

## Prayer Requests

Pray for spiritual revival in our Church  
Pray for all our church families, ministers, ministries  
Pray for PFGA missionary work in Bihar (Purnea Dist)  
Pray for the sick – members of our Church and outside of our Church - Pastor Aunty, Joel, Pr.M.M.Varghese, Nevin Thomas NY, Stephen Sam Dallas, Shiny, Samu Thomas, Jonathan Peter, Molly Benny, Rita, Alyssa Peter  
Pray for the unsaved ones, near and around.  
Pray for the City, State, Nation and for India.  
Pray for Christians tortured in North Korea, Middle East, in different parts of India - Jharkhand, U.P., Chattisgarh, Karnataka, AP.

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## BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Abiya Varghese	01								
Tom Philip	02	Joy T. Daniel	26	The Lord bless you and keep you;					
Joel Alexander	03	Geejo George	26	the Lord make His face to shine					
Mary Abraham	03	Sharon Thomas	28	upon you and be gracious to you;					
Tabitha Philip	06	Abigail Ann Raina	26	the Lord lift up His countenance					
Joshi Koodathinalil	10	Abraham Cherian	30	upon you and give you peace.					
Alex C Chupakara	12			<i>Numbers 6 - 24, 25,26</i>					

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

George Mathew, Pastor & Susan Mathew	02
Jerin Johnson & Rincy	07
Roy Thomas & Grace Thomas	09
Sam Thomas & Steena Sam Thomas	14
Abraham Modayil & Susy Modayil	15
Sajan Abraham & Noby Abraham	15
Abraham Mettil & Annie	18
Thomas John, Pastor & Mercy John	18
Alex Chandy Chunakara & Blessy	21

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## “There Is No Other God”



Kenneth Soondar

**ISAIAH 44:6-11** 6“Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: ‘I am the First and I am the Last; Besides Me there is no God. 7 And who can proclaim as I do? Then let him declare it and set it in order for Me, since I appointed the ancient people. And the things that are coming and shall come, Let them show these to them 8 Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared it? You are My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed there is no other Rock; I know not one.”

## *Idolatry Is Foolishness*

9 Those who make an image, all of them are useless, And their precious things shall not profit; They are their own witnesses; They neither See nor know, that they may be ashamed. 10 Who would form a god or mold an image That profits him nothing? 11 Surely all his companions would be ashamed; And the workmen, they are mere men. Let them all be gathered together, Let them stand up; Yet they shall fear, They shall be ashamed together

These verses from the book of Isaiah are very profound words. Isaiah has highlighted to us the LORD's uniqueness as the only living God. We can see it also in similar terms in the previous chapters: In Isaiah 43:11 He says "I, I am the LORD and besides me there is no Saviour." In Isaiah 45:6; He says again "I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God;"

**In Isaiah 45:21** it reads as a warning. Tell the people and bring them near; Let them take counsel together: Who had declared this from ancient times? Who had told it from that time? Have not I the Lord? And there is no God else beside me: A just God and a Savior; there is none beside me. And in Isaiah 45: 22-23; He says. “Look unto me, and be saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, that unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance or confess.

God exalted Jesus Christ to the highest place, because He was the word of God from the beginning. He accomplished His Father's "WILL" and purpose on earth, by redeeming mankind from their sins. He paid a hefty price for us and suffered a cruel death. He was the second Adam who brought new life to all who have faith and belief in His sacrificial death, burial, resurrection and ascension to heaven. God gave Him the name above all names. He is the one that all nations and all people will worship when He returns to earth to set up His kingdom. Believers who believe in His name will receive Eternal life.

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**Paul in Philippians 2:10** informs the believers: "that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Scripture informs us, that the end time is drawing near, we are to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. As believers we must meet the Lord at the rapture sooner or later. Jesus encourages us in Luke 21:36 "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man."

### ശുഭകരമായ പ്രവൃത്തി

യെശുവാ 48:17 "യിസ്രായേലിന്റെ പരിശുദ്ധനും നിന്റെ വീണ്ടെടുപ്പുകാരനുമായ യഹോവ ഇപ്രകാരം അരുളിച്ചെയ്യുന്നു: ശുഭകരമായി പ്രവർത്തിപ്പാൻ നിന്നെ അഭ്യസിപ്പിക്കയും നീ പോകേണ്ടുന്ന വഴിയിൽ നിന്നെ നടത്തുകയും ചെയ്യുന്ന നിന്റെ ദൈവമായ യഹോവ ഞാൻ തന്നെ".

ദൈവത്തിൽ ആശ്രയിക്കുകയും ദൈവത്തെ അനുസരിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നവർക്ക് ചെയ്യേണ്ടതെന്തെന്നു തിരിച്ചറിയാനും അത് എങ്ങനെ നന്നായി ചെയ്യാമെന്നു ഗ്രഹിക്കാനുമുള്ള പഠനം വചനത്തിലൂടെ നൽകാൻ കർത്താവിനു കഴിയും. അങ്ങനെയാവുമ്പോൾ ജീവിതയാത്രയിൽ വഴി പിശകില്ല. എന്താണ് ചെയ്യേണ്ടതെന്നു തിട്ടമില്ലാത്ത അവസ്ഥയോ ഏതാണു പോകാനുള്ള വഴി എന്നറിയാതിരിക്കയോ ചെയ്താൽ മനുഷ്യർ ധർമ്മസങ്കടത്തിലാകും. എന്നാൽ ഒരു ദൈവപൈതലിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് വഴികാട്ടാൻ സർവ്വശക്തനായ കർത്താവ് തന്നെയാണ് കൂടെയുള്ളത്. വചനമാണല്ലോ നമ്മുടെ വഴികാട്ടി. അഭ്യസിപ്പിക്കുകയും നന്നായി നടത്തുകയും ചെയ്യാൻ ഒരു നടത്തിപ്പുകാരനുണ്ടായിട്ടും ധിക്കരിച്ചു നടക്കുന്ന ജനത്തെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള ദുഃഖമാണ് വായനാഭാഗത്ത് പ്രകടമാകുന്നത്. അനുസരിച്ചു നടന്നിരുന്നവെങ്കിൽ നദി പോലെ സമാധാനം പകർന്നുകൊടുക്കാൻ കഴിയുന്ന കർത്താവു തന്നെയാണ് ആ നല്ല നടത്തിപ്പുകാരൻ. എന്നാൽ ആളുകൾ അത് ഏറ്റെടുക്കാതെ ബോധിച്ച വഴിയിൽ നടന്നു ശിക്ഷാവിധിയാണ് പലപ്പോഴും ഏറ്റുവാങ്ങിയത്. അവരുടെ പ്രവർത്തികളൊന്നും ഫലം കാണാതെയും അവർ എന്തേണ്ട ഇടത്ത് എന്താതെയും ഇരുന്നു. അവരെ വീണ്ടെടുത്ത യഹോവയെ അവർക്കു ശരിയായി തിരിച്ചറിയാൻ കഴിയാതെ പോയതിനാലാണല്ലോ അവർ മിസ്രയീമു കാളക്കുട്ടിയെ ഉണ്ടാക്കിയിട്ട് യഹോവ എന്ന് പേരിട്ട് മിസ്രയീമു രീതിയിൽ ഉത്സവം ആഘോഷിച്ചത്. ദൈവീകമെന്നു ആരെങ്കിലും അവകാശപ്പെട്ടതു കൊണ്ടു മാത്രം എല്ലാം അങ്ങനെ ആയിരിക്കണമെന്നില്ല. ആയതിനാൽ വചനം മാനദണ്ഡമാക്കി ശോധന ചെയ്തു മാത്രമേ ദൈവത്തിന്റെ വഴിയോ എന്ന ഉറപ്പിക്കാനാവൂ.

### **Romans 12:12**

Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

Two guys were drinking in a bar. As they were drinking, they started arguing, one guy pounced on his friend and started beating him. After a long beating he realized that his friend was no longer breathing, he died instantly. Then the guy started running with his shirt full of blood. Those who were watching the fight started chasing him.

He ran to the house of a Christian man, knocked and said, "Can u please hide me, I have killed a person and people are chasing me." The Christian man replied, "Where am I going to hide you in my one room apartment?" The murderer said "There is no time to waste here, just think of anywhere you can hide me."



After a long thinking, the Christian man said to the murderer, "Give me your shirt and take my shirt but remember to keep my shirt clean" They exchanged their shirts. Then as soon as the Christian man opened the door, people started beating him and was badly injured and he was taken to the police station. From the police station, the case was taken to court and the man was found guilty of murder and was sentenced to death. The real murderer was safe at home but was feeling so guilty that he ran to the Court and said, "Can you please release that innocent man, I am the real murderer". The judge replied unfortunately it's too late, the man is already hanged ". He ran to the police where the man was hanged and for sure he found him dead hanging. He knelt down and cried and said to himself, "You paid for my crime"

He remembered the Christian's last words: "KEEP MY SHIRT CLEAN...!" That's how the murderer repented and became a Christian..!

This is what Jesus did for us. He died on the cross of Calvary for the crime He did not commit. Now if you are thankful to Jesus Christ, be a true Christian now onwards, instead of a pretending Christian.

"Only fear the Lord, and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you."

യഹോവയെ ഭയപ്പെട്ടു പൂർണ്ണഹൃദയത്തോടും പരമാർത്ഥതയോടും കൂടെ സേവിക്കുമാത്രം ചെയ്തിൻ; അവൻ നിങ്ങൾക്കു എത്ര വലിയ കാര്യം ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നു എന്നു ഓർത്തുകൊൾവിൻ.

(1 Sam 12:24)