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Christ from the Book of Hebrews – Praising

Hebrews chapter 10 clearly explains the new covenant we have received through the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on the cross, and the privilege we have gained to enter God's presence through it. This is not merely an experience of praising God inside a building; it is a living and new way opened through the blood of Christ, as well as an expression of our faith.

The Foundation of Praise – Jesus' One-Time Sacrifice (Hebrews 10:1–14):

Under the old covenant, priests stood daily and offered sacrifices year after year by shedding the blood of animals. However, those sacrifices could never fully remove sins.

- The Old Realm of Praise: It was filled with fear, guilt, and repeated sacrifices.
- The New Realm of Praise: Jesus Christ sanctified us once for all through the offering of His body (Hebrews 10:10). Therefore, the primary foundation of our realm of praise is the sacrificial work Jesus completed on the cross.

Praise Points:

- Lord, we praise you for your supreme love that sanctified us forever through your own holy blood shed in a single sacrifice, and not through the blood of animals.
- Jesus, who removed our guilt and redeemed us eternally, millions of praises to You!

The Gate of Praise – A Living Way That Produces Boldness (Hebrews 10:19–22):

At the death of Jesus, the veil of the temple was torn. Through this, He opened for us a new and living way through the curtain, that is, His flesh. Now we do not come with fear, but have reached a realm of praise where we can boldly praise God the Father, calling Him "Abba, Father" in love.

Praise Points:

- Our Heavenly Father, thank You for tearing the veil and giving us the privilege to enter the Most Holy Place boldly without fear.
- Our Redeemer, who gave us the privilege to worship in Your presence with a sprinkled conscience and a cleansed heart, we praise and adore You.

The Duties of the Realm of Praise – Faith and Good Works (Hebrews 10:23):

True praise does not stop with individual worship; it is also expressed in the fellowship of believers.

Praise Points:

- We praise you, the One who is faithful to His promises!
- Thank You for the church You have given us, where we can gather with believers to worship You and encourage one another in love and good works.
- God of our hope, who prepares us for the days of Your coming, we praise You.

Guarding the Realm of Praise – Warning Against Falling Back (Hebrews 10:26–39):

A believer who has reached this realm of praise must not disregard God's grace.

- If we deliberately keep on sinning after receiving the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left.
- We must not grow weary, but remain steadfast in the realm of praise.
- "Now the just shall live by faith; but if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him." (Hebrews 10:38)

Let us thank God for granting us this realm of praise, remain steadfast in faith, and live as worship warriors who continuously praise the Lord.

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For more prayer points kindly use

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Let Us Find Joy in the Field of Sufferings!

Warm greetings to the beloved friends of Kerith in the name of Jesus Christ!

Richard Wurmbrand and his wife Sabina, who endured years of torture in a communist prison, explained what they learned in this way: "In prison, we shed theology and learned God Himself." In a similar manner, Martin Luther said, "I did not understand the true meaning of the Scripture until I faced afflictions."

It is a principle of the Kingdom of God that suffering for the sake of Christ increases our joy in the Lord. Trouble and suffering will surely come to those who desire to live according to the Word of God for the sake of righteousness. When experiencing trouble in this world, the children of Christ should rejoice. For the more Christians suffer for righteousness, the higher the blessings they will receive.

When Paul tells Timothy: ***"In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted"***(2 Timothy 3:12).

Therefore, my dear young hearts, heavenly gifts and a share in the Kingdom of God are promised to those who suffer for righteousness and endure agony. Blessed are those who undergo affliction by remaining faithful to Christ, because the Holy Spirit rests upon them in a special way.

The Lord blessed the youth meetings held in the September month across the Arumanai, Tondiarpet, Choolaimedu, and Red Hills mobilization districts. Please pray without fail for the upcoming youth meetings, camps, and Mission Expo ministries scheduled for the month of October.

May the Lord Himself bless you all. Amen!

In Christ's Service,

J. Daniel Arulmani

Any experience that brings comfort and joy to both mind and body is pleasant. It is not something we wander around searching for, but rather an art we cultivate in our own lives. Here, we are invited to reflect on Naphtali, who emphasizes the wonderful message that true joy in life comes from receiving God's words and proclaiming them as good news to others.

Naphtali was born as the second son of Rachel's maidservant Bilhah and the sixth son of Jacob. Instead of viewing children merely as pleasant gifts from God, Rachel shaped her heart to make them symbols of jealousy and sibling rivalry. Celebrating her temporary victory, she named him Naphtali, saying, "With great wrestlings I have wrestled with my sister and have prevailed" (Genesis 30:8). Naphtali means "My Wrestling" or "My Struggle."

Naphtali's Mind-set and Character:

There are not many references to Naphtali in the Scriptures. In Jewish tradition, it is believed that Naphtali was the one who ran swiftly to bring the good news to Jacob that Joseph was alive. During the wilderness journey, they marched as the 12th (last) tribe in Israel's order and acted as the rear guard (Numbers 2:29). In the inherited land of Canaan, they did not drive out the Canaanites living in their territory (Judges 1:33). Later, under the leadership of Deborah, Barak—who belonged to the tribe of Naphtali - led a coalition army and defeated the Canaanites (Judges 4:6). They were praised for their bravery (Judges 5:18). Barak was also included in the list of heroes of faith (Hebrews 11:32). In the days of King Solomon, Hiram, the son of a widow from that tribe, was filled with wisdom, understanding, and skill to perform all kinds of bronze work for the construction of the Temple (1 Kings 7:14).

After King Solomon, the tribe of Naphtali in the divided Northern Kingdom of Israel was captured by the Assyrians (2 Kings 15:29) and later became the undesirable, forgotten, and humbled region of Galilee (Isaiah 9:1). Thus, the tribe of Naphtali served quietly without seeking high fame or attention.

A Father's Blessing:

In Genesis 49:21, Jacob spoke a short, clear blessing: "Naphtali is a deer let loose; he uses beautiful words." Unlike the strong, laboring animals assigned to other brothers, Naphtali is compared to a doe set free. This verse illustrates the experience of a deer that was once bound, now leaping freely across open mountains. Psalm 22 of David, which means "The Doe of the Morning," describes a celebration of contrasts - moving "from suffering to praise." The descriptions of suffering in this psalm directly depict the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on the cross; its theme as a hymn of praise for future hope provided through Him connects directly with the metaphor of Naphtali's leaping doe.

A Leader's Vision:

Leader Moses' vision concerning Naphtali was: "O Naphtali, satisfied with favor and full of the blessing of the Lord, possess the west and the south" (Deuteronomy 33:23). "God's favor" (Hebrew Ratzon) refers to His approval, describing His protection and prosperity. "God's blessing" (Hebrew Berakah) refers to the success and material possessions He bestows upon a person. In the far north of Canaan, northwest of the Sea of Galilee stretching up to the Lebanon mountains, the tribe of Naphtali received 19 cities in a beautiful mountainous region (Joshua 19:32–39).

Renowned historian and archaeologist Josephus described this region, called the "Valley of Gennesaret," as an "earthly paradise" and "nature's ambition." He described it as a land where different species of trees growing in various climates flourished together in harmony, ruled by a "perpetual spring."

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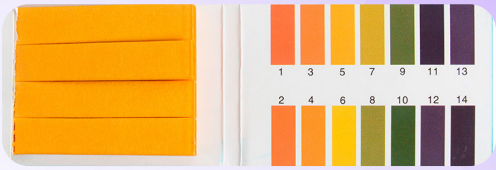
Litmus Paper & pH Paper



Hi Teens! Let us look into two paper strips we use in our school chemical laboratory: Litmus Paper and pH Paper.

Litmus Paper:

An indicator paper used to determine whether a substance is an Acid or Base. Its primary use is to check is it an acid or a base?

- Blue Litmus turns Red in an Acid.
- Red Litmus turns Blue in a Base.

pH Paper:

An indicator paper used to approximate the pH level of a solution. Its primary use is to determine how acidic or how basic a substance is. When pH paper comes into contact with a solution, it changes color. By comparing that color with a pH color chart, we can estimate its pH value.

pH Scale: 0 — 1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 | 7 | 8 — 9 — 10 — 11 — 12 — 13 — 14

- 0–6 Acidic
- 7 Neutral
- 8–14 Alkaline / Basic

The simple difference is:

LITMUS paper is used to know whether a liquid is acidic or basic, while pH paper is used to know how acidic or basic it is. You must understand that both indicators are needed. Why? Because the Scripture tells us in Matthew 12:34, "For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks."

"Let the Word of God be the pH paper that tests your life."

Let us first learn what things in our life are tested through Litmus paper and what things are tested through pH paper. Then we will see how to apply them.

What can we discover through LITMUS Paper?

In a chemistry lab, Litmus Paper helps us identify the basic nature of a solution. Similarly, in our lives, certain things reveal our inner nature.

The "LITMUS TEST" of Our Life:

- Our Words: The words we speak reveal what is inside our heart.
- Our Attitude: When circumstances change, our true attitude is exposed.
- Our Actions: Our actions show what we truly believe.
- Our Obedience: It shows not just whether we know the Word of God, but whether we obey it.
- Our Relationships: How we treat others reveals the condition of our heart.
- LITMUS Life Lesson: "What is the nature of my life?"

What can we discover through pH Paper?

In chemistry, pH Paper approximately shows how acidic or how basic a solution is. Similarly, in spiritual life, we can evaluate not just whether a quality exists, but at what level it exists.

The "pH TEST" of Our Life:

- Level of Faith: Is my faith growing?
- Level of Love: How much do I love God and others?
- Level of Obedience: Am I just a listener, or do I hear and act?
- Level of Prayer: Is my prayer life progressing?
- Level of Holiness: Is my life growing in dedication to God?
- Level of Word Connection: How much impact does God's Word have on my life?

Remember both easily:

- LITMUS TEST - "WHAT?": What is the nature of my life? (i.e., Character / Nature)
- pH TEST - "HOW MUCH?": At what level is it in my life? (i.e., Level / Growth)

In short:

- LITMUS asks: "What kind of person am I?"
- pH asks: "At what level am I standing?"
- God's Word asks: "How am I truly standing before God?"

"Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified. But I trust that you will know that we are not disqualified." (2 Corinthians 13:5, 6)

"In the chemistry lab, we test solutions; in life, we must test ourselves."

Ok, bye teens!

MR. ISAAC KAMALESH

Jim Elliot

(23.03.1967 - 01.12.1994)

Birth:

Jim Elliot was born on March 23, 1967, as the third son of Bro. Patrick Joshua (former General Secretary of FMPB) and Susheela.

Christian Upbringing:

Because his parents served as missionaries, he was raised in a spiritual environment from a very young age. He learned and walked in the ways of prayer, faith, holiness, simple living, and sacrifice. He was nurtured with a deep burden for perishing souls to be saved. His parents raised him to dedicate himself to missionary work by encouraging his participation in all gatherings of the Friends Missionary Prayer Band (FMPB).

Education:

Bro. Jim Elliot completed his +2 education at St. Paul's School, Chennai. Later, he pursued his undergraduate degree at Madras Christian College (MCC) and earned his Master's degree from Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur. He always took great pleasure in bringing joy to others, helping those in need, and encouraging the weary.

Joining EFICOR:

In 1991, Bro. Jim Elliot joined EFICOR. After completing his training with the organization, he was assigned to relief work assisting people affected by the earthquake in Varanasi. The 23-year-old Jim Elliot engaged himself with immense vigor and passion, working diligently to identify and fulfil the needs of the affected people.

Call to Minister Among the Malto People:

The plight of the Malto people deeply touched Jim Elliot's heart. Upon hearing that they were perishing due to diseases like malaria, kala-azar, cholera, and tuberculosis, he determined in his heart to help them. He dedicated himself in the Lord to the Malto people so that they might accept Jesus and gain access to health and well-being.

Loving the Malto People More Than His Own Family:

Once, when Jim Elliot's mother was critically ill and in a life-threatening condition, he was asked not to leave for Jharkhand. However, stating that thousands of mothers were on their deathbeds there and that saving them was his primary duty, he set out. While Jim Elliot was en route, his mother went to be with the Lord. He immediately returned, performed the last rites for his mother, and then headed back to Jharkhand.

Jim Elliot's Efforts to Protect the Malto People from Malarial Mosquitoes:

To protect the Malto people from malarial mosquitoes, he led initiatives to spray D.D.T. in houses across various villages. Over a period of six months, he walked miles on foot to cover more than 290 villages to complete this work. Government officials and non-Christian people alike were deeply astonished by his dedication.

Jim Elliot's Vision for the Malto People:

Bro. Jim Elliot yearned for the Malto people to progress economically like other communities and actively encouraged Malto children to pursue education. He envisioned them becoming a strong and empowered community. He used to say that the Malto people, who then bore sorrowful faces, would one day be seen with smiling faces. He worked tirelessly declaring that no Malto person should die of such deadly diseases within his sight.

Noble Service Rendered for the Malto People:

The Malto people were severely affected by diseases like malaria and cholera, and due to a lack of adequate medical facilities, diseases spread rapidly, causing people to die in large numbers. Therefore, Jim Elliot joined the medical team and transported

the sick to hospitals on his two-wheeler day and night. Despite being highly educated, he did not consider it above him to prepare rice porridge in clay pots for the sick. He stood as a living example of simplicity and love.

Jim Elliot's Dream of a Healthcare Center:

He envisioned a hospital built specifically for the Malto people who lacked medical access. Today, his dream has been fulfilled! A hospital has been established in his memory at Chandragoda in the Barheit region. Doctors and nurses serve here using modern medical equipment. It is an undeniable truth that this hospital came into existence through the authentic vision and unceasing prayers of 23-year-old Jim Elliot.

Jim Elliot's Love for Malto Children:

Jim Elliot loved Malto children dearly, holding them lovingly in his arms with joy. Far from shunning them as dirty, he wholeheartedly bathed them, cut their nails, trimmed their hair, applied oil to their heads, and dressed their wounds. He also simply explained to the parents how to raise their children and the true importance of education.

Bro. Jim Elliot's Humility and Simplicity:

Bro. Jim Elliot was born into a comfortable, well-to-do family. Though he had every opportunity to live comfortably, he chose a very simple lifestyle. He gave away a major portion of his monthly income to help the poor and needy. He carried out his ministry using a simple cardboard box to hold his clothes and belongings. He ate alongside the poor and slept on the floor with them at night. He accepted the humble food provided by the Malto people with great joy. When Elliot's father suggested buying a cot for him, he declined, saying a simple sleeping mat was more than enough.

Bro. Jim Elliot's Heart's Desire:

He labored tirelessly with the vision that the Malto people should be delivered from the bonds of oppression. He longed for the oppressed Malto community to rise and become a self-governing, leading community. He desired every Malto person to be educated and enjoy full access to basic amenities like everyone else. He labored for this cause and endured many hardships.

Bro. Jim Elliot's Death:

While carrying out medical ministry for the Malto people, Bro. Jim Elliot was stricken with cerebral malaria and jaundice. As his condition became critical, he was taken to the AG Hospital in Kolkata. However, on December 1, 1994, he was called to heaven to spend his days with God. Jim Elliot, who labored tirelessly day and night for the Lord, was called home by God for eternal rest. During his funeral service, his father, Mr. Patrick Joshua, remarked that he would see his son in the Kingdom of God along with many Malto people. 26-year-old Jim Elliot was laid to rest in Barharwa.

Tributes Paid During the Prayer Service for Bro. Jim Elliot:

- *Malto People: They wept, saying, "When will we ever see this good brother again, who set out for our welfare even when his own mother was on her deathbed?"*
- *Missionaries: He used to say he would lay down his life for the Malto people, and he lived up to those words by giving his life. He was a man of immense care, love, and integrity in identifying and fulfilling the needs of the Malto people.*
- *Mr. Patrick Joshua: He shared that one night Jim discussed the advancement of the Malto people with him, emphasizing that they must be uplifted. Jim truly sacrificed himself for the Malto people.*
- *Malto Youth: They pledged, "We will fill the void left by Bro. Jim Elliot." Many young people in Tamil Nadu also took a vow to step up and fill Jim Elliot's place.*

Conclusion:

Mr. Patrick Joshua offered his 26-year-old son Jim Elliot as a sacrifice for the Malto people, sending him to Jharkhand specifically to save them. There are many different communities of people in our nation today. What is our role in bringing them to the Lord?
Renounce the world and come boldly!
Realize the noble calling and come!
Will you not come with compassion
To redeem human souls perishing in sin?

Obeying this voice of God, Jim now smiles as a beautiful flower in the Lord's garden. Dear young readers! Are you ready to endure sufferings for Jesus Christ, live as a witness, and join the ministry of gathering souls for Heaven?

The context of Haggai's prophecy is a message delivered to the people of the southern kingdom of Judah, which comprised the tribes of Judah and Benjamin. Haggai and Zechariah were prophets who lived during the same era, as recorded in Ezra chapters 5 and 6. The name Haggai means "My Feast."

To contrast the two prophets: Haggai ministered for four months, whereas Zechariah ministered for four years. Haggai's four-month ministry consists of four messages, delivered across three-month intervals this forms the core of the book. The significance of these messages is underscored by the inclusion of exact dates, days, and months. Was this message delivered to all the people? No, it was primarily directed to the leaders. Comparing this to present times, we can say it is a timely message for modern-day leaders as well. Whether in churches, institutions, or organizations, everything usually starts with excellence - obedience, stepping out for Christ, and initiating the work. However, over time, a shift occurs: they abandon building God's Kingdom and focus instead on constructing their own kingdoms.

Scripture refers to Haggai as "the messenger of the LORD." He was likely around 70 years old at this time. As mentioned earlier, the core essence of the message was directed to two key leaders: Zerubbabel the governor and Joshua the high priest.

Let us briefly trace back the historical background:

The first king of Israel was Saul, the second was David, and the third was Solomon. After Solomon, the kingdom split into two. Ten tribes joined to form the northern kingdom known as Israel, while two tribes - Judah and Benjamin formed the southern kingdom of Judah. Both groups failed to observe the Sabbath and turned holy festivals into mere rituals. They committed series of sins including falsehood, immorality, and turning away from God. After 210 years, Israel was destroyed and scattered by the Assyrians. The people of Judah, on the other hand, presumed that because the Temple was in their midst, God would never hand them over to their enemies. Although that assumption had a historical basis, they refused to turn away from their sins.

The 12 Minor Prophets and 4 Major Prophets were sent to these two kingdoms. After 325 years, Judah fell into captivity to Babylon. The people of Judah went into exile in three successive waves and remained captive in Babylon for about 70 years. Eventually, the Persian Empire conquered the Babylonians. King Darius (Cyrus) of the Medo-Persian Empire proclaimed good news to the Jews:

"You may return to your land and rebuild the ruined Temple." Scripture accurately notes that approximately 50,000 people obeyed and returned. Now let us enter the Book of Haggai.

The high priest, the governor, and the people complied with the king's decree and returned to their native land with immense enthusiasm to rebuild the Temple. With royal authority and support, they first built the altar and laid the foundation of the Temple. However, they lacked the wisdom to deal with the local inhabitants already present and failed to handle the opposition from the Samaritans. As a result, 16 years passed by with the Temple remaining incomplete, standing only on its foundation. Two years after their return, the people had diverted their attention to building their own houses. Consequently, there was no yield in agriculture, leading to economic loss and inflation. This is precisely what the prophet Haggai addresses with a warning. Under the Old Covenant, Scripture promises earthly blessings for obedience (cf. Leviticus 26:18–20, Deuteronomy 28:38–40).

Now let us look at how the Book of Haggai is structured:

- Chapter 1: A message delivered in September.
- Chapter 2 (verses 1–9): A message delivered in October.
- Chapter 2 (remaining verses): Two messages delivered in December.

The first message in September was a call to action—a Message direct to the HAND. The second message in October offered encouragement and patience—a Message direct to the HEART. The two messages in December can be described as a Message direct to the HEAD.

Summary of the Four Messages:

- God's Instruction: Rebuild the Temple!
- The People's Indifference: They claimed, "The time has not yet come to rebuild the LORD's house."
- God's Reminder regarding Their Attitude: While the Temple lay in ruins, they lived in panelled, luxurious houses. Consequently, they planted much but harvested little; they attempted many things, but faced failure in all.
- God's Assurance: "If you rebuild, I will bless you."

In summary, the people failed to prioritize what truly mattered. Living in panelled houses was not inherently wrong, but they failed to give priority to what belonged first. Secondly, they failed to learn from their failures or reflect on what God expected of them.

Don't Give Up on the temple / Do Go Up on the mountain / Get All Stirred Up about the Lord.

In the first part of Chapter 2, emotions of both weeping and joy were mixed during the construction of the second, simpler Temple. This was because some of the older generation remembered the glory and splendor of the first Temple (Solomon's Temple).

The message in the latter part of Chapter 2 calls them to: "Consider your ways!" Haggai wanted the people to reflect on two realities:

1. Past troubles and failures.
2. Future promises.

Finally, Zerubbabel is elevated—God promises that He will honor and exalt this faithful governor of Judah on that day, making him like a signet ring.

Dear brothers and sisters! The key lesson from Haggai is that the zeal with which you start must continue throughout your life. You must know how to prioritize what is essential in life. In the midst of setbacks, you must discern what God is speaking to you. Through these two chapters, God can speak many things to your heart. He will also keep you as a signet ring. Amen!

COME, LET'S GO TO THE NEXT VILLAGE!

MAINPAT MISSION FIELD
CHATTISGARH

MAINPAT is the "Shimla of Chhattisgarh" This a community development Block 55 kilometers from Ambikapur. This hill station is famous for the Ulta Pani or Bisar Paani (Reverse water) which seems to defy the gravity and flows upward In 1962-63, a lot of Tibetans migrated to India. The government of India allotted them land at Mainpat hill. The Home Ministry gave 3,000 acres of land to about 1,400 Tibetan Immigrants.So called as "Mini Tibet ".
Mainpat is a Development Block in Surguja District, Chhattisgarh, covering 48 villages. The block administration is headed by a Block Development Officer (BDO)

Elevation & Terrain:
Perched at an average elevation of 1,100 meters (3,200 feet) above sea level, consisting of a group of rolling plateaus and dense Sal forests.

Demography:
Known for its Indigenous tribal communities (such as the Oraon, Kanwar, and Pahadi Korwa) alongside a prominent Tibetan refugee settlement established in the 1960s.
WE LIKE TO SERVE AMONG PAHADI KORWA PEOPLE
Pahadi Korwa (Hill korwa) is one among 75 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) / Scheduled Tribes of India

a. Total population of the people group according to the census: 1.30 Lakhs
b. Total number of Villages in the specific area: 54

Language:
Mother tongue is Korwa (belonging to the Munda branch of the Austroasiatic family). They also speak Chhattisgarhi and Sadri.

Socio-Economic Structure:
Traditionally hunter-gatherers, the Pahadi Korwa rely heavily on forest produce. Many practice Jhoonga kheti (a form of shifting/subsistence cultivation). Often leading them to work as farm laborers due to land loss or high-interest debts from outside merchants.

Housing:
They traditionally build small, isolated mud huts (kumbas) thatched with grass and sal leaves. Their hamlets are frequently dispersed, keeping households quite distant from one another.

Rituals & Beliefs:
Ancestor worship is central to their spiritual life. They consider fire sacred and keep it burning continuously in their homes to ward off evil spirits. They hold deep animistic roots, attributing childhood illnesses and natural hardships to a mix of natural elements and supernatural forces

1. Literacy percentage among the men % ---22%
2. Literacy percentage among the women %-----around 10%

FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS:
1. "Shimla of Chhattisgarh" to cherish
2. FMPB is working for the last 10 years. Along with Oraon community in Sitapur, Ambikapur filed missionary doing ministry among Korwa people with believers and church
3. New Testament and Jesus Film is available through Wycliffe India Mission

Pray for .....
1. May the Lord raise missionaries with special burden to serve among among these people
2. Fear of Evil spirit by lighting light be vanished by the light of Jesus
3. Let education and Social development may happen among this vulnerable people

SPAIN

Spain is a beautiful nation in Europe, famous for its breathtaking art and architecture, rich food culture and traditions, and stunning Mediterranean beaches. It is a land full of history, creativity, and vibrant celebrations. Yet, many young people in Spain are searching for hope and faith in a society that is becoming more secular.

Capital	*: Madrid*
Language	*: Spanish*
Political System	*: Parliamentary Constitutional Monarchy*
Population	*: ~48 million*

Religious Overview

- *Around 60–65% of Spain population identify themselves as Roman Catholic, though active church attendance is much lower.*
- *Approximately 25–30% of the population identify themselves as atheist, reflecting Europe's trend toward secularism.*

Special Events:

- *The International Conference on Roman Catholic Church and Christianity (ICRCCC) is going to be held at Barcelona, Spain on October 1, 2026 and the National Catholic Youth Congress in Madrid is among the Catholic Christian events taking place in October 2026.*
- *These gatherings aim to foster discussions on the influence of the Catholic Church in public life, political engagement and youth activism, while encouraging faith-based leadership among young Catholic Christians.*

Prayer Points for Spain:

- *Unemployment in Spain: Many youth in Spain are facing unemployment and housing crises. Let us pray that Lord God almighty be their refuge in times of uncertainty, and provide for their daily needs.*
- *Addictions: A lot of young people are struggling with drug and cocaine habits. Let us pray that God should break the chains of addiction, heal their heart, minds and soul.*
- *Revival among Youth: Since secularism is dominating in Spain let us pray that the hearts of youth to seek Christ earnestly. Let us pray that they revive their faith so that Jesus will raise them as bold witnesses who shine his light in schools and workplaces.*

Jeremiah 29:12: "Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

Mission Field Concerns

Medical and Healthcare Welfare Initiatives

Beloved in Christ,

In the Scriptures, we see that during the days the Lord Jesus Christ lived in this world, He not only proclaimed the message of the Kingdom of God to the people for the salvation of their souls, but He also healed the sick and diseased. Jesus desired that people be healthy not just in spirit, but in body as well. Furthermore, we read in the Bible that He gave His disciples power and command to heal the sick.

As we lead people toward repentance by sharing the message of the Kingdom of God in our mission fields, we must not stop at praying for missionaries to receive deliverance from physical suffering and sickness. We are also actively engaging in medical services provided by God among the people.

Although we implement a few medical and healthcare welfare programs in our mission fields, we realize in every state that the needs remain great. Therefore, we lovingly request you to pray that medical and health welfare initiatives expand and flourish across our mission boundaries.

Points for Praise

- *Primary Health Center in Jharkhand: Praise God for the Primary Health Center being run in Chandigola, Jharkhand, through our organization.*
- *Partner Organizations: Praise God for the medical and healthcare welfare initiatives carried out through partner non-governmental organizations across our mission boundaries.*

Points for Prayer

- *New Initiatives: Pray that God grants success to efforts aimed at launching medical welfare programs in needy regions.*
- *Medical Personnel: Pray that God raises up necessary doctors and medical personnel to fulfill medical and healthcare welfare programs in the mission fields.*
- *Financial Needs: Pray that all financial needs for medical and healthcare welfare programs are met without hindrance.*
- *Government Approvals: Pray for receiving required government permits and no-objection certificates (NOCs) to launch and run healthcare welfare programs.*
- *Medical Camps: Pray that God grants success to the efforts taken to organize medical camps in mission fields.*
- *Health Awareness: Pray that health awareness is imparted to people living in extremely backward regions, enabling them to benefit.*
- *Cross-Cultural Medical Missionaries: Pray that medical professionals come forward to engage in cross-cultural missionary work to serve and bring relief to underprivileged people.*
- *Healing for Patients: Pray for complete healing for patients visiting our hospitals and participating in our medical camps.*
- *Villagers Suffering from Illness: Pray for total healing for villagers suffering from various sicknesses in mission villages.*
- *Expanded Services: Pray that essential medical and healthcare welfare programs are comprehensively prepared and properly executed for the poor and needy in our mission fields.*
- *Protection for Medical Staff: Pray that God blesses and protects all doctors and staff serving in medical care amid various challenges in mission fields.*
- *Mission Hospitals across India: Let us pray that God blesses all mission hospitals raised across India, and that countless people are blessed through this ministry.*

Rev. Daniel David

Screen Addiction Syndrome

What?

Screen addiction syndrome refers to excessive use of digital screens, such as smartphones, tablets, computers, gaming devices, and television. It can interfere with a person's sleep, studies/work, relationships, physical activity, and emotional well-being.

Why?

Screen addiction can develop due to easy access to smartphones, the quick rewards of social media, games and videos, frequent notifications (WhatsApp, Snapchat, Instagram, and Facebook), boredom, loneliness, stress or anxiety, and a lack of clear limits on screen time.

How?

Common signs of screen addiction include difficulty reducing screen time, loss of interest in offline activities, poor concentration, staying up late using devices, irritability when unable to use gadgets/smartphones/television, reduced physical activity, and less face-to-face interaction.

Statistics:

1. 85.5% of Indian households own at least one smartphone (2025)
2. A 2024 survey of over 70,000 urban Indian parents found that 66% said their children were hooked to online games, streaming, or social media, while 58% noticed more aggression or impatience in their children following regular screen exposure
3. 95% of Indian parents in a 2024 Baatu Tech survey said they were deeply concerned about screen addiction in their children.
4. The ASER 2024 survey found 89.1% of rural Indian teenagers aged 14–16 have smartphone access at home -- of those teenagers, only 57% use their smartphones primarily for education — while 76% use them primarily for social media
5. The age at which Indian children get their first smartphone is getting younger, with many children in urban families receiving one between 9 and 12 years of age.
6. Only 3% of Indians are estimated to have a healthy relationship with technology.

"Set your minds on things above." — Colossians 3:2

Prayer points:

1. Pray that the young people to have the wisdom and self-control to use technology in a healthy and balanced way.
2. Pray against anxiety, loneliness, comparison, distraction, and negative thoughts that can be increased among youngster due to excessive screen use.
3. Pray that screen use will not replace meaningful relationships with parents, siblings, friends, teachers, and church fellowships.
4. Pray for protection from content, online interactions, and influences that may harm their minds, values, or faith.
5. Pray for parents to have wisdom, patience, and consistency in setting healthy boundaries around technology.
6. Pray that young people will choose time with God over endless scrolling and allow His Word to shape their thoughts and choices.

THE MISSIONARY WHO BROUGHT DAWN TO THOSE WAITING FOR THE DAY

A SWEET CONVERSATION WITH

REV. P. RAJADURAI

Introduction of the Missionary:

My native place is Kudankulam in Tirunelveli district. I was born on April 2, 1957, as the 6th son to Mr. Perinbanayagam and Mrs. Amirtham. My father accepted Christianity for the sole purpose of marrying my mother. After four daughters, my mother had my elder brother and me through prayer. My mother loved me dearly and brought me up in a Christian home environment. I was raised to attend church regularly, sing in the church choir, and participate in outreach ministry alongside church members. "

Question: When did salvation happen in your life?

Missionary's Answer: On January 24, 1978, at a convention meeting conducted by Pastor Rajendran at Palayamkottai Market Ground, I was among the attendees. During the prayer time, the pastor said: "The Lord Jesus Christ is standing before you weeping. Seeing your illusory life, He is shedding tears for you. Even though you live a life against Him, He loves you. He cries for you so that you may repent. "These words led me to surrender my life to Jesus. From that day on, my old life changed and I became a new creation.

Question:How did you receive the burden for ministry? What was your parents' state of mind at that time?

Missionary's Answer: One afternoon, while reading Ezekiel chapter 2, the Lord called me into prophetic ministry through verse 5. Immediately, I resigned from my job and went home. At home, I had two unmarried elder sisters, and my parents were over 70 years old, counting on me to support them in their old age. When I told them I was leaving for ministry in North India and would no longer be able to support them financially, my parents and two elder sisters began to cry, worrying about their future. However, my mother recalled: "When I prayed for a son, the Lord removed my reproach by giving me your elder brother and you. But the Lord took your brother at the age of 12. Now, He is calling you for His ministry. I joyfully hand you over to the Lord who removed my reproach. "With that blessing, she sent me off to the ministry.

Question: How did you join the Friends Missionary Prayer Band (FMPB)?

Missionary's Answer: Having dedicated myself to Christ, I was doing part-time ministry when an acquaintance asked about my future plans. Learning of my desire to serve full-time, he offered to introduce me at the FMPB Promotional Office in Palayamkottai. He took me there and introduced me to Mr. Duraising and Mr. Israel. Through them, I learned about FMPB's work, dedicated myself to ministry in North India, and officially joined FMPB on January 6, 1979.

Question: What challenges did you face in missionary work, and what were the fruit of your labor?

Missionary's Answer: From April 1981, I served for seven years in the Job at mission field in Madhya Pradesh, but no one took baptism during those seven years. In May 1987, I got married. In September 1988, when our eldest son was four months old, we began work on the banks of the Narmada River in the Vindhya Mountains, centered on Kawant block in Chhota Udaipur taluk, Baroda district, Gujarat. Even after coming to Kawant, there was no fruit for two years. So my wife Bathsheba and I fasted and prayed for two days. The Lord spoke to us through Luke 5:4 ("Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch").Following this, we learned about Ambadungar, a village 13 km from Kawant located on a mountain at an elevation of 4,000 meters. We heard that about 125,000 Dungra Bhil tribal people lived in those mountains along the Narmada River and set out to reach them.We met the village Panchayat president and shared the Gospel. He accepted Jesus and asked us to conduct a weekly bhajan (worship gathering) at his house every Sunday night. During these prayer gatherings, his wife who had been tormented by an evil spirit and ill for 18 years was completely healed. As a result of this ministry: Over 12,000 souls received Christ in that region. God graciously enabled us to care for 100 children in a hostel to support their education.

Question: What would you like to share with the readers of Kerith?

Missionary's Answer: When the Lord called me, it felt as though I was leaving my parents and two sisters stranded. But just as He promised, the Lord arranged good marriages for both my sisters and provided for my parents without any lack. If I had stayed back to take care of only my parents and sisters, those 12,000 people might still be in darkness today. According to Mark 10:29-30, when we obey the Lord, we are blessed, and others are blessed through us.

Prayer Points:

- For the Dungra Bhil Believers: Pray that the tribal believers who accepted Jesus remain steadfast in their faith and live as bold witnesses.
- For Hostel Children: Pray for divine wisdom and spiritual growth for the children staying and studying in the hostel.
- For Rev. Rajadurai & Family: Pray for the ongoing ministries of Rev. Rajadurai and the families of his children.

Sleep Divorce

Hello All, Last month, we looked into and prayed about the topic "Prodigal Mate." This month, under the topic "Sleep Divorce," let us study the insights and the prayer points based on it, and make our supplications to God. Although there are various pieces of information regarding "Sleep Divorce" on social media platforms, let us focus specifically on how Sleep Divorce presents itself among youth.

We often fail to realize the importance of sleep! Even if we skip sleep at one point, we try to compensate for it by sleeping longer the next time. When we keep doing this continuously for days, it turns into a habit. Without our knowledge, our daily lifestyle undergoes a drastic change. The consequences of any habit become fully evident only when it matures—and that is exactly the case with "Sleep Divorce," friends!

We avoid sleeping during our sleep time, and during those hours, we study, chat with friends on WhatsApp or Instagram, or spend hours playing mobile games. Moreover, during these late-night hours, we can do our work without any disturbance, allowing us to focus completely. To our eyes, this appears like a smart, bright light bulb idea. So, you do all your work at night, and then, with the satisfaction of having finished your work, you go to sleep.

As a result, you are only able to wake up late in the morning. Consequently, reading the Bible and praying are often skipped or compressed into just five minutes before we jump into our daily routine! The bottom line of the matter is that we allocate merely five minutes to God, who created us, while dedicating many hours to trivial work that holds far less value!

"They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness." (Lamentations 3:23)

"I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me." (Proverbs 8:17)

"My eyes are awake through the night watches, that I may meditate on Your word." (Psalms 119:147–148)

My personal opinion is that if we have a situation where we must work late at night, we can finish our work, read the Bible, pray, and then go to sleep.

On the other hand, there is another group of people who spend all their time sleeping. Due to excessive sleep, they are unable to carry out their work, studies, or homework, failing to accomplish things on time. As a result, they develop a mindset of feeling like "failures" in life.

"Do not love sleep, lest you come to poverty; Open your eyes, and you will be satisfied with bread." (Proverbs 20:13)

Sleep is not wasted time; it is a vital component of physical growth, learning, memory, emotional regulation, and mental health!

Prayer Points:

- *Let us pray that the worldly and human forces keeping youth in various forms of addiction that prevent them from sleeping properly are broken.*
- *Let us pray for youth to be delivered from irritability, mental exhaustion, depression, and hormonal imbalances caused by sleep deprivation.*
- *Let us pray that young people realize the serious physical health consequences of sleep deprivation, such as obesity, Type 2 diabetes, and cardiovascular or neurological issues, and act wisely.*
- *Let us pray that youth are delivered from the vicious cycle of scrolling through Reels to relieve stress, only to end up in deeper stress due to its contents and the guilt of wasting time.*
- *Let us pray with burden for teenagers and young adults who spend hours late at night talking secretly to friends, playing mobile games, or browsing inappropriate websites, and then react with irritation and quarrel with parents who try to wake them up in the morning.*
- *Let us pray for young people who harm their health by staying up all night studying or working due to the pressures of technology, exams, and training.*
- *Let us pray that young women cultivate the habit of rising early in the morning, like the "Virtuous Woman" described in Proverbs 31, and shine as godly, virtuous women.*
- *Let us pray on our knees that God plants the deep desire in every young person and teenager to rise early in the morning to read the Bible and pray.*

In our mission fields, our workers are actively involved in translating the Bible into 14 unwritten languages (languages without a script) so that believers can read the Scriptures in their native tongues. Let us intercede before God's presence for our workers carrying out these translation efforts.

No.	Language	Workers / Missionaries	Current Status
1	Warli Nihri	Mr. G. Abraham & Family	New Testament translated
2	Warli Dogri	Mr. G. Abraham & Family	New Testament translated
3	Warli Davari	Mr. G. Abraham & Family	New Testament translation in progress
4	Chowdhary	Mr. Christopher Thomas & Family	New Testament translated
5	Haryanvi	Mr. Sudharsan Thomas & Family	New Testament translation in progress
6	Kurukh	Mr. Thomas & Family	New Testament translated
7	Khandeshi Bhili	(No assigned worker)	New Testament translated
8	Dungra Bhil	Mr. Sunil Matthew & Family	New Testament translated
9	Pawri	Mrs. Jane Immanuel	New Testament translated
10	Vasavi Amburi	Mr. Rajendran	New Testament translated
11	Vasavi Deowali	Mr. Rajendran	New Testament translated
12	Vasavi Khandesi	Mr. Rajendran	New Testament translated
13	Malto Sauria	Mr. George Edward & Family	Full Bible translated
14	Kumar Pahadia	Mr. George Edward & Family	New Testament translation in progress

Prayer Points

- *For Translators & Assistants: Pray for the local language assistants helping with the translation process, and that the work may continue without any hindrances.*
- *Health & Strength: Pray for the physical health and strength of the workers, uninterrupted progress in the field, and the speedy completion of remaining un-translated books.*
- *Review & Verification Team: Pray for divine wisdom, grace, and continuous good health for all members of the Translation Checking Committee as they review and verify the translated texts.*
- *Complete Bible Translation: Pray that God grants His heavenly help so that the full Bible can be translated and published in all these languages.*
- *Impact & Spiritual Growth: Pray that believers and local communities eagerly receive, read, and grow in faith through the published books.*

VIRAL NEWS

EXPENSIVE BABIES

Affluent healthcare has turned the sacred miracle of birth into a monetized commodity, exploiting anxious parents with unnecessary procedures while draining family finances.

- Lets pray healthcare bring ethics back into healthcare and protect vulnerable families from being financially exploited during one of life's most precious moments.

BRICS

While these high-profile summits burn massive funds on bulletproof security and luxury, ordinary citizens arenfooting a multi-million-dollar bill for hollow communiques.

- Pray that these leaders pursue genuine peace, transparency, and policies that truly uplift everyday people rather than just political alliances.

ROOMATES UPDATE

Beyond eroding traditional boundaries, the unchecked commercialization of co-ed co-living PGs severe safety risks, unregulated environments, rampant peer pressure, and a total breakdown of personal accountability.

- We need to pray so God can guard the hearts and minds of the youth, giving them the strength to honor purity, recognize hidden dangers and protect their well-being.

PLASTIC PROFITS, POISONED POCKETS

While brilliant young minds win meager grants to invent biodegradable plastics, multi-billion-dollar industries turn a blind eye to toxic zones like Ennore—where rampant corporate greed and unchecked consumerism choke marine life and force young children to gasp for air through chronic asthma.

- Look to God in prayer so the grip of destructive greed and consumerism can be broken and protect innocent wildlife, and heal the little children suffering from toxic pollution.

FATAL SOCIAL ADDICTION

Driven by severe social media addiction, a woman was brutally murdered by a mason over reel-related disputes, while another tragically ended her own life after internet disruptions halted her video playback.

- Pray that the young people will not become excessively obsessed with reels, social media fame, and 'likes', but will have wisdom and self-control to use their time and talents in a meaningful and positive way,

PASSION OF PAUL IN EPHESUS

MR. ISRAEL NATHANIEL EDWARD

Last month, we saw how God used Paul in a city filled with licentiousness. God pulled out his chosen from the miry clay of sin and depravation, and formed a church which was not overcome with the gates of hell. This month we are going to see how God used Paul in Ephesus, a city larger than Corinth. We will also understand from this study which factors can induce a totally indigenous church growth movement.

Ephesus was located in the province of Asia. As it was on the most direct sea and land route to the eastern provinces of the Roman Empire, it was the biggest emporium in the then world. Many important cities Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, Laodicea, Colossae, Hierapolis and Apamea were near it. The power of Rome and the splendor of Greek culture and the full tide of oriental superstition and magic were on show here. The Temple of Artemis which was one of the Seven Wonders of the World was also there.

Paul visited Ephesus briefly at the end of his second missionary journey (Acts 18:19–21). Priscilla and Aquila remained there after Paul's departure and continued the conversations about the way of the Lord with the Jews. After that Apollos, a learned man with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures taught about Jesus accurately (Acts 18:24–26). Thus, when Paul returned to Ephesus during his third missionary journey, the ground was prepared already for an extensive ministry.

Paul began his ministry among the Jews as usual and spoke boldly in the synagogue for three months, arguing persuasively about the kingdom of God (Acts 19:8). When some of them refused to believe and publically maligned the Way, he took the disciples with him and had discussions daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. He also taught everything helpful in smaller gatherings in houses. Although he was severely tested by the plots of the Jews, he persevered with tears and passionately declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in Lord Jesus. He also appointed elders for these small congregations in Ephesus (Acts 20:17–21). This went on for two years. As a result, the believers from Ephesus entered into nearby cities and rural areas and planted Christ believing congregations. They in turn planted similar congregations around them. This led to a Church Planting Movement which made all the 15 million Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia hear the word of the Lord in a short period of two years (Acts 19:9–10).

God confirmed the message through extraordinary works. Unusual miracles happened through Paul: Handkerchiefs and aprons associated with Paul were taken to the sick. Diseases were healed. Evil spirits were driven out (Acts 19:11–12). These miracles were wonders beyond those familiar to the disciples through their sorcerers and completely different from the deeds of the Jewish exorcists. This gave death blows to the practice of sorcery and magic scrolls worth 50000 drachmas (A drachma is a silver coin worth about a day's wages.) were burnt publically (Acts 19:13–20). In this way the word of the Lord grew in power and a large number of people left their idolatrous beliefs (Acts 19:26).

What do we learn?

We can see a mini-India in Ephesus. India is also full of people passionately following idolatrous practices seeking peace and prosperity. Many tribal communities are bound by traditional animistic beliefs and suffering unspeakable measures in the hands of magicians. We also see a wave of so called 'followers of Jesus' who are totally self-centered and having a form of Godliness which denies its power (2 Tim 3:1–5). How can these masses be rescued from the depths of vanity and suffering? The same God who acted with such an extraordinary power and wisdom in Ephesus has to repeat his act. We also need people with the same passion and perseverance as that of Paul. Both traditional churches and the mission planted churches have to pour their time and energy into making disciples by teaching everything helpful as Paul did. Making this happen in small groups with local elders is the key. This will lead the believers to replicate the work of making new congregations, appointing elders and making disciples. Will you commit yourself to pray unceasingly for God's work and also to engage in the grueling task of disciple-making in the place and situation where you are now? God can induce mighty Church Planting Movements which will reach millions of our fellow Indians.

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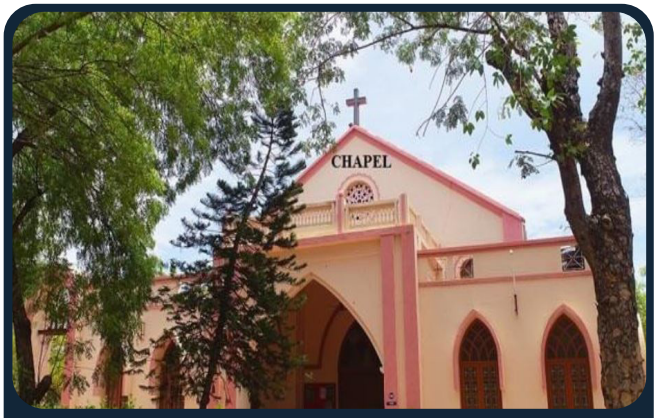
Conclusion:

Jesus' primary ministry shone in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, called "Galilee of the Gentiles" (Matthew 4:14), fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. These regions that were once humbled were honored through the ministry of Jesus (John 7:52). Significantly, except for Judas, all the other 11 disciples of Jesus belonged to this region of Galilee. Set free from the grip of darkness by the good news of Jesus, the disciples leaped like does and went out into all the world to preach the Gospel. Realizing that proclaiming the Gospel is true joy, they stood bold even in the face of death (like the tribe of Naphtali, Judges 5:18).

Dear young people! In the garden of Jesus' Gospel, salvation (the flower) is free for all. There, not only cultivated olive trees (Jews) but also wild olive trees (Gentiles) will flourish. They also have refuge in the high city of Kedesh (holiness or set apart). The metaphor of a doe escaping captivity and leaping with joy symbolizes joyful Christians who delight in the Gospel of Jesus who freed them.

"Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses." (1 Timothy 6:12)



Sarah Tucker College Prayer Group, Tirunelveli

Greetings of love to the friends of Kerith in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

The Youth Prayer Group at Sarah Tucker College, Tirunelveli, was established during the early period of Mrs. Vasanthi Immanuel's missionary service in Tirunelveli. This prayer group continues to function as a beneficial space for female students to gather together, experience fellowship, engage in prayer, and grow in their spiritual lives.

The meeting is held every month on the first Thursday at the Sarah Tucker College Chapel. Around 20 to 30 hostel resident students consistently participate in it.

The gathering begins with an opening prayer, followed by singing two or three songs from the FMPB songbook along with a traditional lyric (Keerthanai). Thereafter, Bible reading, sharing about missionary field stations, intercessory prayer, and testimony sharing take place. Furthermore, a short sermon or devotion is delivered to encourage and strengthen the faith of the students. The meeting concludes with a closing prayer.

As part of this prayer group ministry, prayer points from the Karith magazine are distributed to the students. Through this, they are encouraged to read, meditate, and pray for the needs and ministries of missionaries.

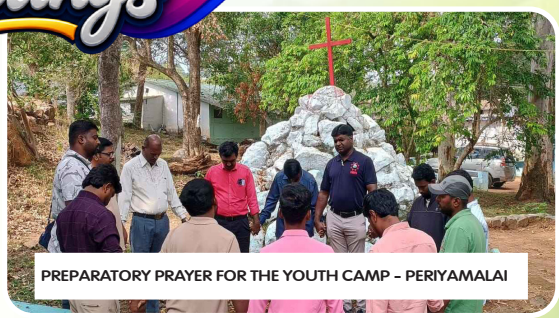
Through these regularly conducted gatherings, the prayer group aims to:

- *Nurture a deep passion for prayer among students*
- *Create awareness regarding missionary work*
- *Foster a deep commitment to serving God*

To God alone be the glory!

Blessings of Youth Meetings

YOUTH MEETING - ARUMANAI



PREPARATORY PRAYER FOR THE YOUTH CAMP - PERIYAMALAI

YOUTH & TEENS MEETING - TONDIARPET

YOUTH MEETING - REDHILLS

YOUNG COUPLES MEET - THIRUNINRAVUR

YOUTH MEETING - CHOOLAIMEDU

YOUTH & TEENS MEETING - THIRUVANNAMALAI

RIGHT FOUNDATION

Becoming a Right Person

How to Become the Right Person?

One of the greatest challenges facing young people today is "choosing the right life partner." Questions like:

- Who has God chosen for me?
- How do I know if this is the right person?
- When will I get married?

Frequently arise in the minds of many youths. These questions are indeed important. However, even more important than these is: **"Am I transforming into the right life partner?"**

Many people spend years searching for the ideal life partner for themselves. Yet, they spend very little time preparing themselves to become a godly husband or wife.

In Scripture, the life of Ruth teaches us a profound lesson. Ruth was a woman who faced uncertainty and an unknown future. Rather than returning to her own people to make a selfish decision regarding her life, she chose a path filled with faith, sacrifice, and commitment.

She said to Naomi:

"Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God." (Ruth 1:16)

Even when life became difficult and she did not know what the future held, she trusted God. Even after arriving in Bethlehem, Ruth did not spend her days worrying about when she would get married. She surrendered her future into God's hands.

Ruth was known not for her outward charm, but for her character.

My dear young generation seeking a godly spouse! Finding the right person is not the only thing that matters; becoming the right person is equally vital. The season of waiting for marriage is not wasted time... it is a season to develop character, a season to grow in faith, a season to learn responsibility, and a season to prepare ourselves for God's will.

Godly character is the strongest foundation.

Boaz was not a man who was merely waiting for a wife; he was known as a man of integrity, generosity, and godliness. Before God brought Ruth and Boaz together, He was preparing each of them individually. In the biblical narrative, rather than anxiously searching for a future spouse, both Ruth and Boaz were living faithfully before God. Therefore, God brought them together at the right time.

My beloved young generation! Trustingly commit your future to God for His guidance. But do not waste your present. You may not know when your marriage will take place or who will enter your life, but God knows.

Live today with faithfulness!

Questions to Reflect Upon:

- Am I growing closer to Christ?
- Am I maturing into a person of integrity and honesty?
- Will I be a godly life partner?
- Am I developing in my own life the qualities I expect to see in my future spouse?

Think about it for a moment!

Commit your future to God with trust. God will grant you a bright and glorious future.

MRS. VASANTHI EMMANUEL

Parable of the Talents

Introduction

Jesus Christ taught about the Kingdom of God through many parables. The Parable of the Talents, found in Matthew 25:14–30, explains how we ought to use the gifts and responsibilities that God has entrusted to us.

When a man was about to set out on a journey to a distant land, he entrusted his possessions to his servants. To one he gave five talents, to another two talents, and to another one talent. Upon his return, he called each servant to give an account of what he had been given. This parable brings us to a crucial question: How are we using the talents God has given us for His Kingdom?

1. Kingdom Field – The Field of Given Talents

A man gave talents to his servants, each according to his own ability. They were not given the same amount, but everyone was entrusted with something. Likewise, God has bestowed various gifts and skills upon each person.

To some, He has given the ability to teach, the talent to sing, the gift of prayer, leadership skills, a heart to help others, or the gift of evangelism. The talents given by God are not for our own pride; they are meant for the growth of His Kingdom. Recognizing the talents God has given us is our first responsibility in the Kingdom field.

2. Kingdom Field – The Field to Multiply Talents

The one who received five talents went and traded with them, gaining five talents more. Likewise, the one who received two talents gained two more. Both acted faithfully with what they were entrusted. However, the one who received one talent went off, dug a hole in the ground, and hid it. He did nothing for his master.

This parable challenges us to reflect: growth happens when the abilities given by God are put to use. If left unused, they become useless.

Practical Application:

- If you have the gift of singing, sing in the church.
- If you have the gift of teaching, share the Word of God.
- If you have the ability to help others, extend a helping hand.
- Whatever the ministry—even if it seems small—do it with faithfulness.

In the Kingdom field, even a small talent can become a great blessing. The size of the talent does not matter; how we use it is what truly counts.

3. Kingdom Field – The Field of Accountability

When the master returned, he called his servants to settle accounts. The one who received five talents and the one who received two talents had multiplied theirs.

The master praised them, saying, "Well done, good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:21). But the servant who received one talent hid it out of fear. He still had to render an account to his master. Through this, we learn that our lives are accountable before God. We must give an account of how we use the time, talents, opportunities, and resources God has given us. Serving in the Kingdom field is not merely an opportunity—it is a God-given responsibility.

Conclusion

The Parable of the Talents teaches us not to waste the gifts given by God, but to use them for His Kingdom. We learn three primary truths from this parable:

- Identify the talents God has given you.
- Multiply them by using them for God's Kingdom.
- Settle accounts faithfully before God.

Both the one who received five talents and the one who received two received equal praise. From this, we understand that God does not merely look at the measure of our ability, but at how faithfully we use what we have received.

For Reflection:

Am I using the talents God has given me? Or have I hidden them away out of fear and laziness?

The Honoured Saints of the Most High

REV. ALBERT PRABHAKARAN

Upon the humble brow, a heavenly crown doth bloom,
The sovereign will of God dispels all earthly gloom.
Like diamond drops of dew, unsoiled by dust below,
Their steady faith burns bright though tempest winds do blow.

No worldly gain they seek, their hearts in truth reside,
A selfless, noble soul where falsehood cannot hide.
From broken self arises sacrifice divine,
Where God's triumphant host in blinding glory shine.

Lo! Enoch walked with God and death did never taste,
And Abraham, His friend, in faithful love was graced.
Great Moses saw the Lord, steadfast in holy light,
And Samuel served his God in duty ever bright.

King David found a home within the Father's heart,
While Daniel's steadfast grace made heaven's angels start.
And Mary, highly praised, in gentle meekness trod,
While Baptist John arose, the greatest born of God.

From fisher unto shepherd, Peter led the fold,
And Paul endured his strife to claim the crown of gold.
Brave Stephen looked on high to view the realm above,
And John, upon the breast, leaned close to learn His love.

They cast the world's deceit into the barren dust,
To seek the heavenly realm, where treasures never rust.
Upon the narrow path, their very lives they give,
And bow before His feet, that they in grace may live.

They wield the two-edged sword of God's eternal word,
And by the Spirit's power, the dark array is stirred.
Unblemished to the end, they run the race to reign,
And rule with Christ the King, delivered from all pain.

They cry: "Thy will be done!"—no other song they sing,
As clay within the hands of God, the potter King.
Cleansed from the stains of earth, as vessels pure they shine,
And lay their lives down low for Christ, the Lord Divine.

JUDE
THE DISCIPLE OF JESUS CHRIST

Jude was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ. Jude, also known as Thaddeus or Judas of James, stands out in Christian history as a foundational pillar of the early Church and a global symbol of enduring hope. His alternative names referred as Jude Thaddeus, Judas Thaddaeus, Lebbaeus or Judas of James.

The New Testament is carefully distinguished another disciple called 'Judas Iscariot,' who betrayed Jesus from Jude. Traditionally, and scripture often describe him as one of the 'brethren' of Jesus [traditionally viewed as a cousin or stepbrother] and the brother of James the Less.

This half-brother relationship close proximity to Jesus gave Jude a firsthand witness to the crucifixion, resurrection, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Jude is mentioned as one of the brothers or half-brothers of Jesus in places like Matthew 13:55.

The Mission of Jude, the disciple of Jesus Christ

Jude's life bridges the personal ministry of Jesus with the rapid, courageous expansion of early Christianity. The traditional records hold that Jude has done his ministry in regions such as Judea, Salaria, Mesopotamia and Persia.

Jude in the Bible is primarily known for writing the short New Testament. The Book of Jude and for warning early Christians to strongly defend their faith against false teachers. In this letter, Jude addresses a community facing internal division and spiritual compromise. With profound urgency, he appeals to believers to "contend earnestly for the faith," warning them against corrupt leaders and moral laxity.

Like the other disciples, Judas's primary calling was simply "to be with Jesus"—to travel, eat, and live alongside Him as a trusted friend (Mark 3:14). According to Matthew 10:1–4, Judas actively participated in casting out unclean spirits and healing "every disease and sickness" during his evangelical tours.

The Martyrdom of Jude, the disciple of Jesus Christ

It is believed that he became a martyred for his faith around 65 AD in Persia. It is traditionally believed that suffering death by being clubbed or axed to death alongside his fellow apostle, Saint Simon. The most widely accepted tradition states that Jude was beaten to death with a club (or mace) and subsequently beheaded with a broad axe. Because of this, Christian art almost always depicts Saint Jude holding a club or an axe as a visual symbol of his sacrifice.

The lessons from the life of Jude the disciple of Jesus Christ

A simple and silent personality who did ministry with Jesus Christ. He never bothered about his ministry should his name high above anyone else. He was a strong personality in the ministry of Jesus Christ by showing himself to be with him till crucification of Jesus Christ and the establishment of the early Christian Church. His contribution to the New Testament church and till now is the Book of Jude. The truth and lessons are still applicable for the churches at large.

What FMPB is looking forward through the life and ministry of Jude the disciples of Jesus Christ?

This organization is looking forward vision and mission focused ministry persons for [in] the Mission of God. A person who can reach as many as places [villages, cities and regions across the country] with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. A person who can travel with coworkers and a team of Christian workers and do the ministry [as Jude did with Simon]. A person who is ready to live or die for the sake of Kingdom of God.

Dear Friends, this organization is looking forward young men and women, the Gen Z, for God's Mission. The accommodation for the young people in the organization is wide open to go as Bible Translator, School Teachers, Lab Technicians, Doctors, Bible Teachers, Cross-cultural missionaries, social workers, children workers, youth workers and to work in the office [in the Head Quarters] as a journalist, accountant, IT professional, writers for our magazine and wardens in the hostels in the mission fields.

The challenges

What is your response? Do you pray for our mission? Would like to join us. The great nation is waiting for young people to know about Jesus Christ and to face any kind situation to stand firm in preaching the gospel to the unreached area in our country.

Think. Transform your life and Involve for the transformations of others life.

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வாலிபர் கூடுகை 2026
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