sponsor this missionary.

Bro. P. Thawng Khankap
Regional Mobilization Secretary - Manipur

Home Call



Rev. A. Victor Runlel, the founder of World Missionary Evangelism, India - Shillong (WMEI), and Principal of Douglas Memorial Secondary School, Lumbatngen, went home to be with the Lord on December 23, 2020 at the age of 64.

Rev. A Victor Runlel was a purpose driven individual who had a great passion for serving God. In fact, he has been sponsoring a missionary since 2016 and served in FMPB as Hon. area leader in mobilization ministry.

We pray that our "God of all consolation" to comfort his beloved wife Unsha Pashel, four children and their families.

- Rev. Dalzakam Suantak, Secretary - Mobilization - Meghalaya

Home Call



Dr. Prena, wife of Dr. Rajesh Vasave and the daughter of Rtd Bishop Dr. Daniel Ward of Free Methodist Church from Nandurbar, Maharashtra went to be with the Lord on 25th February 2021 at her age of 47 due to bone cancer. Her father-in-law advocate Dr. Vasave is a member of the current Executive Committee of FMPB. The entire family supports our ministry in Maharastra for more than three decades. Let us pray that our God of consolation comfort the bereaved family.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Robert Rajalingam, Mr. Doujapao Guite
Mr. Chunglental Singsit
Mrs. Manna Raja Vidhya Agustian
Mr. Thongkhogin Lumpheng
Mrs. Melody Dimsonting Vaiphei
Mr. Sianlunthang Zou T.

Jammu

Narot: Jeewer Joeswa & Priya Devi

Praise: Two persons came to faith in Jesus Christ and 345 persons heard the Gospel for the first time. Two casual volunteers were newly placed in this field for ministry. God healed Angreez Paul of Khelpur from chronic headache and Bimala of Nagiri from breathing problems. God delivered Nellam Devi of Dakholiya from possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the salvation of the Roshni family of Dakholia. For the deliverance of Sunitha of Badalpur area from the possession of evil spirit. Our believer Vandhana of Nagiri to be blessed with a baby. For the repentance of Shilfa of Dakholiya village as she tries to stop her husband from joining the worship. For Minu of Nagiri area who disturbs our ministry creating a negative impression about our ministry. To get a suitable place for worship at Nagiri area and to start

Sunday worship at Daholiya area. For open door for the Gospel in the Masha community. For healing Nealm Devi from eye problems. For the backslidden believers of Talor village to be restored in faith.

R.S. Pura: David Ayyanar & Manpreet Kaur

Praise: Three persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 3 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the training program, follow up ministry, film ministry, outreach and sat-sang programs in many ways. Four families from Agrachak and Banota areas show interest in the Gospel. God delivered Pinky of Agrachak from the possession of evil spirit. God healed Mannu of Badila village from stomach infection and Santhoshi Devi of Kullian village from nose infection. God blessed the wedding of Lakshmi of Agrachak village.

Pray: For the backslidden believers of this field to be restored in faith. To get a proper place for worship in R.S. Pura area. For the believers to come forward to help in the ministry. For the healing of Janvi of Kadarapur village and Shubam of Kullian village from paralysis, Rukmani of Baota village from severe back pain and Binder of Kot Bhalwal from leg fracture. Our believer Badyal and Chandra Kala of Agrachak village to get suitable life partners. For the good health of our evangelist Pancham and his family.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Rajadurai P., Mr. Jebaraj S.
Mrs. Olive Jennifer Nathaniel Edward
Mr. Senthil Murugan V.
Mr. Rabindra Murmu

Himachal Pradesh

**Jeori: Sankar & Durga
Devi @ Ruth Mary**

Praise: Two persons came to faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed our evangelist Hirala from TB, our believer Rahul from leg pain and Kumtha from severe bleeding. Our believer Jothi got a safe confinement after she suffered abortion for 5 times.

Pray: For the deliverance of our new believer Shyam Singh from the possession of evil spirit. For the healing of Sunuru Devi and Ruplal from kidney problem, Babli Rani from a wound in the hand. For the needs to be met for our believers Sevathi Devi and Karandhasi as they are building houses of their own.

**Himachal Region:
Thsangse, Zuchano**

Praise: God blessed the outreach program in 21 villages and many have shown interest in the Gospel.

God enabled our missionaries to start chain of prayer in all the congregations. Through Jeep ministry, 21 villages of Anni field were reached with the Gospel. God opened the door in Nerwa field and 10 persons from Bangal village came into contact with our ministry. Worship was newly started at Bangal village.

Pray: For the open door for the Gospel in Sundernagar field. For the healing of Dhani Ram from paralysis and Roshalya from memory loss. For the salvation of Lata of Navi area and Ramdeal and Raksha. For the need of a small worship centre at Khekhar area. For the salvation of our new contacts - Kapil, Vipin, Deepak, Vicky, Sushmarani, Babita, Geeta, Radhika and Delip Singh. God healed our new believer Ashok from epilepsy.



**The very name of Jesus
has power to protect!**

In Andhra Pradesh, at Kalakada mission field, our believer Ravi of Kona village met with an accident during his motorcycle ride. It was a major accident. While falling from the bike, he just pronounced the word 'Jesus' and fell down and became unconscious. Although he got severe injuries on his body, his life was saved by God. Now he is being healed and sharing his testimony about the saving power of His very name 'Jesus.' Glory to God.





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Mariammal Paul Solomon, Mr. Daud Tudu
Mr. Isaac R., Mrs. Beaulah Muralidharan
Mrs. Jeya Soundari Jebaraj Samuel

Rohru: Johnson Sankar & Jebarani

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 4 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected the house of our local evangelist from a fire accident. God healed our believers Meer Dhasi, Sukh Maya and Surgeon from chronic weaknesses, Thea from Chronic stomach problem. God protected Rajkumar from any injury though a stone fell on his head from a hill.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of almost 100 believers who join the conference call prayer regularly. For the salvation of Archana. For peace to be prevalent in the family of Vimal's family. For the healing of Anil Geetha and Vinesh from mental sickness. For the new contacts namely Patham Doss, Veeru, Sunitha and Promod from the habit of addiction. For the safe confinement of Nirmala and Preethi.

Punjab

Moga:

Justin & Saral Jansi Rani

Praise: Nine persons came to the

faith in Jesus Christ and one village was newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Simran Kour and Gopi from chest pain. God protected Jaggi Singh from a major accident without any injury. Our believer Kirna Kour got a safe confinement. God delivered Kulwant Kour from Ajitwal from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the backslidden believers to be restored back to faith. For God to open doors for the Gospel in Ajitwal, Chudchak, Raikot, Kotly, Dharamkot, Bopara and Dudike villages. For all the believers to attend the worship services regularly. For the deliverance of Manpreet singh, Latti Singh, Haran, Mintu and other families who are under the bondage of consuming alcohol. For the needs of the Dharamkot Church to be met as the altar and other works are yet to be completed. For the deliverance of Kaml Kour from the possession of evil spirit. For the spiritual renewal of the families of Prem, Mannu, Rahul, Kesha, Vikky, Shammy, Mitta, Sunneth, Gurthej and Lucky as they are not attending the worship service. For our believers Rajini kour, Jothi, Kanjal, and Aman to get suitable and God fearing life partners. Our believers' families of Sukki Kour and Mandeep to be blessed with children. For the salvation of Bappli Kour, Reka Kour, Arthi, Mathu, Sunny, Jesveer Singh and Jaspreet Kour as they show interest in the Gospel. For the spiritual growth of our new contacts Babbi Kour, Reka, Khadhu Singh and Heena.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Gracy Stanley George
Mrs. Gowramma @ Swetha Amarenthiran
Mrs. Anna Roslin R.

Barnala & Bathinda: Krupa Rakshana & Shakena

Praise: Six persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Sat-sang program for the first time was conducted in the houses of Bajigrah Basti and Darshan Singh and Bubbly got deliverance from the evil spirit. God protected all the missionaries and evangelists from the earthquake while they gathered for fasting prayer. God blessed our evangelist Jethinder family from Bhairupa Sub-centre with a child and our believer Gangadeep of Dilawah village wedding was successfully conducted.

Pray: For the blessing of all the upcoming sat-sang and film programs which are planned in various places. For the hindrances to be removed for the believers to confess their faith in the Lord at Barnala and Bathinda fields. For the healing of Mosemi from epilepsy. For the deliverance of the

families of Darshan, Jaspal Singh, Shena, Manisha, Anju and Veera from the possession of evil spirits. Sanjay, Raju, Amandeep, Rau, Ravi, Satpal, Satnam, Hans, Maur Mandi, Tersham, Kishore, Rajinder Singh, Bhagreed and Dhanuala as they find it difficult to get rid of the habit of drinking alcohol. For our new believer Reena's husband to come back.



**As for me and my family,
we will serve the Lord!**

In New Delhi, at Patparganj mission field, Sonia from Garkeda village got saved 3 years back and now she is leading many to Christ and she prays for the sick and the Lord answers and heals for those who come to her house. Pray for her husband Veersingh. He drinks alcohol and threatens the evangelists for spreading Gospel. Unable to face persecution through her husband, she took all their 4 children and went to her mother's house which is very far from her house and prayed sincerely for the repentance of her husband. God answered her prayer and after 15 days he called and asked her to forgive and he sent money for her travel expenses and Sonia returned and live happily with her husband. Pray for the salvation of Veersingh to know Jesus personally and accept Him as his personal saviour.





Happy Birthday

Mr. Rama Krishna Aggibada
Mr. Balaji Netalam, Mr. Amarenthiran
Mrs. Jeba Grace David
Mr. Jyoti Ranjan Bordhan
Mr. Lunminthang Baite

Jaito: Chittaranjan Tandy & Tejaswita

Praise: Eleven persons came to faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled our missionaries to conduct one day Church Elders Training successfully. God delivered Sonu Singh, Manpreet Kaur and Ramandeep Kaur from the possession of evil spirits. God healed Sanjana Sharma from breathing problems and Sukhdev Singh from eye infection while he was attending the sat-sang program.

Pray: For the complete healing of Rani Kaur from Dysphagia, our new contact Rajvir Singh from paralysis and Balkaran Singh of Jeetgel village from mental disorder. For the safe confinement of Amandeep Kaur, Sarvajeet Kaur and Prabjyot Kaur. For the Ranjyot family, Sonu family and Deepak family to be blessed with children. For the open door for the Gospel at Radicepura, Harino, Kassambhatti, Matta and Kotkapura area. To get a

suitable life partner to our believers Kulvinder Singh, Bittu Singh, Amandeep Kaur, Neeta Singh, Manpreet Kaur and Jaskaran Singh. For 15 persons without any hindrance to confess their faith in the Lord.

Haryana **Barwala & Bhorsat:** **Babubhai & Jadav** **Sarasvatibahen**

Praise: Two persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 3 villages namely Rakhi, Hebalpur and Kumba were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Mamta Promukalana got a job in medical service. God delivered Rekha from the possession of evil spirit. Anil, the son of Jamarjeet from Gaibipur village was rescued from kidnapping through prayers. God blessed Kavitha of Gaibipur with a child.

Pray: In need of a land to build a Church at Gorakhpur village. For the healing of Ashish Kumar of Gobipur, a 3 years old boy who has stone in the stomach and Navin Kumar from paralysis. For the deliverance of Shital of Shahu village from the possession of evil spirit. For the repentance of the two sons of Vedha from alcohol addiction. For the salvation of the people of Kharkhoda, Hashangarh, Nayagar, Bobuwa and Bugana villages.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Sutharsan Thomas Jeyaraj
Mr. Franklin M. Y. Patham A.S.
Mrs. Suriyakanti Udiptakumar Bag
Mr. Godisela Praveen

Jeevan Nagar: Aliyakim Jena & Deepika

Praise: The parents of our new believer Sukhdev accepted his son's family as they sent them out of their house due to their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Mangat Ram family confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The wife of Sandeep from Santh Nagar got a safe confinement although she got bleeding due to an electric shock during the pregnancy period. God protected the hands of Sonu of Santh Nagar from the saw mill miraculously. Worship group was started in the house of Bagga Singh of Gadrana Road.

Pray: For the open doors to preach the Gospel at Shahira and Rupapur villages. For our believers to lead many to Jesus Christ. To build compound walls in Patil Dabar, Gabipur and Matana Churches.

For the salvation of the Gapal family of Dabwali Mandi area. Sat-sang programs to be conducted in Pakka, Patharal, Jassi, Jaisingh wala, Dum Wali and Gouributtar villages. For Mangal, Tarsem, Jaipal, Hanuman and Sadhu from Mandi Dabwali sub center to get rid of alcohol addiction. For the believers and Church elders to cooperate with all our mission activities.

Tosham: John Davidson

Praise: Six villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God has given 3 new contacts from the Bharghav community. God enabled us to conduct night meetings in Siwani village. God healed Roshan from piles through surgery. The members of Satnali small group are actively participating in the outreach ministry.

Pray: For the new believer Sandeep from Sarsana to stand firm in faith of the Lord Jesus Christ. For our new contacts from Barsi, Khanak, Sarsana to confess their faith in the Lord. For the safe confinement of Priyanka from Satnali village. For the consolation of the family members of Mahavir from Dhanimahu village who passed away recently.



Happy Birthday

Mr. John David Raj
Mr. Pawan Kumar
Mr. Alphonse J.

Rajasthan **Rajasthan Region:** **Amir Kant Digal** **& Nirola**

Praise: Twenty villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the follow up ministry done in all the 86 villages. Bible study groups regularly gather in 52 places. The Alwar home resumed its activities and children have also started coming back. God enabled us to open a mission field at Ajitgarh newly.

Pray: For the salvation of Nut and Raiger people group. Our believers to stand firm in the faith of the Lord during the crisis. Local believers to come forward to serve their own people. In need of a driver for jeep ministry from our own believers. Believers to openly confess their faith in the Lord. In need of lands to build Churches at Anupgarh, Sangaria,

Sri GangaNagar and Tapukeda. Church leaders to lead their own congregations. Please pray for our safe journey to Odisha to be with my aged parents for a few days. For the healing of our evangelist Darshan Singh of Hanumangarh from spinal cord problem.

Sri Ganga Nagar: **V. Kumar &** **Patricia Tamil Selvi**

Praise: God blessed all the programs conducted in various places. God blessed our believer Pooja of Gurusar 2W wedding in many ways. God enabled our believer Nathuram of 16s to build a house of his own and Sunil of SSB Colony to buy a house. Our believers Guldeep and Sunitha gave up their misunderstandings and reunited as family. God delivered Gurpreet of 5h from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For our believer Subash to involve in the outreach programs. For the healing of Vimala from anaemia and nerves problems. For our believer Sarbjeet to be blessed with a child. For our believer Raman whose wedding is to be solemnized well and his parents to be united.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Emmanuel Ranjitsingh S.
Mr. Solomon Jebaraj J.
Mrs. Binni Gnanam John Dinesh
Mr. Johnson J.
Mrs. Aniya Josephine Venkatesan
Mrs. Renu Arun Ghanta
Mrs. Sara Malto

Uttar Pradesh

Tundla:

Vasava Pachiyabai Pohnabhai & Savitaben

Praise: Three persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 5 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the soul winners training program at Gayamai and Thanumai villages. Our new contacts Sarvesh, Seema and Kamlesh families are showing interest to the gospel. New believers training program and ladies meeting, conducted at Firozabad, Thanumai and Tundla were a great blessing to many. All who have received blessings, healing and salvation from God became witnesses in their neighbourhood.

Pray: For the open door for the Gospel among the Bhagel and Rathor people groups. God to bless the plan of forming Gospel

team to conduct night meetings and Sat-sang programs. For the salvation of the families of Syansingh, Paitush and Jagdish of Gayamai area. For the good response to be received for the Gospel in Kalyan, Saidailal and Khamni villages. For the blessings of the youth meetings arranged in Firozabad and Thanumai areas.

Ghatampur:

Jangkhulun Touthang & Ngai Thianching Hauzel

Praise: Twenty-four persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 9 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. The husband of our believer Radha of Chhitauni village came back and was reunited with her after 5 years. Our believers Mamta, Anitha and Susheela got houses through the Govt schemes and Shiva got a suitable job. God enabled us to conduct mass outreach satsang programs at Raha village without any problem.

Pray: For the blessing of the forthcoming VBS program. For the safe confinement of Rachna, Vinita and Shanti. For the peaceful and fruitful inter-transfer of our evangelists. For our believers and evangelists to get into the various Govt. Welfare schemes. For the healing of Pradeep, Haripal, Sakshi Prabha, Uma Saroj, Ganga Devi, Savitri, Tanu, Janu and Mariam from various illnesses.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Lidia Augustus Pushparaj
Mr. Golden J. Inbaraj

Gonda:

Omprakash Gupta & Tumpa Chowdury

Praise: Our hostel children successfully completed their Board practical exam amidst many challenges. Our hostel student Ketan Kumar successfully completed his final year NCC studies. Believers from the Nut community started conducting their family wedding in Christian manner. God enabled our evangelists to conduct all the programs without any hindrance.

Pray: For the open door for the Gospel in Gonda field ministry. For the amicable settlement of the Gonda land case. For the reopening of our hostel without any problem.

Bundelkhand:

N. Rajadurai & Prema

Praise: God healed Jungria of Baglamar village one year back through prayer and he brought 12 persons to the fold of Jesus Christ.

Our believer Lullubhai of Sakatpur village got a good harvest of brown gram from her field as the Lord turned the direction of the wind flow through her prayers. A new volunteer was placed to develop ministry at Jalaun field. God enabled us to get a suitable land for the Church at Sirsakalar area. Ten night meetings, Sat-sangs and nine film shows were conducted through our Jeep team at Paharpur and Dikoli villages where people are receptive to the Gospel. God blessed the 1000 hours prayers at Jhansi, Moth, Bhind and Guna fields. Three new villages Emiliya, Datera and Dhorari are showing good response to gospel from Morena field. God changed the heart of the husband of Poonam who is permitted to attend the worship service at Kadaura field.

Pray: For the blessing of elders training at Bhind and Dabra fields. For Shivni Church land measurement work to be done soon. For the suitable lands to build Churches at Kitounda and Damras. For our Church elders who are taking care of their respective congregations well. For a revival to take place in Udaipur Church. For the congregation in Sultanpur, Dhai, Nayagaon, Barol, Pelesikoti and Etal to grow in the Lord.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Abraham G.
Mr. Channamallappa Angadi
Mrs. Jayanthi Duraisamy @ Francis
Mr. David Hansdak

Madhya Pradesh

Dabra:

**Satikant Parichha &
Sagarika Pradhan**

Praise: Two villages namely Mehgaon and Salampur were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected the husband of our believer Babli from a major road accident and the son of Anil of Kitonda village from an electric shock. God enabled us to share the Gospel personally to 12 persons.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the Church elders and believers. God to bless the plan of the VBS program this year. For the repentance of the leaders of other organizations who disturb our ministry quite often.

Pal:

Mahendran & Pushpam

Praise: Eight persons came to the

saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 6 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Ajith conducted his wedding in a Christian manner. God healed Lasnathi from paralysis, Sangeetha from body swelling and Pearsingh from piles.

Pray: For the repentance of Navalsingh who opposes our ministry vehemently. For our believer Samlal who lost his motorbike to get it back. For the backslidden believer Jaina family to be restored. For the healing of Theepu from intestine problem.

Dhulkot:

Gulam Kisku

Praise: Twenty-six persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 3 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God delivered Motahudra and Mikhdi from the possession of evil spirits. God healed Durgabai of Cameli village from body swelling.

Pray: The seekers of Magalzia to come forward to confess their faith in the Lord. For the healing of Jhansar Patil of Karamia from kidney problem and Sangitabai of Jamani village from abscess in the body. For the deliverance of Sababai, Laxmibai and Bhigribai of Magalzia congregation from the possession of evil spirits.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Beril Siromani Egalaivan
Mr. Peter Prabhakaran

Jharkhand

Jeypur:

**Ashok Nayak &
Surabhi Nayak**

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Jeyanti Gagari's daughter, Turam Deogram from swollen cheek and Diya Banra from chronic back-pain. God protected Pradhan Mundir from a major bike accident. Our believer Sukumati Champia got a safe confinement.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Moudi village who force our believers to renounce their faith. For the salvation of the people of Jojohatu and Kulabur village. Small Churches to be built for the congregations of Moudi and Jeypur areas.

Mandro:

**Mirjyo Kisku &
Celina Hansda K**

Praise: Seven persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus

Christ and 9 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. David Marandi and Lucy Kisku have donated Tumda – Tamak (Musical instruments) for Khera Church. Kherwa and Khaera congregations are giving tithe and offering. Congregation believers went to each believer house and prayed for them during this lenten season. God protected Munshi Marandi from the falling of the house roof. God enabled our evangelist and believers to preach the gospel in Cihurbona village for the first time. God healed Teresa Kisku from paralysis, Manisha Marandi from fire burn, Beronica Hansda from epilepsy, Natwa Baskey from liver infection, Priya Kisku from cerebral malaria and Sangita Hembrom from cancer.

Pray: For youths to grow in the fear of God and to participate in Church activities. For the deliverance of Santals from the bondage of drinking and adultery. For the salvation of the children of Lukas Baskey who died due to cancer. God to bless the outreach programs planned to be conducted at Persia, Lakra, Badorh, Matbeda, Harrakha, Itahari, Devdanrh, Kalhajhor, Kitajhor, Kenduwa and Rangukhita villages. For all the 67 backslidden believers' families of the Meghi area to come back to the fold of Jesus Christ.



Happy Birthday

Miss. Suchitra Limma

Bhagaiya & Tinpahar: Jebakumar & Pon Latha

Praise: Twenty-two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God heard the prayers of our believer from Jamalpur and delivered a person from the possession of evil spirit and as a result, a worship was started in that village newly. Our believer Rani Lakda of Kelabanna congregation went as a missionary to Odisha through FMPB.

Pray: For the salvation of Patel who was saved from the falling of a terrace through prayers and Ramji of Sunudi village who shows interest to the Gospel. For God to bless the efforts of making the Churches as self-reliant through the Jeevan Mark Oravan Samiti. For the catechists to be placed in the places where congregations are formed every month newly. For a Church to be built in Tinpahar mission field.

Amarapada: Benhur & Mary Johnsy Rani

Praise: Twenty persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. Our

believers Palisor Soren, Rajesh Soren, Biti Hasda and Hopna Murmu who got healed from cerebral malaria through prayers. God blessed Samuel Hasda and Albina Murmu with a child after 17 years of married life.

Pray: For the persecution faced by our believer Pyari Murmu of Nargi village as they are kept aloof from their village by their own people. For the salvation of Misil Hembrom, Cunka Kisku and Rusilal Murmu as they show interest in the Gospel. For the open doors for the Gospel in Tilia, Paharpur, Pacai and Gaibathan villages.



Opposition has no power over God's blessings:

In Maharashtra, Jongu family from Rachapalli village in Gadchandur field was sad of not having children in their 5 years of married life and tried many ways to get the blessing. At last they believed Jesus and started worshipping Him. In answer to their prayers, God has blessed them with a girl baby. The baby was in a critical condition following delivery due to less weight. But again God heard their cries and saved the baby. Since they accepted Jesus nobody from their relatives came forward to help them in delivery and baby's treatment. But our believers helped and now the baby is alright and the parents are happy in the Lord amidst severe opposition in the village. Praise be to God.





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Lydia Sutharsan Thomas
Mrs. Ahoni Hutoi Achumi
Mr. Christian Prakash S.
Mrs. Jeba Malar Rajan

West Bengal

Gangarampur:

Dihe & Charani

Praise: Three villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the film programs in Chugach, Gogodanga, Senahari, Sontadige, Chogate, Telegaan, Selpara, Babongoan and Burpukiria villages and 2 families are showing interest to the gospel. VBS program has made a great impact in Babongoan village and we received open doors for the Gospel. God blessed the wedding of our believer Samuel Hembrom & Anjele of Barelopa village.

Pray: For the repentance of Panai Tudu who oppose the Gospel. For the salvation of Som Hasdak, Robin Besron, Rajesh Kisku, Stephen Mardi, and Supheel. Our believer Reneka Soren from Baliakhora village to be blessed with a child. For the healing of Ratan Soren from swollen leg and

our evangelist Hopna Murmu from chronic headache.

Itahar:

Astaban Aditya Kumar Limma & Manini Bebartha

Praise: Ten persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 3 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the 4 drama programs and almost 400 persons came to know the love of Jesus Christ. Our migrant believers returned safely from their work spot. God healed Sunil Murmu from Bhilaimuni village from severe back pain.

Pray: For the backslidden believers Kobiraj Tudu from Banbol village, Bimol Hasdak from Dutkhol village, Suniram Soren from Hagnapokhor village, Budhu Murmu & Kisan Murmu from Basahar village, Rajen Murmu from Pokhariput village to come back to the faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. For the healing of Jhumur Murmu of Basahar village from back pain, Budhu Hembrom of Ujantar village and Logen Soren of Hagnapokhor village from TB. For our believers Bablu Murmu & Suni Mardi family, Ram Hansdak & Chami Murmu family, and Raju Murmu & Monika Mardi family to be blessed with children.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Hephzibah Jacob Pradeep Kumar
Mrs. Rajam Paul Sampath
Mrs. Kanmani Rajasingh, Mr. Bijay Malto

Pakuahat:
**Ramakrishna Aggibada &
Anjali Devi**

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 12 villages namely Jamtola, Bodra, Bhutkipada, Mangalpura, Mattola, Piajkundi Sajna, Dohri Simbra, Hurbari, Budral, Kankatapada, Sohorpur and Basni villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the mass outreach program in the Sibra Keasapara area and Houses evangelism in 3 villages. God healed Lilli Mardi Slowley from paralysis and Rabi Murmu from tumour.

Pray: For the believers and Chunky Tudu Church elder of Salbona congregation to overcome the financial crisis. For the unity to be prevalent among the believers of Chukandar. For our believer Sona Muni Murmu to stand firm in the faith of the Lord and to overcome all the opposition faced from her

own kith and kin. Church elders to actively participate in the outreach ministry. Mass movement to take place in Nitampur, Mutrudanga, Pannapur, Uttar Karma, Kuladanga, Chunakandor villages. For the healing of Chubila from epilepsy. For the believers to confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Peace to be prevalent in the families of Hopna Soren and Sonesh Murmu.

Samsi:
Deep Ratna & Mithlesh

Praise: Ten persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the VBS programs and many unbelievers families came into contact with us through this. Two families from Kasimpur village show interest to the Gospel. Worship service was started recently at Ratania village of Wari area.

Pray: For the Church elders to actively participate in the Church activities. For the forthcoming outreach programs in many areas. For the salvation of Patwari Besra, Dhinum Hansda, Biju Murmu, Makul Kisko, Mohan Kisko and Manhji Kisku families. Churches to be built in Wari, Kurial, Jitalpur and Bagantola areas. For the healing of our new believer Mangal Hansda of Jitalpur area from paralysis.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Basudev Malto
Mrs. Jeba Theberal Vethamanikam

**Cooch Behar:
Jennis & Suganthi
Pushpam**

Praise: Three villages namely Kalipara, Bakshitri and Karkaria were newly reached with the Gospel. For the spiritual growth of 4 new contacts who helped us a lot in our ministry. 400 people for the first time heard about the very name Jesus through our film programs.

Pray: For the salvation of our new contacts Natarai Roy, Haradhan Sutradhar, Sukdeba Roy and Shibu Roy. For the repentance of the people who are addicted to drugs and thus spoiling their health. For the blessing of all the upcoming programs.

**Asom
Lakhimpur:
Ch. John & Veni**

Praise: Eighteen persons came

to the fold in Jesus Christ. Our volunteer Pranab Kutum has committed to serve as an evangelist and our believer Iteswar Narho from Lokra field donated his bike for his ministry. Our Church elder Rohim Patir is actively participating in all our ministerial activities. Opposition in Kulabali village has subsided. God healed Sivananth from mental sickness and delivered Sumiya from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: All the new believers to grow in the Lord Jesus Christ amidst oppositions. For the salvation of Luteswar Patir, the father of our Church elder, Mirnal Patir, Minakanto, Besa, Kajol, Ayyo, Akuram and his father. Our believers Papa Dole and Rajib Chinte to be blessed with children. For the repentance of the witch doctors in our mission fields. For the healing of Maijoni and Manik Dole from kidney problems, Armon from paralysis and Bina Pegu from tumour.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Kingsly Issac Johnson M.
Mrs. Amutha Kumar Paul
Mr. Srinivasan J., Mr. Densingh R.
Mr. Astaban Aditya Kumar Limma

Gohpur:

Densingh & Kavitha

Praise: Nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God opened the door for the Gospel in Sirakuwa and Teliyabai areas amidst opposition. Church construction at Chokala area is going on well and the Church elders are actively involved in the construction process.

Pray: For the healing of the mother of our backslidden believer Kayum from tuberculosis and Unrawall and Parutho from mental disorder. For the evil practice of preparing alcohol by the Mishing community people to be removed. For all the people to be protected during the heavy storm and rainy season.

Chhattisgarh

Bhaiyadhan: Muthukumar & Nethravathy

Praise: Our new contacts Ajaykumar of Konsa, Govind of Jamdi, Sunil and Sushil of Dumaria

and Bhaskar of Parsapara hear the Word of God and grow in the Lord. Outreach programs were successfully done in Dumaria, Parsapara and Navapara villages. God blessed the worship services at Mahuli, Pancha and Shivprasad Nagar villages and house visits at Dalapahara and Kevra villages.

Pray: For volunteers to come forward to do our ministry. For the healing of Ashish Lala from liver infection, Doluram of Navapara from kidney problem and Rambhai from knee pain. The couple Sandeep and Prajeet to be blessed with a child.



A Devil watcher had seen God!

In Jharkhand at Lalmatia mission field Jeymanti Devi, who was 8 months pregnant, in Harla Tola, was possessed by an evil spirit. She became unconscious. Her face was completely darkened. She was able to see only what the satan was showing her. Recently a person had died with similar symptoms. The family was frightened and took her to the Church elders' house. The Church elder's wife informed them about the 3 days fasting prayer happening at that time in Mohabathan village. Around 10:30 pm in the night, they brought her to the fasting prayer. As we all prayed together, the evil spirit left her and she became normal instantly. The next Sunday they participated the worship. Glory to God!





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Stanislaus Swamidoss
Mr. Prabakara Sarathy, Mr. Babu P.
Mrs. Mary Johnsy Rani Benhur

Champa:

Rameshwar Dayal Nirmal & Madhu Kala

Praise: Three persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 3 villages namely Jondhara, Tonger and Jhalmala were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the follow up ministry in 25 languages and worship services in 8 places.

Pray: For the 200 Satnami Believers who have participated in spiritual conferences to grow in spiritual Life. The social evil such as Child marriage, dowry system and alcohol addiction to be rooted out. The believers and keen contacts who have migrated to other states to grow in the faith. In need of a hostel for the children of Satnami in Pamgarh. Land for Churches to be registered in Semaria and Sone Villages. The Satnami people of Khamaria village to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. The new believers' families namely Birbal Tigga, Suraj Kumar Narange and Bodhani who have joined with us in the outreach programs.

Gharghoda: Kingsley

Issac Johnson & Meena

Praise: God blessed all the 16 Bhajan meetings and many received the Gospel eagerly. Bible study was conducted to all the believers who have joined the outreach programs. God blessed our believer Digram Sahu and rescued from debt.

Pray: For the abolishment of social evil practices which were forced to be adopted even among the believers. For the growth of our ministry in Thannar, Gharghoda, Lailunga, Dharamjaigarh, Ghorba, Salkarisi and Raigarh areas. For God to raise servants of God from the Jott people group. For the healing of Sadhinifobia who suffer from miscarriage.



Electric shock did no harm:

In Maharashtra, at Jimmalaghatta mission field, our believer Pentamma from Dachilipeta was suffering with fever; she came to Jimalagatta for treatment. After the treatment she came to our house for prayer, so we prayed for her, after the prayer she was travelling in a bus returning to her village. But when the bus was crossing the Jimalagatta, a high electric pole accidentally fell on the bus. All the passengers were in panic, rushing to get down and some even jumped from the bus and got injured. Pentamma simply prayed and got down from the bus without any injury. God Saved Pentamma whereas all the other passengers were affected by electric shock and fire. Glory to God!





Happy Birthday

Mr. Ruban Samuel J.
Mrs. Marykutty Vincent
Mrs. Lissy Vavachan
Mrs. Priscilla Ramesh Velraj
Mrs. Geetanjali Nayak
Mr. John Davidson Selvaraj

Katghora:

Ditungbou & Sanalung

Praise: Fifteen villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to start worship service newly in Kapubhara, Murmu and Putipakhna villages. God blessed the fasting prayer with our believers in Putipakhna and Tiliamar villages. God delivered Chandini of Panchthar village from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Kapashera village. For the believers of Bankheta congregation to stand firm in faith amidst so many challenges. For the salvation of all the people of Marwa Doraha village, as there are only six believers in this village. For the repentance of the brothers who try to capture our believers in Marwa Doraha village. For the blessing and arrangements of forthcoming believers' mela.

Lakhanpur:

Arun Kumar & Sarathi

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to start a worship service recently at Sormada village. God blessed the training programs for the Church elders and women. Our believers took all the initiative to conduct a wedding of a young believer who does not have parents. God protected our evangelist Devnath from a major accident.

Pray: For the deliverance of the new persons who are joining with the congregation of Semara village from the possession of evil spirits. For the blessing of forthcoming VBS training programs.

Ludeg:

David Masih & Nisha

Praise: One person came to the faith in Jesus Christ at Barpara area and 8 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected the son of our evangelist from an accident. A family is newly attending our worship service at Kangra village.

Pray: For the healing of our believer Arjun from Buldega congregation who is admitted in ICU at Bangalore for chronic fever. Our believer Parvathi to be blessed with a child. A Church to be built in Dhumarbhara area where the Corva people also join the worship.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Mainraj I.

Mrs. Swarnalatha Sanjeeb Kumar Andrap

Pratappur:

Dinesh Kumar & Neetu

Praise: Nine villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to get new contacts among Gonds people namely Sanapara, Passapara and Mahuwapara. Gangotree congregation is growing day by day and multi-ethnic people join the worship. There is an open door for the Gospel in Pratappur mission field.

Pray: For the salvation of Somarsay of Mayapur who practices occult and profess Jesus Christ also but not fully believing Him. For the spiritual growth of Gangotree and Gondpara congregations.

Sitapur:

Padvi Somalia Bhai & Mahala Shilaben

Praise: Three villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Bhajan meet was conducted newly in 3 places. God protected our

evangelist Nandlal Minz from a major accident. God enabled us to build the Poksari Church up to the lintel level.

Pray: For the salvation of the Nagwansi and Oravan people group who live in Sarga village. For the believers of Lalitpur congregation to give up the habit of drinking alcohol completely. The believers of the Kerakasar congregation to attend the worship service regularly. For the deliverance of Silkee from the possession of evil spirit.

Wadraf Nagar:

Boopathi & Paulin Mary

Praise: God enabled us to proclaim the Gospel in Murkol, Mahadevpur, Santipur, Ramkola and Raipur villages. Worship services are going on regularly in Vogari, Savadapur, Lamori, Puvimun, Mitalapur and Japrapara villages. Our believers voluntarily preach the Gospel to their own friends and relatives.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel. Believers to grow in the Lord without backsliding. All the people who have heard the Gospel to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Shantha Vinayaraj, Mrs. Laisamma Babu
Mr. Jahar Sai Panna

Odisha

Rimuli: Sankar & Jelin

Praise: Eleven persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Believers' camp is going on well in all the congregations. New persons join the worship at Konkana village. God enabled us to do the first aid and to share the love of God to the people who had met with an accident.

Pray: For the witnessing life of our believers in Arsola and Konkana villages. For the repentance of the people from alcohol addiction. For our believer Bardhan Munda of Haridajodi village who faces opposition from his own people. Worship to be started in Binodpur, Girikula and Haridajodi villages.

Gujarat

Bajipura:

Markus Malto & Sara

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed our believers Samuel Bhai, Immanuelbhai and Saruthben with

suitable life partners. God enabled our believers and evangelists to do the ministry effectively without any hindrance.

Pray: For the witnessing life of the believers of Bajipura field congregation. For the people who received the Gospel to confess their faith in the Lord. For the spiritual growth of the believers of Mangroliya village. Our Church elders to show interest in learning the Word of God and to grow spiritually.

Bhav Nagar:

Karado Biswo Ranjan & Prabina Rani

Praise: Our believer Geetaben is sharing the Gospel to the nearby people and bringing many to Christ. Our new contacts Mittalben and her husband became the followers of Jesus Christ. God delivered Prem from the possession of evil spirit. Hatiben has opened her house for worship.

Pray: For the salvation of the husband of Geetaben. Our new contacts Praveenaben Joshi and Jatinbhai to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour. God to bless the plan of building a worship shed in Alang. Our new believer Rachna Verma from Vaniya caste who has started sharing her faith to her friends and relatives. To get a suitable place for worship in Bhavnagar area.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Arul Mony R., Mr. Thyagarajan P.
Mrs. Jayanti Mardi

Sahayatri Region: Samuel Subramani & Susila Samuel

Praise: God blessed Khanthibhai family with a child at the age of 45. Our believer's wife Chandiben from Navinagiri of Umargam field accepted her husband and agreed to live with him after much prayers. God protected our believer Sukriben's son from a major accident. Ojhar Church construction work came up to the PCC level. God healed Shamjibhai from paralysis. Our new contact Sharmilaben got safe confinement.

Pray: For the healing of Davubhai from Nagar village who is not able to walk and Rashmitaben is suffering from TB. For the salvation of Kamlesh, Sunil, Jikuben, Aminben of Umargam field, Pujaben, Lathaben, Bhavana, Ankitha of Daman field and Amitha, Anjali, Sunitha and Hansa.

Surat: Mathavaroy & Jebathangam

Praise: Our backslidden believer Santhosh came to Church along with his family members after a long time. Sunday school ministry was resumed in all the places after the lockdown. God enabled us to start a women's prayer meeting at Pandeswara. Our believer Rajinibhai got a house loan from Govt. Our new contact Rajkumariben who is an illiterate started reading the Bible.

Pray: For the deliverance of Varsha, a 10th Std student from the possession of evil spirit. For the salvation of the Ushaben family. Our backslidden believers Sugand and Priya to be restored back to faith. To get permission from Asst. Planning Commissioner for building a Church soon.

Dharampur & Ghergam Home: Vignesh & Angelin

Praise: Four villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Anishaben of Madhuri village was blessed with a baby. God protected Rangiaaben from an accident with minor injuries. Jairam, the son of our Church elder from Koba village conducted his son's wedding in Christian manner.

Pray: For the healing of Anjaliben from chronic leg pain and Gulabhai from eyesight problem due to a stone which got struck in his eye. For the protection of all the students from 6th to 10th Stds who have come back to the hostel.



Happy Birthday

Mr. David Nicholson, Mrs. Jeba Rose Vijayan
Mrs. Bidu Kanti Lima Sridhar Mopideni
Mrs. Hatneikim Letkholun Baite TS.

Jhalod:

Paulraj & Koilpushpam

Praise: God healed our believer Janthaben of Vahela village from head twisting, Nathubhai from chest pain and Poondiben of Muvera village from hernia. Our believer Vanthanaben was blessed with a baby.

Pray: For the hindrances to build a Church at Lakhanpur to be removed. For peace to prevail in the family of Ninaben and Satishbhai. For Tuliben to be delivered from the possession of evil spirit.

Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Silvassa: Akhilesh Kumar & Kiren Devi

Praise: Five villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Harvest festival was celebrated in all the Churches. In order to develop the skills of the believers, singing competition was conducted in 3

places successfully. The believers of Sillifatak came forward to contribute Rs.5200/- per family to purchase a land to build a Church.

Pray: For the land to build a Church at Ambabari village. For the blessing of outreach programs, elders and evangelists training program. For the deliverance of our new believer Rajeshbhai of Paraspada village from the possession of evil spirit.

Maharashtra

Sindkheda sub-Vadali:

Jagmohan Singh & Swati

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the film programs in two places and many came to know the love of God for the first time. Our new contacts Sadnabai, Jijabai and Mangu families gave up all the bad habits of chewing Tobacco, drinking wine, and completely surrendered to the Lord Jesus Christ. God healed our believers of Burjad village from various sicknesses.

Pray: For the blessing of all the upcoming programs. For the salvation of Dilbar who would like to give up all his bad habits in order to follow Jesus Christ. For the healing of Bhanu Das from chronic back pain, Sankar Thelari from severe joint pain, Jivao from mental illness and Kalabai from blindness.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Pawar Ramdas Jarmal

Kuntamodi & Dab: Moorthi & Bharathi

Praise: Six persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 5 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Saidibai of Pujarapada from tumour. God delivered Savlibai of Movladipada from the possession of evil spirit. God blessed all the programs conducted throughout this month and our ministry is progressing well in many areas.

Pray: For the believers Sunita, Chagan, Santhosh and Sangeetha of Malpada and Kuntamodi areas to attend the worship services regularly. For the deliverance of Mogibai of Ukkalamba village from the possession of evil spirit. For the healing of Bokyabhai of Moulyadipada from dengue. For the spiritual growth of families who attend our worship service in Junavanipada, Mokh, Varkedi, Umati and Sallibari areas.

Boradi: Omprakash & Sapna

Praise: Eight villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected Tukarambhai of Saliapada village from an accident. Bible study groups have been formed in Ranijira, Ajan, Bhampur, Saliapada, Mithagaov, Chikalipada, Dhabapada, and Samanya villages. God blessed the women's mela and Church elders' training in Kodida village and all the participants renewed their faith and commitment in the Lord. Follow-up programs have been successfully done at Chikalipada, Jhendainjan, Nimbari, Kadaipani, Vaghadi and Sukhakhudara villages.

Pray: For the blessing of all the upcoming programs. For the healing of Rajubhai of Shahana Bedi village from mouth cancer, Vijay Singh Bhai of Vahaniyapani village from kidney stone problem, Abasiyabhai of Saliapada village from blindness and Gathiyabhai of Dhabapada village from hydrosol. For the deliverance of Rajarambhai of Apasingpada village and Ashabai of Gadrdev village from the possession of evil spirits.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Johnson Tamil Selvan, Mrs. Nancy M.

Mrs. Susan Thomas Matthew

Mr. Sau Bhuinya, Miss. Smita Rani Limma

Chalishgaon:

Timothy & Mamatha J V

Praise: Six persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 8 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Seven families from Sindurni, Warked, Runked, Waijapur, Boltana and Wadjai villages came into contact through our outreach programs. God enabled our missionaries to conduct youth meeting, Sunday services, fasting prayers, one women meeting, believers training and other meetings were conducted regularly through conference call. prayer cell was newly started at Shiroom and worship group at Warkedi areas.

Pray: For the worship group to be started newly at Sindurni village. Our believer Pujha Ganesh Kakde to be blessed with a child. For the healing of Sandu Danike from liver failure. Migrating believers to be strengthened in faith.

Deccan Region:

Vijayan & Jebarose

Praise: Our Lord blessed the

convention meetings in Gattepalli and Pandevahi Churches, Elders training in Etapalli field, Bible study Group, Leaders training in Gadchandur field. Our Jeep team has done the outreach ministry successfully in Allapalli and Asifabad fields in 27 new villages and follow up ministry was done in 27 old villages. God sent a new driver for our jeep team and Roshan, our former hostel student as a volunteer in our ministry. Our hostel students Ajay Atram and Mahesh Gurnule have completed their MSW degree with outstanding grades. Hetedkasa Church construction work has started and believers are active in this work.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Ganpahadi. Rachepalli, Wadiguda and Ramnagar villages. For the blessing of follow up ministry done in Potegao, Vittalwada (Allapalli field) and Amruthguda areas (Asifabad). For the effectiveness of the drama program in the outreach ministry. God to give the right strategy to make a breakthrough in Jimmalgatta and Bande fields. For Oraon and Machi Gonds people groups who are receptive to get local evangelists and missionaries to work among them. For the opening of new fields to work among Raj Gonds and Madiya Gonds people group.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Benjamin B., Mr. Prodip Mushahary
Mrs. Jeba Jothi Paulraj, Mr. Jeruel Pani
Mrs. Madhu Kala Rameshwar Nirmal

Surgana:

Mayilsamy & Yesumani

Praise: Through the outreach program at Dugavadi village, a new family namely Kiran came into contact with us. Five families in Unbachapada and Keda villages are interested in the Gospel. God healed Santhabai of Pathardi village from chronic weakness and Janak Nadu Wagmare of Vangani village from breathing problems.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Keda village where many show interest in the Gospel. For the open door for the Gospel in Dungavadi village. For the salvation of Vanubai of Umberpada village from alcohol addiction.

Khandeshi Bhili Translation & Ner Field:

Ajay Kumar Lima & Pratyasini

Praise: Thirteen villages were

newly reached with the Gospel. God is enabling us to continue the Old Testament translation in Khandeshi Bhili smoothly. The Lord enabled us to start worship services newly in Bhandne and Nagai villages. Ministry started newly in Chimthana village where 5 persons show interest to the Gospel. Worship service was resumed in Behed village which was stopped due to some problems. God healed Leelabai of Bhandne village from chest pain, Battabai's son and Chaitanabai from tumour and Rajbai from throat problem.

Pray: For the Pastors and believers in the Bhil area to use the Khandeshi Bhili New Testament in the Churches and personal devotions. To start a worship service in Godavari and Chimthana villages. For the forthcoming programs like ladies meeting, VBS, elders meeting, youth meeting, Film program etc. to be successful. For the migrated believers who have gone to Gujarat and other places for works to come back safely. For the healing of Laxmibai of Persipur village from paralysis and Rohit of Vasmar village from dumbness. For the hindrances to be removed for the worship service to continue at Darkhel village.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Kanakanesam Chelladurai
Mr. Pon Augustin E., Mr. Sivakumar C.
Miss. Gayathri C.

Karnataka

Hubli Region: Sunil Data Kara & Meenakhi

Praise: Seventeen persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 18 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believers from Mundargi field systematically observed the Lenten days with prayer and fasting. Three families newly joined the worship at Shirahatti field. Church believers of Basavana Bagewadi joined the outreach ministry and conduct all the programs with local funds. Backslidden believers Shettappa and Shardamma of Basavana Bagewadi congregation were restored back to faith.

Pray: For the consolation of the family members of Channama of Khanapur field who passed away recently. God to bless the plan of starting a new prayer centre at Lingadahalli village of Khanapur field. For the Nanadagad congregation to grow both in quality and quantity. For the salvation of

the people of Utnall, Upaldani, Upaldani Thanda, Yearnalla and Jalihalla villages. God to strengthen our new believer Sahadeva of Shirhatti field who is haunted by the evil spirit which is cast by the neighbour quite often. Our believers Navin and Murugan to get lands to build their houses through Govt.scheme. For the spiritual growth of the believers of Ganedragada as they observed 1000 hours of prayer.



Persecuted, but not abandoned!

In Odisha, at Keonjhar mission field, our new believers Budhram Munda from Bangrudi village led a peaceful life in the Lord Jesus Christ. But in order to disturb them, the unbelievers started persecuting them for accepting Jesus Christ. Although they stood firmly in the faith of the Lord, they have undergone a lot of stress. At one point they planned to desert their own village, own house and own land and own business and planned to stay somewhere else. All of our prayers and counselling motivated them to stay in their own place itself and to love the neighbours who were persecuting them. As a result, they are continuing their witnessing life in their native place itself. Praise be to God.





Happy Birthday

Mr. Asir Moses Thiyagaraj S.
Mrs. Jyothimani Manoj
Mrs. Idiginala Mounika Godisela

Kolar Region: **Thimmesh & Kavitha**

Praise: Six people from Gangatta and Byrukur congregation confessed their faith in the Lord without any problem. Two families namely Seenappa and Sashikumar are coming to Church at Gangatta. Our believers join the outreach ministry in eight villages. Our Lord is using our believers Nanjamma, Ramkrishnappa, Niranjan and Muddappa in sharing Gospel to their relatives and their village people. God healed Venkateshappa, the one who donated his land for the Church, although his pelvic bone was damaged, ribs were broken, and his heart was damaged due to an accident. Our believers of Srinivasapura Church are attending Church regularly and they are bringing new people to Church.

Pray: For the new persons who attend our worship service regularly to come forward to confess their faith in the Lord. For the spiritual growth of the believers who observed the Lenten days systematically. For our believers Thyagaraj, Pushpa,

Krishnappa, Venkataratnamma and Narasimha to be bold enough to attend the worship service amidst opposition. For our believers who are facing some land problems and court cases. Because of these problems some are unable to come to Church programs and other activities. Pray that God may solve all problems. The Church repairing works in Gowribidanur, Gangatta, Malur and Seepur to be completed successfully.

Shiggaon: **Sunil Kumar & Sangita Sunil**

Praise: Five persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 7 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. In three Churches of this field, many new people are attending the worship service. God protected Shekar and his wife from a major accident. God healed Sunitha, the wife of our evangelist Basavaraj from ulcer and Shantakka from the injury due to a fall from bullock cart. God blessed the family of Vinayak and his brothers who got suitable jobs through prayers. God delivered Kalwate from alcohol addiction.

Pray: Our believer Shubas to get a good harvest from his field as he did not get anything during the last cultivation. Peace to prevail in the family of Krishana and Deepa. For the new seeker to join the Church without any problem. Our believer Iranna to be relieved from the debt of Rs. 8 Lakhs.



Mundgod:

Sunil Kumar & Sangeeta

Praise: Six persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 23 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God changed the heart of Parsuram who was an opponent of the Gospel, now invites missionaries to pray for him. The land dispute of Gangamma was amicably settled.

Pray: For the healing of Vijaykumar, a new believer from kidney failure and Ramesh from fracture of backbone due to an accident. For the salvation of Renuka as she is not joining the prayer along with her mother, a new believer. Our believer Kavitha to be blessed with a child.

Telangana

Asifabad:

Ramesh Vasava & Sunita

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Vijayabai from malaria, Ramdas from nervousness, Lingamma from chronic diarrhoea.

God protected Vinod from a major accident.

Pray: For the peace to prevail in the family of Laxmi. For the dispute on the Church land at Bhagya Nagar to be favourably settled. For the salvation of Ramesh Paul and Jayanand. Our believer Durpatha Laxman to be blessed with children.

Andhra Pradesh

Madanapalle:

Venkatesan & Sasikala

Praise: Six persons confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and one village namely Singaragunta was newly reached with the Gospel of Christ. Three women namely Sravani, Venkatalakshmi and Parvathamma were voluntarily involved in outreach ministries. God blessed monthly fasting prayer, Ash Wednesday Prayer, Believers Night meetings in 3 villages, New village night meeting in one village and two outreach programs. Everyday House to House prayer was started in Denduluru and it is growing with good results.

Pray: For the healing of Venkataramana, one of our seekers who met with an accident in which his face was severely injured and Bagamma from some complicated sickness. For our new contacts Kadharamma, Nagalakshmi and Kumar to stand firm in the Lord.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Sheeba G. Chandra Srinivasan
Mrs. Lamneiting Touthang
Mrs. Selva Merina Manasseh Daniel

Damalacheruvu: Prasanth Meesala & Rupa Kumari

Praise: Many new people received the Gospel in Maniyanampalli, Pilligundlapalli, Thotapalli and Yellampalli villages for the first time. God blessed the follow up ministry in Chowtindlu and Mallelacheruvupalli. Church elders informal gatherings as small Groups became a great blessing at Nellimandapalli, Tellagundalapalli, Goduguchintha and Polakala. People from Maniyanampalli and Satambakam are showing interest to the gospel.

Pray: For the hindrances to be removed for the people who are willing to confess their faith in the Lord. For the needed manpower to speed up and extend our ministries. For the consolation of the family members of our Church elder Yonah @ Jothesar who passed away recently. For all who experienced the miracle of God to come to the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the healing of Nagavardhanamma, the mother of our local evangelist

Ramachandru from cancer and Jothi of Pilligundlapalli from miscarriage.

Kalakada:

Vediappan & Lakshmi

Praise: One person came to the faith in Jesus Christ and one village namely Nampurivanal Palli was newly reached with the Gospel. Our new seeker Rathika of Kathvaripalli attends our worship regularly.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the believers who preached on the Seven Words of Jesus Christ uttered on the Cross. For the healing of Shaba of Kerampalli from backache, Seribha of Kummarampalli from chest pain, Santhamma of Devanapalli from eye problem and Lakshminarayana of Ehuvaappattavaripalli from paralysis.



The boy who bites tasted Jesus!

In Uttarakhand, at Bazpur mission field, Takurdash of Baravala village is a non-believer whose eight year old son was under the spell of the evil spirit. He would bite anyone who came near him. Everyone in the village was scared about him. His father Takurdash with sadness written on his face about his habit of biting, brought him to the missionary for prayer. The missionary made Ankit sit on the floor, placed his hand on the hand of Ankit and commanded the demon to get rid of the Ankit. The demon departed from Ankit. On seeing this miracle, many have confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Nagomi Matthew Jebaraj
Mr. Yesu Babu A., Mr. Niranjan Pall

Tamil Nadu

Thiruvallur: Paul

Anandhan & Sarah Jothy

Praise: God enabled us to give blanket to the believers of Venugopalapuram, dresses to the children of Muthu Kondapuram and saris to widows and down-trodden people.

Pray: For the salvation of the Revathy family and Chandrammal as they show interest to the Gospel. For the school children who are not able to attend the online classes due to the non-availability of smart phones. For the needs to be met for our believer's daughter who is doing her nursing studies. Land disputes to be amicably settled in the family of Kiruba of Athimanjori Pettai.

Kelamangalam:

Balasubramanian & Lucina

Praise: Our believer Pramesh of Soolagiri and Prabhakaran got suitable jobs. Almost all the believers are regularly attending the worship service. God blessed our believer Sharmila with a baby.

Pray: For the salvation of

Kaveriamma. For the water scarcity to be set aright in the hostel where our believers' children are studying. For the compound wall work to be completed in Ovepalayam and Kelamangalam areas.



**Lost blood, but the blood of Christ
was sufficient to save!**

In Maharashtra, at Jimmalaghatta mission field, Sunitha daughter of Jagga Veladhi from maadia Gond community from Erragadda village, was suffering with non-stop menstrual bleeding for few years so they took her to many places for treatment but she was not cured. Moreover, she became unconscious so the parents lost the hope of saving her life. Villagers started coming to see her dying. So her mother met our believers, urged for help and called our missionaries by phone to pray for her. When the missionaries went to their house, two persons brought her along with the bed. Missionaries prayed and encouraged them and arranged and took her to Jimalagatta PHC, where they gave first aid treatment and referred to Aheri Taluk Hospital as she had only 2 grams blood as did not take food for four days. She was very much in a serious condition. So our missionaries arranged the same ambulance and sent them to Aheri hospital and mobilized prayer for her healing. Five days later she got discharged from hospital and reached home with good health. When she arrived at her house, villagers came to see her and her father testified about Jesus and believers. Now the family is attending the worship regularly. Praise be to God.



FINISHED IT WELL

Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Kamaleson



***A voice so strong
Was noted when born,
A gift from God indeed,
Glorified he, God till the end.***

***Led by his friend Shankar
To Christ the Saviour
Staggered not from his commitment
Till he wrapped up his earthly tent.***

***Compassion was his trait
Listening was as his art
Pulled him to leadership
An answer to a mother's prayer.***

***Kingdom of God was his theme
Preaching Christ his forte
Led multitudes to the Cross
In Obedience to his Heavenly Boss.***

***His interest in agriculture
Led & shaped the children's future
Equipping the future generation
Did his part in their celebration.***

***Winning souls was his passion
Wavered not in this decision
Headed this great people movement
The Friends Missionary Prayer Band.***

***He felt his Lord's touch
Under a banyan tree ages ago
Developed many Ariel roots to
Sprout again to bear much fruit.***

***His speech,
endorsed with divine presence
Captivated his audience,
Mentored the novice
With his rich experience.***

***Blessed with three children
A loving wife to care
Lived a life fully well
Fulfilling his Father's Will.***

May His Soul Rest In Peace!

(Mrs. Mekala Prabahar)

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