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Youth Trends | August 2024 Foreword I Chose you!!

My Dear Young Daughter (Son),

Greetings in the precious name of Jesus Christ! Let us give thanks to God for helping us traverse through seven months of this year and step into the eighth month. I firmly believe that each month, the Lord strengthens you through this youth magazine. This month, we shall delve into the profound nature of 'God's Choice'.

God's choice is always awe-inspiring. He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; he seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor. He loved Abel and accepted his offering, but He did not accept Cain's sacrifice. He declares, "I loved Jacob, but I hated Esau." The people God has chosen are often simple, imperfect, rejected, and despised. Despite their imperfections, they loved God immensely and trusted Him. Those whom the world disregarded, the Lord embraced, transforming their lives and granting them new beginnings.

lesus Christ selected twelve disciples to spread the gospel to the entire world. He put His trust in them, even though they were not scholars or influential figures but ordinary fishermen. Yet He entrusted them with His mission. God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise and the weak things of the world to shame the strong. Because God chose the lowly among us, we should not boast, saying, "God chose me." It is solely by His grace. "You have found favour in my eyes," God said to Moses. Even today, God has chosen you to fulfil His will. He has anointed you for the ongoing revival work, bestowing upon you powers and gifts so that you may rise, shine, and blaze brightly.

You did not choose God, but He has chosen you to be His breath and the fingers of His hand. Your every move and endeavour should glorify God and fulfil His will. Remember that God has marked you to raise an army of youth and spread the revival worldwide. Act with this cognizance!

> In Christ's Mission Mohan C. Lazarus

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This interview features Pastor Aaron Bala, who was born into a family without knowledge of Jesus. Growing up without parental love, he worked as a garbage picker during his teenage years and dreamed of becoming a lyricist in Tamil cinema. Despite facing many hardships and humiliations, he eventually discovered the love of Jesus Christ, found salvation, and now glorifies God's name through songs. Come, let's listen to him narrate his life journey.

Could you please tell us about your family and early childhood?

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I was born in a small village called Pudupattu in Kallakurichi into a family with no ties to Jesus. I have two sisters and one brother. I resided with my parents until I was five years old. After that, they left me at my aunt's house and went to Delhi. I studied at the village school, mainly for the midday meal. The food was often tasteless and sometimes contained worms and insects, but I ate it happily after removing them. At my aunt's house, I only received food (old porridge or a glass of gruel) if I cleaned the cow dung every morning. Only during functions like weddings or ear-piercing ceremonies did I get good food. During the holidays, I had to graze the cattle. Under such conditions, I yearned for my parents' love.

Sorry about your early childhood. How did you come to know Jesus, being born into a family that did not know Him?

When I was in the seventh grade, a lady named Gandhimathi conducted Sunday classes in our village, teaching Bible stories to

children. One night, she gathered the children and narrated the story of Noah and the Ark. That was the first time I heard about Jesus. From then on, I started attending Sunday classes, where I learned many stories and songs about Jesus. Gradually, I came to know more about Jesus. A few days after I started going to Sunday school, the pastor gave me an opportunity to sing the song "Neerindri Vaazhvethu Iraivaa" on stage at a gospel meeting. That was the first Christian song I sang, and everyone complimented me on my singing.

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ARON BALA

Great! You took up singing in the seventh grade. What were your aspirations in your

Just like every other person born into this world, I too had a dream of achieving something in life. From a young age, I wanted to become a lyricist in Tamil cinema. Back then, whenever a new movie was released, the songs from that movie would be available as a songbook for one rupee. I would buy

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those songbooks for every new movie that came out and memorise the songs while pretending to study in school. I had a collection of many such songbooks at home.

Okay. Did you meet your family after being separated from your parents at the age of five?

After completing the ninth grade, I went to Delhi to join my parents. There, my family was working as garbage pickers, and I also joined them in that work. We did not have a house of our own and lived in a small tent. We would wake up at five in the morning and start collecting bottles and other recyclables to sell at the shops, which was our source of income. People would not despise us because we were garbage collectors. I lived like a madman, and our family's job was to collect trash and beg. I stayed with my parents in Delhi for four

years doing this job.

Alright. After studying until the ninth grade, wasn't it embarrassing for you to do such work in your youth?

As a teenager, that life seemed convenient because I didn't have to study and could play when I wasn't collecting garbage.

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However, as I grew older, I started worrying about my future. I consoled myself by thinking that I don't need education to join the film industry or become a lyricist.

However, after coming back to Tamil Nadu for my uncle's wedding in 2008, I detested the garbage picking job and decided not to return to Delhi. After a few days, I went to Kerala and joined a bag-making company, where I worked for one and a half years.

Okay. Did you continue to pursue your dream of becoming a lyricist? When did you experience salvation?

The work in Kerala was quite difficult, so I chose to follow my dream of becoming a lyricist. In 2009, through a friend, I came to Chennai with the clothes I was wearing and without any money. I joined a hospital canteen for work. The things I learned in Sunday school began to grow in me as I grew older. Whenever I faced problems or hardships, the only one I knew was lesus, and I would call upon Him. One fine morning, while I was heading for work, a scripture from the nearby church said, "From this day I will bless you." That verse spoke to me. When I reached work that day, a person who was getting discharged called me and gave me 200 rupees, saying he felt like giving me that money. That was the first miracle lesus did for me. As I began to witness these small miracles, I started going to church regularly for my needs. My urge to become a songwriter, however, remained strong. I joined a hotel in Kodambakkam, hoping to find work in the film sector. While working there, I visited many film firms,

seeking opportunities. Meanwhile, in 2011, 1 received water baptism.

Great. After taking water baptism, what did you start doing for Jesus? How and

when did you receive the call for ministry?

I got married in 2012. After marriage, I went to my hometown and started a mobile shop. After returning to my village, I began attending church regularly and developed a stronger relationship with

God. One day, the pastor of our church assigned me the charge of children's ministry and requested that I teach songs to the children. I took this ministry seriously and began doing it with full dedication. Meanwhile, due to the debts incurred from running the mobile shop, I thought of finding a job to pay off the debts and went to Chennai with my wife and children. I moved to Chennai with the hopes of finding a job, paying off the debts, and then returning to the village to run the mobile shop properly. In 2016, one day, the Lord spoke to me, saying, "Go with the strength you have." I had no idea that the Lord was calling me for ministry at the time. I rejected His first call to ministry. In the same year, I was baptised by the Holy Spirit. After that, I had a strong burden to tell everyone about the love of lesus. This burden gave me the burning desire to do something for the Lord. Initially, I was embarrassed to tell anyone that I used to collect garbage because I felt ashamed. However, after realising that the scripture "He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the beggar from the ash heap" (I Samuel 2:8) was intended specifically for me, I started boldly

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sharing my testimony with everyone.

Having received a burden for souls and a desire to do something for Jesus, did you get into full-time ministry?

In 2017, during a New Year worship service, the Lord spoke to me, saying, "You

think you came to Chennai because of your debt, but it is not the debt that brought you here; I brought you here. I'll make up for everything you've lost. That is why I led you through the wilderness path." I was instantly filled with hope. I understood that my ministry was to be in Chennai and completely shut down the mobile shop. The Lord spoke to me, saying, "When you sing Christian songs, you should lift up the Lord, and when you sing movie songs, you should lift up man or Satan. Who are you going to praise?" That day, I committed myself, tore up all the songs I had written for cinema, and gave up on my dream of becoming a movie lyricist. From that day on, the Lord gave me the grace to compose songs about Him. The first song the Lord gave me was "Neer Mattum Ennodu Illamal Poi Irundhal."

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to vacate the house. My friend found another house for us. While praying on my knees in that house, the Lord gave me the song "Jeevan Tharum Vaarthai Ummidam Ulladhu," which has been a blessing to many people today. In the midst of adversity, the Lord gave me many such songs that comforted me.

Despite many hardships, when did you begin serving in ministry full-time?

In 2018, the Lord confirmed my calling and granted me the necessary resources to establish Omega Ministries. Initially, we started with a place that could accommodate 10 people. Gradually, the Lord lifted us, and today we have a church in Kodambakkam that can accommodate 250 people. My wife has been a great help in the ministry. The Lord has blessed us with three children.

Fantastic..! The songs the Lord has given you have been a blessing to many people. Can you share your experience with the song "En Karuvai Kandeeraiya," which has gone viral and touched many hearts?

Amazing! How did your life turn out after you gave yourself over to God's will?

Initially, petty things were answered immediately. But when I had a lot of debt, looking to the Lord did not bring immediate answers. There were many days when I thought of leaving my wife and children and running away. People would say, "You can't pay the house rent, but you roam with the Bible," asking us



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I recorded "En Karuvai Kandeeraiya" by selling the only bike I owned at a lower price because I didn't have the provision to do it. We shot the visuals in May, but the song was not released until September. At that time, I prayed, "Lord, don't give me any more songs; give them to those who have money." But the Lord comforted me with His word, and the song was released miraculously and received 9 million views in eight months. The Lord has given me the grace to write many more songs. So far, the Lord has given me more than 50 songs and the grace to release 13 songs.

What message would you wish to convey to youth?

Dear young people, Are you distressed, thinking, "I'm rejected by everyone; no one respects me"? Don't lose heart! I am a living testament to how Jesus can uplift and exalt anyone. If the Lord could choose and separate me for His glorious mission, who was longing for love without proper food and collecting garbage, He can surely raise you up and use you as a conduit for blessings to many. However, to achieve that, you need to submit to the will of God and wait for His timing. You must allow the Lord to break and reconstruct you. Then your beauty will be magnified when He refines and sets you as pure gold

Loose the Knots

Sharpen your Bible knowledge with questions about the shortest elements in Scripture. From the shortest verse to the briefest epistle, let's see how much you know!

- 1. Which is the shortest book in the Old Testament by the number of words?
- 2. What is the shortest Psalm in the Bible?
- 3. What is the shortest verse in the Old Testament?
- 4. Which is the shortest epistle written by Paul?

5. Which of the following books is the shortest by the number of chapters: Jonah, Jude, or Titus?

- 6. What is the shortest verse in the New Testament?
- 7. What is the shortest parable Jesus taught that is recorded in the Gospels?
- 8. Which of Paul's epistles contains the shortest greeting?
- 9. Which church in Revelation received the shortest letter from Jesus?
- 10. What is the shortest recorded miracle of Jesus?

July answers 1) Bethlehem 2) Ten Commandments 3) Noah's Ark 4) Moses

- 5) David
- 6) Jonah
- 7) Judas Iscariot
- 8) Daniel
- 9) Solomon
- 10) The Prodigal Son



Your answers are expected to reach us on or before 15th of Every Month



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Hello friends! In this rapidly evolving world of technology, we find ourselves constantly needing to learn many new things. Through the article "Handle your phones sensibly," you've discovered fascinating insights about cloud storage and its potential to assist you in your school, college, and workplace. Isn't that exciting? But wait, there's more! Are you also curious about how cloud storage can help in public and government-recognised places?

For example, have you ever found yourself in a situation where you forgot to carry your original ID proof during a train journey and ended up paying a fine? You might have thought, "Oh, if only I could show my ID on my phone!" Well, guess what? DigiLocker, a brilliant mobile application, is just what you need.

DigiLocker is a ground-breaking mobile application introduced in India under the Digital India initiative. It allows you to store, access, and documents digitally. verify Imagine the convenience of securely storing important documents like your PAN card, driving license, Aadhaar card, school mark sheets, insurance policy documents, and more, all in one digital vault! No more worrying about carrying physical copies of your documents all the time. You can simply retrieve and use them from DigiLocker whenever needed.

Picture this: You're stopped by traffic police, and instead of fumbling through

your wallet, you confidently show your digitally stored driver's license from DigiLocker. How cool is that? Additionally, you can keep all your important documents securely in one place. Think about the peace of mind you'll have knowing that in times of natural disasters, when you might important lose your documents, DigiLocker will be there to save the day!

Now, you might be wondering, "How do I get started with DigiLocker?" It's simple! You can apply for a DigiLocker wallet using your mobile number and Aadhaar number on the website www.digilocker.gov.in. Or, if you prefer, download the app from the Play Store or App Store on your Android or iPhone and register in a few easy steps.

But what if your mobile number isn't registered with Aadhaar? No problem! You can update it at a nearby permanent Aadhaar enrollment centre and then apply for DigiLocker. Once you fill in the required details, you'll create a security PIN and enter your email ID. After completing this process, you'll set up a login ID and password. Voilà! You can now use your digital locker whenever needed.

Alright friends, I hope this month's tech info has been not only useful but also thrilling for you. Stay tuned; I will see you next month with more exciting information. Until then, take care and goodbye!

Heart Beat

Counsel: Avi

Evoked Feelings Wrecked Life

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I am currently in the eighth grade. I came to learn about LGBTQ matters through a classmate. Subsequently, I made several new friends who interacted with me casually. However, one individual showed me extraordinary affection. His kind words and empathy deeply touched me, leading me into an inappropriate relationship with him. I find myself constantly wanting to speak with and see him, even though I know this is wrong. I am unable to extricate myself from this situation, nor can I focus on my studies. What should I do? - Abhishek. Reading your letter has left me quite shocked. It is disheartening to see today's youth indulging in numerous perilous practices and following dangerous paths under the guise of Western culture. Abhishek, what you are involved in is not just an inappropriate relationship but a profoundly hazardous and impure one.

This is neither a natural relationship nor a genuine friendship. It is something that society does not recognise or deems abhorrent, and specifically, it goes against the scriptures. Engaging in such sinful acts was once criminalised under Indian law; however, under the influence of so-called modern culture, people attempt to live contrary to natural and moral standards. It appears that virtues such as integrity, truthfulness, modesty, and self-control have all but vanished.

There is a verse in the scriptures: "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!" (Isaiah 5:20). Today, the world labels a wrong deed or a harmful relationship as something good. It loudly claims to 'accept' dangerous practices. While God forgives all sins, He utterly detests the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah, leading to the complete destruction of those cities. The devil disrupts the beautiful relationships and orders created by God, replacing them with sinful relationships and disorder to lure humanity into sinful acts.

There are many forces, including Satan and various corporations, behind the LGBTQ movement. Therefore, only by remaining vigilant can we distance ourselves from such sinful habits and keep ourselves pure.



LGBTQ

POTENTIAL DANGERS IF You continue in this sin

DANGER

 This inappropriate relationship will pressure you into engaging in many other wrong activities.

 You run the risk of contracting various physical illnesses and infections.

 If your parents learn of this, it will cause immense shame and pain, leading to significant turmoil and problems within your family.

 Your studies will undoubtedly suffer; you may be expelled from school, and your future will become bleak.

 The person you believe to be a true friend might abandon you after using you for their needs, causing emotional distress and leading you to make the wrong decisions.

IF YOU MANAGE TO BREAK FREE FROM THIS RELATIONSHIP,

 Although challenging, you will have the peace of living a righteous life.

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• You will no longer have a guilty conscience about committing a sin.



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• You will not fear being caught or judged harshly by society.

You will be able to focus on your studies.

• You will receive your parents' love, care, and the joy of genuine relationships.

WAYS TO GET AWAY FROM THIS SINFUL BONDAGE

 First, cut ties with the friend who introduced you to this sinful circle.

• Avoid meeting the person who led you into this inappropriate relationship.

• Disconnect from him on all platforms (Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp).

• Engage in productive activities whenever thoughts of him arise, to keep yourself busy.

• Avoid solitude, as it may bring thoughts of him; engage in sports or learn to play an instrument.

Above all, pray to Jesus for deliverance from this sin. "If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (John 8:36). Jesus will give you freedom and help you live a new life. "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17). Strive to progress and succeed! Youth Trends | August 2024

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The Good Part

Whenever Jesus Christ journeyed from Galilee to Jerusalem, it was customary for Him to travel through Jericho, Bethany, and Bethphage, descending the Mount of Olives into the city of Jerusalem. It was during one of these journeys to the village of Bethany that He became acquainted with a particular family. According to John 11:5, "Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus." Jesus cherished these children, who were without parents, as His own. They shared a deep bond among themselves. Whenever Jesus came to Jerusalem, He would visit Bethany to interact with this family, share a meal, or rest before continuing His journey.

How did such a close bond between Jesus and this family develop? How did this relationship begin? Luke 10:38 recounts, "As Jesus and His disciples were on their way, He came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to Him." Wherever Jesus went, large crowds followed. Martha, too, came to see Jesus amidst the crowd. She immediately felt a desire to invite Jesus to her home, pondering, "If Jesus comes to our home, how wonderful it would be." However, she struggled with the thought, "Would He come to our home if I invited Him amidst such a crowd?"

Despite this inner conflict, Martha mustered the courage to stand before Jesus, greet him, and invite Him, saying, "You must come to our home." The young lady who longed for love would have said, "We neither have a father nor a mother; You must come and grace us with Your presence and bless us." Jesus must have understood her feelings and said, "I will surely come, daughter," and He, along with His twelve disciples, entered their home.

In the joy of having the Creator of heaven and earth, the great prophet, the Saviour, visit her home, Martha seated Jesus and went to the kitchen to prepare a variety of dishes she thought Jesus would like.

Martha had a sister named Mary. As soon as Mary saw Jesus, she sat at His feet and asked Him to tell her about the kingdom of God and the heavenly kingdom. Jesus was joyfully explaining things to her. When Martha heard Mary talking to Jesus, she came out of the

kitchen, upset, and complained to Jesus, "I am troubled in the kitchen, and Mary is here talking to you. You could have told her to help me." Having Jesus in their home, Martha blamed Him. Jesus looked at Martha and said, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

Sometimes, like Martha, we might think we need to do something to please lesus and get involved in many ministries such as evangelism, children's ministry, youth ministry, tract ministry, village ministry, and many more. While all these are important, the most significant thing is to sit at His feet. Martha was anxious about serving lesus food without even asking Him what He wanted or if He was in the mood to eat. Likewise, we often engage in many ministries without spending time at the Lord's feet, praying, reading the Bible, or seeking guidance from the Holy Spirit. When we do this, it leads to confusion, irritation, a lack of peace, fatigue, and disappointment. We end up blaming God for our troubles.



Dear youth, what the Lord expects from us is that we, like Mary, sit at His feet, grow in our knowledge of Him, and develop our relationship with Him daily. When we grow in our relationship with Him, we can hear His voice clearly and understand His heart's burdens. The Lord delights in the ministry done according to His will after heeding His voice and understanding His desires. So, prioritise sitting at the Lord's feet above everything else, and when you do His work according to His will, He will provide the strength, wisdom, grace, and anointing to accomplish it successfully with satisfaction. Are you ready to choose the good part? ■



IN THISAYANVILAI...

August 26, 2024 (Monday) Timings: 3:30 PM to 7 PM

Venue: Jesus Redeems World Revival Prayer Center Udankudi Road, Near M L Hospital, Thissayanvilai

> Message and Prayer: Bro. Avinash

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IN ALANGULAM ...

August 15, 2024 (Thursday) Timings: 3:30 PM to 7 PM

Venue: Jesus Redeems World Revival Prayer Center Vanchinathan Street, TPV Mill North, Thuthikulam Road, Alangulam

Message and Prayer:

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ns! It gives me tremendous joy

Greetings to all vibrant youths! It gives me tremendous joy to meet you each month through this 'Emotions' series. Last month, we learned about worry. I hope the Lord has delivered many from their worries. This month, let's learn about another emotion—'guilt.'

Every time something bad happens in your life, do you immediately think, "I am experiencing this because I sinned against the Lord?" Through this section, Jesus Christ will undoubtedly intervene with you, provide mental clarity, and grant you peace. He will also deliver you from your guilty conscience.

Emotions

Major Causes of Guilt

- Sinning against God.
- Sinning against our own body (like using drugs, alcohol, and engaging in inappropriate relationships).
- Betraying the trust of parents or relatives.
- Deceiving colleagues at the workplace to get promotions.
- Such reasons bring guilt into our hearts, driven by the devil. We must keep our minds clear during such moments.

Biblical Figures Who Dealt with Guilt

Judas Iscariot: He betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver, felt guilty for his action, and took his own life (Matthew 27:5).

Peter: Although he denied Jesus, he repented, sought forgiveness, and experienced deliverance from the guilt conscience (Luke 22:62).

Simple solutions to overcome Guilt

• Repentance: Confess your sins genuinely to God and ask for forgiveness (1 John 1:9).

• Accept God's Forgiveness: Believe in the promise of forgiveness through Christ. Trust that God removes our sins as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103:12).



• Renew Your Mind: Replace feelings of guilt with God's truth stated in the Bible. Meditate on verses that remind you of God's love, grace, and forgiveness.

•Seek Support from Spiritual Guides: Share your concerns with a trustworthy Christian

friend, pastor, or counsellor who can offer guidance, prayer, and encouragement.

• Walk in Freedom: Once forgiven, embrace the freedom that Christ offers. Live in obedience to God, knowing that you are justified through faith (Romans 5:1).

The primary reason Peter found freedom from guilt was the gift of "forgiveness" given by Jesus. Similarly, if you are feeling guilty for betraying someone, seek God's forgiveness immediately, who is mighty to forgive, and try to reconcile with that particular person and strive to free yourself from guilt.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

Dear young reader, there's no gain in being burdened by guilt. Instead, experience the only true solution forgiveness—and transform your life **■**



IN TIRUVANNAMALAI...

Date: August 4, 2024 (Sunday) Timings: 4 PM to 7 PM

Venue: New Hope Revival Church Thendral Nagar, Vengikkal, Behind Reliance Digital

IN MAYILADUTHURAI...

Date: August 18, 2024 (Sunday) Timings: 4 PM to 7 PM

> Venue: CJC Church of God Keelapattamangalam

Message and Prayer: Bro. Sathish Kumar

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The world often chooses the wise, the educated, the strong, the talented, and the beautiful for positions and responsibilities. However, God's choice is always unique and unfathomable. As it is written, **"God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty"** (I Corinthians 1:27). Regardless of a person's state, when chosen by God, He meets them, transforms them into a suitable vessel, and grants them the ability to accomplish mighty deeds.

The life of the Israelites was greatly influenced by their leaders. After the time of Othniel, Deborah, and Gideon, there were no suitable leaders to guide and judge the people, leading them to live as they pleased,

At the time when God was grieving over the wayward people, Hannah prayed to the Lord, made a vow, and said, **"O Lord of hosts, if** You give Your maidservant a male child, then I will give him to the Lord all the days

and they turned away from God. **"In** those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes" (Judges 21:25). Eli, being old, failed to guide his sons, who were supposed to lead the people but



were ignorant of the Lord. Their transgressions against God were exceedingly grave. No prophet had arisen in Israel until then. of his life, and no razor shall come upon his head" (1 Samuel 1:11). God accepted her vow and gave her Samuel, who was chosen by God to be a judge and prophet for Israel.

In the days of Hannah and Samuel, women and children were not valued in society and were often

overlooked and neglected. It was in such a setting that the Lord chose Samuel and said to Eli, **"I will raise up for myself a faithful**



priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind. I will firmly establish his priestly house" (| Samuel 2:35).

Samuel, chosen by the Lord, judged Israel from Dan to Beersheba, led them in God's ways, and interceded for them before the Lord, fulfilling God's plan. **"Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life"** (1 Samuel 7:15).

Just as the Lord chose Samuel to reform the people who had strayed from godliness, He has chosen you as well. "You did not choose me, but I chose you" (John 15:16). The Lord has chosen you to deliver and reform a great number of people trapped in sin and curses, ruining their lives.

As the Lord is going to use you powerfully in the revival of India, do not dwell on your weaknesses. Just as Samuel understood the burden of God's heart and stepped into action, you too must listen and respond to God's call, saying, **"Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening"** (I Samuel 3:10). The Lord will use you to transform the lives of many. **"For many are called, but few chosen"** (Matthew 20:16). Many may be called to lead God's people, but only the chosen ones shine for God.



My dear youth, God's choice always astounds us. If the world labels you as feeble, timid, or foolish, do not give in. "the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are" (I Corinthians 1:28). You are not ordinary; you are chosen by God to shake the world!



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Prayer Guide

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Girls addicted to drugs

Child welfare activists often highlight that, in many cases, young girls who become addicted to drugs come from broken families or have parents who lack moral integrity. Girls from such backgrounds are particularly vulnerable. Therefore, it is crucial for parents to monitor their children closely and shield them from family problems. Family issues account for 99% of the cases where children are affected by addiction. Parents must take extra care when raising their children. Nowadays, children start experimenting with beer at an early age, then progress to consuming alcohol and smoking cannabis. Recently, they have begun dissolving pain relief tablets in water and injecting the solution.

Prayer Points

1. Pray for a transformation in the lives of young girls who lose their lives due to wrong relationships and drug addiction.

- 2. Pray that God touches and rescues young girls who are addicted to drugs.
- 3. Pray for the healing of girls affected by family problems and parental immorality.

4. Pray for the deliverance of young boys and girls who have become addicted to drugs due to their family circumstances.

Cabinet Ministers

In the nation's 18th election, the National Democratic Alliance won 293 seats, forming the government for the third consecutive time. Mr. Narendra Modi has been sworn in again as the Prime Minister. Along with him, 30 cabinet ministers, 5 ministers with independent charge, and 36 ministers of state have been sworn in, making a total of 72 central ministers.



Prayer Points

I. Pray for Mr Narendra Modi, who has been sworn in as Prime Minister for the third time, that God grants him wisdom and protection.

 Pray for God's guidance upon the 71 cabinet ministers and that they are endowed with the wisdom to make sound decisions.

3. Pray for the National Democratic Alliance, which has formed the new government, to implement effective plans that lead India on the path of progress.

4. Pray for God's guidance and protection over opposition leader Mr Rahul Gandhi and the leaders of the Indian National Congress.

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Healthcare Sector

There are approximately 70,000 hospitals operating in India, with 37,725 of them being government hospitals. Additionally, there are 1.04 million private clinics in operation. India has over 600 medical colleges and 3,000 pharmaceutical manufacturing companies. Two-thirds of doctors in India practice without a proper medical degree. Every year, 2 million foreigners come to India for medical treatment.



Prayer Points

I. Pray that all hospitals in India operate with a spirit of service.

2. Pray that the 3,000 pharmaceutical manufacturing companies in India produce high-quality medicines without side effects.

3. Pray for the vacancies in the healthcare sector to be filled, ensuring there is no shortage of doctors and nurses and that treatments continue smoothly.

4. Pray for the identification and removal of fake doctors practicing without proper degrees in the healthcare sector.

Diabetics

Approximately 77 million people in India are affected by diabetes, making India the second-highest country in terms of the number of diabetes patients. Diabetic patients spend an average of ₹10,000 per month. Two percent of patients die due to diabetes. Globally, India ranks second in terms of the number of children affected by diabetes.



Prayer Points

I. Pray for the healing of the 77 million people affected by diabetes in India.

2. Pray for the healing of children affected by diabetes and that they do not suffer any complications.

- 3. Pray to prevent further deaths due to diabetes.
- 4. Pray for the healing of people affected by the side effects of diabetes and for the complete eradication of this disease in our country.



Revival News: Rosy Tribullation is the Precursor to

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The relentless conflict between the Meitei and Kuki communities in Manipur, which ignited on May 3, 2023, continues to wreak havoc. The Meitei people, who constitute 51% of Manipur's population, predominantly reside in the Imphal Valley and are mainly Hindus, with a minority of Christians and Muslims. Conversely, the Kuki people, who are largely Christians, inhabit the hilly regions.

"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom." (Matthew 24:7)

The Meitei community has long sought tribal status, a demand met with staunch resistance from the Kuki community, who fear the loss of their privileges, lands, and job opportunities. In April 2023, the Manipur High Court's ruling in favour of granting tribal status to the Meitei community acted as a catalyst, sparking violent clashes between the Meitei and Kuki communities in May. This violence has shown no sign of abating since then.

Armed groups have invaded homes, abducted individuals, and killed them with a ruthless lack of mercy. The anguished cries of countless families mourning their lost loved ones continue to echo through the land. Thousands have been injured, and many have been displaced within their own country, forced

to live as refugees. Numerous heads of families and young people, gripped by fear and distress, are enduring their days in unfamiliar places.

Despite the deployment of the army and paramilitary forces in Manipur, the violence remains unabated. Reports indicate that approximately 221 people have lost their lives in this unending cycle of violence so far.

As the violent conflict that erupted on May 3 reaches its grim one-year anniversary, it continues without reprieve. The Bible foretold 2,000 years ago that "nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom." This is not a new phenomenon; it has been occurring since the days of Cain and Abel.

"Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make people kill each

other. To him was given a large sword" (Revelation 6:4). Similarly, Manipur has lost its peace. People live in a constant state of fear, uncertain of who will turn against whom or where the next outbreak of violence will occur. As stated in Genesis 6:11, "The earth was filled with violence," even now people are rioting against each other.

The Egyptians oppressed the Israelites, making their lives bitter and treating them with extreme cruelty, even killing the male children born to them. During that time, God sent Moses to deliver them, and a powerful revival occurred through Moses. Similarly, the people of Manipur are being oppressed, afflicted, and killed today.

As mentioned in Matthew 24:12, "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold," the people now live in an atmosphere devoid of love.

Just as the Lord commanded a revival through Moses on that day, similarly, today, Moses-like figures need to rise to command a revival in Manipur. We are on the brink of witnessing a profound revival in Manipur. Young people, will you pray for a revival in Manipur?

Coimbatore



When I attended the Revival Igniters 4th batch camp, Mohan Uncle encouraged all the Igniters to rise up and act for the Lord. Initially, I was unsure how to proceed. I began visiting a church in the Madukkarai area and started praying. One day, while reading the Bible for over three hours and praying fervently, four elderly women came to the church to pray. One of them was praying with tears, as if mourning. When I asked her why she was crying, she asked me to pray for her with gestures. Another grandmother who stood near her explained that she was deaf and mute. Immediately, I held her hands and prayed. During the prayer, the grandmother, who had been deaf and mute, loudly proclaimed, "Hallelujah, praise the Lord." I thank the Lord for granting miraculous healing to her.

Revival IGNITERS

(Miracles of the early Apostles are carried on today by the Igniters)

A girl near our house, who was studying in the 10th grade, was diagnosed with brain cancer and sent home by doctors who said she wouldn't make it through the fourth stage of the disease. We usually watch the "Jebikkalaam Vaanga" programme with the windows and door open. One day, the girl's family called us to pray for her. When we

prayed in Jesus' name, the Lord healed her completely from cancer. She is now in good health and attending college. In addition, a little child in the local area was battling for his life due to throat cancer, which was in its fourth stage. Someone requested that we pray for him, and we did.

The Lord heard our prayers and completely healed him of throat cancer. He is well now. We give thanks to the Lord for performing these two miracles through us and revealing His power.

Cuddalore



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Hello buddies, Greetings to you in the name of Jesus Christ! I am delighted to meet you again in this series called 'Brave Timothy'. I hope you have found this series to be very beneficial.

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In life, whenever we undertake any task, don't we all hope to have someone to support us? Are you wondering why I am suddenly talking about support?

The protagonist of the series we are following is a highly supportive individual. Let's explore who he supported and in what manner.

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Let's dive into the series.

While Paul was in the city of Corinth, he referred to Timothy as a 'fellow worker' in his letter to the Romans. Timothy accompanied Paul during his final journey to Jerusalem. He was also with Paul during his first imprisonment in Rome. Notably, Timothy assisted Paul when he wrote letters to the Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. Furthermore, we saw in previous episodes that he was with Paul during the riots he encountered.

LETTERS TO TIMOTHY

Timothy was engaged in training ministers in the church at Ephesus. During this period, Paul wrote his letter from Macedonia. In this letter, Paul addresses Timothy as 'my true son in the faith' and 'Timothy, my son,' affirming his love for him and providing him with sound advice for managing the church. Paul urges Timothy to guard the responsibility of church administration entrusted to him. When Paul was imprisoned in Rome for the second time, he wrote his second letter to Timothy, asking him to come to him.

The second letter displays Paul's faith in Timothy's ability to carry on his job diligently after his death. Paul advises Timothy to guard the good deposit entrusted to him with the help of the Holy Spirit, who lives in us (2 Timothy 1:14).

Even when Paul was on the verge of death and was abandoned by Phygelus, Hermogenes, Demas, and Alexander, his profound love and confidence in young

Timothy must have fueled his zeal. There is no doubt that Timothy remained Paul's staunch supporter until the end.

Look, friends! Our Timothy stood by Paul in every joy, sorrow, rise, fall, struggle, and problem. Other ministers were also with Paul; however, some of them left him due to struggles and problems. Because Timothy supported Paul in all circumstances until the end, Paul had confidence that Timothy would take good care of the ministry after him. In these last days, let us also join and support the ministers fulfilling God's will to bring about revival.

(Mission Journey continues)

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My heartfelt greetings to the young readers. This month in the Gems to Be Cherished series, we will briefly discuss a certain man of God named "Barnabas." His name was Joses, but the apostle called him "Barnabas," meaning "son of encouragement" (Acts 4:36). He was a Levite from Cyprus. The Bible refers to Barnabas as "a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith" (Acts 11:24).

After accepting Jesus Christ as his personal saviour, the apostle Paul sought to join the disciples. However, he was not accepted. But, true to his name, Barnabas embraced Paul and introduced him to the apostles. Barnabas ministered to the congregation wherever he went, preaching on wisdom.

Barnabas was a motivated worker. Barnabas was a gentle and mature Christian who enjoyed watching God use Paul effectively. He not only imparted wisdom to the congregations but also set an example. God revealed himself in powerful ways through Barnabas. Barnabas courageously preached the gospel without hesitation. He also fasted and prayed. Barnabas accompanied Paul as a fellow missionary on his first missionary voyage. He fulfilled God's will wherever he went.

Dear young people reading this, as the name implies, Barnabas was the son of encouragement in the early church. Whatever duty he was given, he used it to bring honour to God. In this period, let us rise up like Barnabas and strengthen the congregations, live a life of witness, and dedicate ourselves to the Lord to carry out His will perfectly!

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Ticket to KELL

Hello friends, The traps that the devil sets to take us to hell are sins. Last month, we clearly learned about one such trap called slandering. This month, let's learn about another trap used by Satan called 'offense'.

OFFENSE

Obstacles that come in one's path to prevent them from reaching their destination are generally called offenses or stumbling blocks. But according to the Bible, if a person's gaze, speech, actions, and behavior cause others to sin, that is an offense. The Bible refers to people who commit such offences as



offenders. To put it further, it implies preventing people who are prepared to enter heaven by causing them to sin through our acts and behaviour. First, we must realise that offense is a sin. The Bible refers to it as iniquity (Ezekiel 14:3, 4, 7).

"Offense is very dangerous because it is a sin that causes others to fall into sin." Many commit this sin of stumbling, deliberately or unintentionally. • Women who visit public places without wearing a shawl (dupatta) offend men.

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• Those who bribe honest government officials to get their work done cause offense.

• Friends who offer alcohol to a person who is not accustomed to drinking cause offense.

• Unnecessary obscene advertisements that appear while using a mobile phone cause offense.

We could keep listing such things.

Look at what Jesus said when Peter rebuked Him, saying, "Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!" when Jesus foretold His disciples about His sufferings and death. Jesus turned to Peter and said, "You are an offense to me" (Matthew 16:29–33). Jesus had to suffer, die, and rise again, which was God's will. But Peter was being a stumbling block to God's will.

Jesus taught us never to be an offense to others. During Jesus' time, there was a compulsion for Jews to pay taxes because of Roman rule. However, Israelites were not required to pay taxes, and Jesus, as a Jew, was not required to do so either. But Jesus paid the tax to avoid being an offense to others (Matthew 17:24–27).

BIBLICAL COUNSEL

• We should be inoffensive to both the society we live in (those around us) and the church (believers) (1 Corinthians 10:33).

- We should not cause offense to others, even in food (Romans 14:20).
- We must be cautious of those who cause offense (Romans 16:17).

PUNISHMENT FOR THOSE WHO CAUSE OFFENSE

The Bible says, "Woe to the man by whom the offense comes!" The word 'woe' implies a curse. If one causes offense, first comes the curse, and then comes death. Look at Balaam, who caused the Israelites to sin by eating things sacrificed to idols and committing sexual immorality; he died by the sword (Revelation 2:14; Numbers 31:8). This sin of offense not only affects us during our lives on earth but also has the power to take our souls to

hell after we die. "But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were drowned in the depths of the sea" (Matthew 18:6).

In this modern world we live in, it is necessary for us, the youth, to examine whether we are being a stumbling block to others under the name of fashion trends. Wearing low-hip pants, semi-covered and tight clothing, getting tattoos, listening to and singing cinema songs, brashly posting them as WhatsApp statuses, acting in Instagram reels, going to theatres to watch movies, roaming around as couples in public places, coming late to church, using mobile phones during worship—by doing these things, we often cause new believers and those firm in faith to stumble by making them think, "If they act like this, what's wrong if I do it too?" Furthermore, despite the fact

> that there are a variety of reasons why non-Christians are hesitant to accept Jesus, the primary one is the Christians and their bad witnessed lives.

Dear young brother or sister reading this, if you have been a reason for others to stumble through your life so far, decide today to no longer cause

others to stumble through your actions and behaviour (Romans 14:13). The devil is working intensively to take us to hell by making us commit the sin of offense. Thus, heed this warning and escape the punishment of hell that comes through this sin.

All right, friends, next month, let's learn about another sin that leads to hell



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MUMBAI – DHARAVI (5PM - 7:30PM)World Revival Prayer Centre, 2nd Floor. Above Balakrishna Farsan Mart. Opp. Apna Restaurant, Near Kamarajar School, 90 Feet Road,9004882470

VELLORE (3PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Ajantha Mahal, # 3, 6th West Cross Road, Gandhi Nagar 9442885315 | 9442979556

TIRUPUR (4PM – 6:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, #62. 2nd Floor. Benny Kumaran Main Road. 9442885315

TUTICORIN (3PM - 5:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Jehovah Jireh Towers, 51/8D/3, 1st Floor, Tiruchendur Road, Muniasamypuram Land mark: South Police Station to Kamaraj College Rd. 9442885315 | 9786212103

TIRUPATI (3PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Unlimited Show Room (Opp.) 7989295442 | 9488938305

EVERY 2nd SATURDAY (10th Aug)

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BANGALORE (3PM-5PM) Telugu Church, #21, Nethaji Road, Railway Line, Pulikeshi Nagar, Frazer Town.Opp: BWSSB Office. 9962085523 | 9591077110

MADURAI (3PM -5:30PM)

Devanukae Mahimai Church, Nearby MGM Plaza, [Theekadir Busstop] 41, K.Salai pudur Byepass Road, Madurai 9750955548

EVERY 2nd SUNDAY (11th Aug)

SANKARANKOIL (2:30PM - 5PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Sekihnah Mahal, Mullai Nagar. 9750955548 | 8344949555

AMBUR (3PM-6PM)

Concordia Hr.Sec. School, **Opp Rly.Station** 9597927799 | 9442885315

POLLACHI (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Grace Auto 1 st floor, 163, raja mill road pollachi, 9486037586 | 9487856205

THANE (5PM - 7:30PM)

R.P. Mangala High School (Near Railway Station), Room No.10. Opp. Bank of Maharashtra, Thane (East) 9004882470

THANJAVUR (3PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Near Balaji Nagar Bus Stop, 18B, TPS Nagar, MC Road 9489775075 | 9444381971

KOVILPATTI (2:30PM -5:30PM)

St. Paul's Matriculation School (Parking area Building) 9677858766 | 9787322334

ALANGULAM (2:30PM)

D. No. 5/2, Vaanjinathan Street, North side of TPV Mill, Thuththikulam Road, 9750955548 | 9965377427

THENI (2:30PM – 5PM)

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SIVAKASI (3PM -5PM)

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SATHANKULAM (3PM -5:30PM)

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CHENGALPET (3PM – 5:30PM Reheboth Church, Near old bus stand, 9710809626 |9488475315

VILLUPURAM (3PM – 5:30PM) World Revival Prayer Centre, HH Complex, Namnadu Textiles Opp., Shanthi Theater Rd 8870517324 | 834411022

ERODE (4PM – 6:30PM) World Revival Prayer Centre, #216, Ist Floor, Near Fire Service, Gandhiji Road 9750722000

EVERY 3rd SUNDAY (18th Aug)

TIRUNELVELI (2:30 PM) World Revival Prayer Centre, Shah Complex, #43/R4, Rajendra Nagar, Trivandrum Road

9750955548 | 9047480484

COIMBATORE (4 PM) World Revival Prayer Centre, #90, 1st Floor, Arts College Road, Near Charan Tower, 9894399599 | 9442885315

TRICHY (3 PM) World Revival Prayer Centre, 22A, 1st Floor Thennur High Road, Near KMC Bus Stop, Thennur. 9489775075 | 8344119000

> JEBAMALAI (2 PM) Keelamathapuram,

Kadaiyam (via) Tenkasi Dist. 8300131000 | 9750955548

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CHENNAI (3 PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, # 5, Gandhi Irwin Road, Egmore, (Opp. Railway Station) 9488475315

NALUMAVADI (3PM -5:30PM) Tabernacle of God, Nalumavadi 9442885315

TIRUVARUR (3:30PM) World Revival Prayer Centre, I A/25B, Bypass Road (opp Arasu Autos) 9976766322 | 7373374733

RANIPET (3PM-6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, Railway Station Road, Zion Nagar, Near Scudder Memorial Hospital 9500283179 | 9442885315

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World Revival Prayer Centre, NO: 1055 K.P ROAD, Milk Depot Junction, Nagercoil 7598155503 | 9442885315

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come your way at the same time, and all

of them may seem suitable to you. But you have to choose the best one from the list! What would you do? You may be confused about whom to seek advice from in such a situation. Instead of seeking men, go to the God who created you and seek his advice.

He is called the 'Wonderful Counselor' (Isaiah 9:6). Appoint a holy fasting day for yourself. Lock your door and tell lesus Christ everything running through your mind. Ask him to help you choose the right life partner.

He is the one who created you. He alone can perfectly match you with the person He created from your ribs or the one from whose ribs He created you. Young men who are looking forward to marriage should first seek counsel from the Creator. They should believe that the Lord will do everything for them.

God is the one who wishes more than anyone that you should be blessed, prosperous, and happy in your life. Next to Him, it is your parents who desire your well-being the most. They are the ones who have made the most sacrifices for your wellness.

The sacrifices of a mother

- She endured various pains and sufferings to give birth to you.
- She cooked your favourite meal and took you around in her arms to feed you when you were hungry.
- She rocked your cradle for hours to put you to sleep.
- She sacrificed her sleep to watch over you all night when you were sick.

The sacrifices of a father

- He earned for the family day and night.
- He provided you with your favourite food, clothes, and toys to make you happy.
- He made sure that you were vaccinated on time.
- He searched for the best school, tuition centre, and college in the town and spent money on your education without worrying about the cost.

Think about the countless comforts that your parents have provided for you. Children should trust that their parents will also choose the "best" when it comes to selecting a life partner. Today, as soon as they reach adulthood, many children do not respect their parents. They say, "It's my life; I'm going to live it my way; how is it bothering you?" They choose to marry people who have no good qualities, no proper education, or no good job, just looking at their looks. Then, in a few months, they lose their lives to divorce and

spoil the peace of the family.

Talk your parents to openly. Share your desires and expectations for a partner with them. Those who have always wished for your well-being and worked for your upliftment will definitely help you choose the "best" life partner. The Holy Bible says, "Honour your father



and your mother, so that you may prosper and live long on the earth." When you respect your parents, consult them, and obey them, your heavenly father will be pleased with your actions and bless you. In the Holy Bible, King David is victorious in all the battles he fought during his 40-year reign. This is because he sought the Lord's counsel and followed His guidance in every matter, including whether or not to go to war, how to fight, and when to depart.

However, he did not seek God's counsel in marrying Michal, Saul's daughter. He did not ask God if he should accept Michal as his wife, nor did he consult his parents. Michal, who wanted to live in David's

> royal palace, did not accompany him when he was forced to flee Saul's palace for fear of his life. Perhaps if Michal had fulfilled her role as David's first wife, he would not have had many wives.

> Perhaps he would not have suffered the trials, humiliations, and difficult

paths that came with having many children. Why couldn't a great king who ruled Israel so effectively have a harmonious family life? Think about it!

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One in four children globally affected by Malnutrition



Children who do not have access to nutritious food daily are classified as suffering from 'child food poverty,' a term defined by UNICEF and the World Health Organization. It has been found that South Asian countries and Sub-Saharan African regions are the most affected by child food poverty.

Globally, 181 million children affected are by malnutrition, which hampers their overall growth, including height and body development. Of these 181 million children, 65 percent are from 20 countries, including India, Guinea, Afghanistan, Burkina Faso, and Ethiopia. In South Asian countries alone, 64 million children are suffering from a lack of nutritious food. Somalia tops the list of affected countries. The report highlights that, despite some economic recovery following the COVID-19 pandemic, rising prices of all commodities, including food products, have contributed to this dire situation.

- Hindu Tamil Thisai, June 22, 2024

Heat wave affects 620 million people in India



A report released yesterday by a group of scientists from the National Climate Research Centre of the United States says: "Due to the scorching heat in the month of June, 619 million people in India, 579 million in China. 231 million in Indonesia, 206 million in Nigeria, 176 million in Brazil, 171 million in Bangladesh, 165 million in the United States. 152 million in European countries, and 123 million in Mexico have been severely affected. More than 60 percent of the world's population experienced extreme heat between lune 16 and June 24."

- Hindu Tamil Thisai, June 30, 2024



Heartfelt greetings to all the young achievers. In life, having a goal is very important to achieving success. We cannot succeed unless we have a clear goal. Firstly, our goal must be very precise. This is what will guide us directly to success. This is the story of an achiever who succeeded after precisely identifying her aim.

P.T. Usha was born on June 27, 1964, in the state of Kerala. From a young age, she had an unwavering interest in sports. Her talent in athletics was exceptional. At the age of 13, she showcased her talent to the world. She participated in the 100-metre race at the national-level athletics meet and set a national record. She continued to nurture her talent and won numerous medals at various events. She participated

in track and field competitions for 20 years, achieving many records.

As one of the best athletes in India, she is often referred to as the "queen of track and field." As a graceful sprinter with long strides, she dominated Asian track-and-field events for most of the 1980s, winning



23 medals in all, 14 of which were gold. In honour of her accomplishments, the Indian government awarded her the Padma Shri and the Arjuna Award. She received the Best Female Athlete in Asia award for the years 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, and 1989. Today, she serves as the President of the Indian Olympic Association and remains an inspiration for many other athletes.

Beloved youth reading this, setting a goal in life is extremely important. If you choose your goal correctly and focus all your attention on it, you will definitely succeed. Keep striving continuously, and one day, you too will become an inspiration and mentor to many

YOUTH REVIVAL MEETINGS

By the grace of God, youth revival meetings were conducted last April and May in Gummidipoondi, Anaimalai, Palladam, Tirupati, Udumalpet, Vilathikulam, Tirunelveli, Jebamalai, and Kuppam of Andrapradesh.

> Bro. Sam Jebaraj, Bro. Avinash, and Bro. Sathish Kumar delivered God's message and led the youth in anointing sessions. More than 2600 youths participated, and many received a new anointing. They left with renewed strength, determined to spread the gospel in their districts, taluks, and villages, taking with them 74,400 gospel tracts. Glory to God!















