

## Prayer Requests

Pray for all our church families, all ministers, all ministries.  
 Pray for those who are on Mission Trip Dr.Jacob Thomas & Family,  
 Ms. Sheryl to Cambodia, Pr.Thomas John & Family, Pr. Koshy Vaidyan to  
 India  
 Pray for the sick – members of our Church and outside of our Church  
 Pastor Aunty, Ponnammamma, Sis.Joice, Joel, Sheeba, Libu George Dubai ,  
 Nevin Thomas Newyork, Stephen Sam Dallas , Reji Varghese Phila  
 Pray for the unsaved ones, near and around.  
 Pray for the City, State, Nation and for India.  
 For all those who are planning to get married.  
 For all those who are seeking jobs.

### BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

Thomas Elias	01	Varghese Muttathil,Pr	23
Shantha Rajan	05	Susan Mathew	24
Jesni John	05	Joseph Cherian	25
Mariamamma Kuriakose	07	Jaya Manuel	25
Valsamma Abraham	09	Samu Thomas	25
Sarah Kuruvilla	09	Thomas Samuel, Pr.	27
Camille Soondar	14	Varghese T Z	27
Anju Varughese	14	Saramma George	28
Varghese M Varghese	15	Joel Kuruvilla	28
Preethy Jacob	16	Sally Thomas	29
Saramma Daniel	17	Mathew Cherian	29
Derine Thomas	19	<b>Josiah George 1st</b>	<b>30</b>
Annamma Benny	21	Benny Mathew	30
Rajan C.Varughese	23	Lilly Philip	30
		Dency S Thomas	30

### WEDDING ANNIVERSERIES

Pr.Stephen John & Jolly Stephen	- 08
Abraham P. George & Annie Abraham	- 10
Sam C. Mathew& Sheeja Sam	- 12
P.T. Thomas & Mariamma Thomas	- 20
Manuel John ( Sunny)& Jaya Manuel	- 21
Anish Koshy& Shy Koshy	- 26
Joseph Cherian& Rosamma Joseph	- 28
V A Thomas& Ponnammamma Thomas	- 30



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## Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you....

Praise the Lord. God gave His grace to our dear Pastor Appachan Rev.M.C.Abraham to come to the States 33 years ago, establish and lead our church thus far. God was with him in the growth of the church which was a great blessing and support to many individuals and families. Pastor Aunty's constant support and prayer life is really commendable and it was one of the secrets of Pastor's success. Pastor has left a legacy behind him and set an example which many of us can follow. Through his ministry and from many sweet memories and unforgettable experiences in our lives.



As it is written in **Philippians 1.5,**  
 He who has begun a good work in you will  
 complete it until the day of Jesus Christ", let's all earnestly pray and sincerely work in the spirit of unity and love so that this church will remain a blessing to many till the day our Lord comes back. If the Lord tarries, let many more souls be added to the church and thereby His kingdom may be expanded. May the Lord bless this dear servant of God, Aunty, and his generations to continue and work for the glory of God.

# A House that is Blessed

Mrs. Sally J. Thomas



Many Christians do not see their homes to be as sacred as the Church. They have undervalued and underestimated God's perspective and heart for the home. God created human beings, instituted marriage and established family.

The first community that God established was a family and a home. The Israelites did not have a formal place of worship until the tabernacle of Moses. So the place of worship was the home and all the worship was led by the head of the family. Deut.4:6-9. Now we have replaced home with church. So how do we re-initiate God's pattern in the home?

**1.Choose to make our home His Home** – Joshua 14:11-15 “As for me and my house we will serve the Lord”. Joshua made a choice for his home to serve only the Living God. He took a bold step against idolatry and paganism that prevailed in those days. Ask ourselves is my home His Home? Do we behave at home as we do in Church? We are surrounded by lot of opportunities to worship other things more than God. Is Jesus the center of our homes?

**2.Welcome His Presence to our Home** – 2 Sam. 6:9-11 “Lord blessed Obed-edom and his entire household”. For 3 months the ark of the Lord was seated in his house. I am sure this box changed the way they lived in their house. They were aware of the presence of the God Almighty. Inside this box were 3 items – The two stone tablets- represents God's Word in our home. A jar of Manna – God's Provision in our homes. Aaron's budding staff – God ordained leadership at home. Each of this should be represented in our homes too.

**3.Build an Ark of Salvation in our home** – Hebrews 11:7 “ By faith Noah being warned of God of things not seen yet... Prepared an ark to the saving of his house”. Noah did all he could to save his family from the judgment of God. He could not drag them into the ark, but he warned them, and built their way of escape. The salvation of our home is of great importance. Only God can save our family. But we can design our home in such a way that it always points towards Jesus- our Savior.

**So how do we begin to initiate God's plan:**

- Exalt God in our Home.
- Example Christ likeness in our Home.
- Encourage Faithfulness in our home.
- Educate our Children in God's way in our home.
- Establish Godly values in our home.

# Let Christ's Joy Become Your Joy

Miss.Roniya George



**I've told you these things for a purpose: that my joy may be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. (John 15:11)**

In John 15:11, Christ makes it clear to all His followers: He intended that His joy would become their joy. It's still true today- God wants us to share the love of Christ with His joy in our hearts. But sometimes, we lose the joy of Christ as we wrestle with the challenges of daily living. Sometimes it's hard to do what God wants us to do. Whenever we're stressed, or can't decide what to do next, the best thing to do is to pray about it. Though at times we know our choice is wrong, we still do it anyway. Nobody's perfect, and God knows that. He expects you to aim the right thing always, though it may not be possible always. Mistakes can happen, but He does expect you to learn something from the mistake, and try your best not to repeat it again. “The Lord is glad to open the gate to every knocking soul. It opens very freely. Enter at this moment through holy courage. Never be discouraged!” (C.H. Spurgeon) Even when we face the hardest problems in life, God will never leave you. Just remember to keep His word in your heart- Never let go of the joy and the love of God.

## Jeremiah 17: 5-8

യഹോവ ഇപ്രകാരം അരുളിച്ചെയ്യുന്നു; മനുഷ്യനിൽ ആശ്രയിച്ചു ജഡത്തെ തന്റെ ഭുജമാക്കി ഹൃദയംകൊണ്ടു യഹോവയെ വിട്ടുമാറുന്ന മനുഷ്യൻ ശപിക്കപ്പെട്ടവൻ. അവൻ മരുഭൂമിയിലെ ചുരച്ചെടിപോലെയാകും; നന്മ വരുമ്പോൾ അതിനെ കാണാതെ മരുഭൂമിയിലെ വരണ്ട പ്രദേശങ്ങളിലും നിവാസികൾ ഇല്ലാത്ത ഉവർനിലത്തിലും പാർക്കും.

യഹോവയിൽ ആശ്രയിക്കയും യഹോവ തന്നെ ആശ്രയമായിരിക്കയും ചെയ്യുന്ന മനുഷ്യൻ ഭാഗ്യവാൻ. അവൻ വെള്ളത്തിന്നരികെ നട്ടിരിക്കുന്നതും ആറ്റരികെ വേരൂന്നിയിരിക്കുന്നതുമായ വൃക്ഷംപോലെയാകും; ഉഷ്ണം തട്ടുമ്പോൾ അതു പേടിക്കയില്ല അതിന്റെ ഇല പച്ചയായിരിക്കും; വരൾച്ചയുള്ള കാലത്തും വാട്ടം തട്ടാതെ ഫലം കായിച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കും.