



Youth Trends

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When friendships fail and love grows cold,
Jesus, who gave His life for us remains our

Good Companion!



The purpose of Jesus Redeems Youth Ministries is to enlighten the hearts of the youngsters with the Word of God to make them the light of the world and to shine in the midst of darkness as a disciple of Lord Jesus Christ.

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FOREWORD

Dear Young Friends,

Greetings to you in the matchless name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

Never forget this truth—you, young people, are strong! In the Bible, God empowered and mightily used every young person who yielded to Him. Among them were two valiant men—**David** and his close friend **Jonathan**. Their friendship remains a shining example for generations.

Though Jonathan was next in line for the throne, he loved David so deeply that he set aside his own rights and desires to align with God's will. Because of this great love, Jonathan gave David his royal robe, his belt, his sword, his sash, and his bow—everything that symbolised royalty. In doing so, he clothed David like a king and rejoiced in it. Jonathan embraced his father's anger and hatred to protect David, standing as his shield. Even when Saul was determined to kill David, Jonathan boldly intervened time and again, defending him, saying, "David is innocent; he is righteous!" If there is one person who perfectly exemplifies true friendship, it is Jonathan. He sacrificed his own dreams, ambitions, and future glory just to be a loyal friend to David.



Yes, such friendship truly existed! But today, friendship often leads only to problems, sin, and tragedy. We see headlines filled with stories of murders committed in the name of friendship, thefts done in partnership with so-called friends, and clashes arising out of these bonds. Modern-day friendships are often laced with selfishness, deceit, and manipulation. Any relationship without Jesus at its centre is bound to end in confusion, failure, and pain. But when Jesus becomes your friend, you will be empowered to become a friend like Jonathan was to David—selfless, God-honouring, and faithful. Your friendship will no longer be self-seeking. Instead, it will carry a desire to fulfil God's will. There will be a holy fear to walk in a way that pleases God.

So, dear, young friend, Be a crutch for many to rise and walk. Be a ladder for others to climb higher. Be a bridge to lead many to walk in the right path. Let your friendship lead others in the way of righteousness. Let your friendship benefit many, not harm them. Let your life become the reason for someone else's growth and greatness. What cost are you willing to pay to bring many into the fold of righteousness?

Young friend, if you rise up with Jesus like David and Jonathan did, God will bring goodness and great victory to your town through you.

When you rise, many others will rise with you. Our generation is in need of young people like you who can challenge and uplift the youth community.

Be strong in Jesus Christ. Step Out. Be Victorious!

In Christ's Mission
Mohan C. Lazarus



A Heart Ablaze for Christ!

It was a bustling morning when we arrived at Brother Judah Bennyhinn's home in Hosur. He was in deep prayer, preparing for the salvation of one crore (10 million) souls. Though he had no idea who we were, he welcomed us with heartfelt warmth. As we introduced ourselves and sat down with a cup of coffee, an air of mystery lingered. What followed was an incredible conversation—and here we present it to you, just as it unfolded.



Judah
Bennyhinn

Testimony: Godwin

Hello, Brother! Could you tell us a bit about your family background?

I was born into a family that didn't know Jesus. When my father was still in my grandmother's womb, their house was infested with snakes and serpent nests. After he was born, snakes would coil around the cradle where he slept. That's how he got the name Nagaraj. My mother Anjima was a devout worshiper of Hanuman. My elder sister is Lakshmi, the younger one is Saraswathi, my brother is Ayyappan — and I was named Murugan. Every year, our family would perform rituals like walking on fire, piercing tongues, climbing hills barefoot, and carrying the Kavadi from Hosur to Palani. Our parents raised us in extreme devotion to our gods.



Tell us about your schooling and teenage years?

I studied in a Christian school from childhood. But by the time I was in 6th grade, I fell into bad company. I began smoking and drinking. One day, while drinking alcohol in a graveyard, I was possessed by an evil spirit. From that moment, the spirit began speaking to me, day and night. At night, I would see a snake coiled beside my bed, speaking and interacting with me as if it were alive. I saw it clearly with my own eyes and heard it in my ears. I, who once topped my class, began failing miserably. The spirit told me, "I'll make you mad." On the way to school, I'd suddenly start speaking to the sun, trees, and plants. I'd act violently at school, hitting others, cursing, even attacking teachers. Eventually, I had to be tied to a window by the teacher.

Thinking I had little time left to live, I embraced the idea of living it up — drinking, smoking, taking drugs, and leading an impure life. I tattooed my body all over, roamed the streets at night, stole vehicles for money to



buy drugs, and spent more time in police stations than at home. For nearly a year, I wandered around like a lunatic without even going home.

That sounds terrifying! Did anything change during your teenage years? Did you leave behind that life of sin?

While in 10th grade, I used to go to school early to play volleyball. Our school had daily Christian assemblies. A brother would speak about Jesus every day, urging us to accept Him. I used to tell him, "Please don't talk about Jesus — say anything else." Yet, he continued to buy us puffs and juice without ever mentioning Jesus again. For nearly 3–4 months, those snacks were our Gospel.

One day, he invited me to a meeting. I told him, "I'll come anywhere, just don't take me to a Christian meeting." But on May 26, 2012 (I was 16), he took me to a 3-day youth camp. That evening, the preacher declared, "I see Jesus face to face. Take hold of the sword!" I was stunned. I had offered garlands to many gods, walked on fire, yet none had ever spoken to me. "Who is this man who talks to his God?" I wondered. I asked those around me, "Did Jesus really speak to him?" And they all testified boldly, "Yes, Jesus is the Savior. He died for us and speaks to His people."

Did that question take root in your heart? Did you accept Jesus?

Yes, I was filled with a longing — "I want my God to speak to me too." I climbed to the fifth floor of the school building where the camp was held and began calling out to my deity. But instead of the god I worshiped, the same demonic serpent that used to terrify me appeared. Fear gripped me. The demon said, "The day has come to take your life."

Suddenly, a sharp pain pierced my heart like a needle. My chest felt crushed. I realized I had only two minutes to live. I called upon every deity I had worshipped — no one answered. In despair, I was about to jump off the fifth floor to end my life. At that moment, the skies split open, and a brilliant light shone down. From that light came a thunderous voice: "I am the true God. I died for you on the Cross and redeemed you. I am your Savior." The sound knocked me to the ground. I couldn't get up for three hours. Then I heard the voice again: "I carried the Cross and gave My life to save you. I need you for My ministry." I looked up and said, "Lord, if You truly gave Your life for me, then I will live the rest of my life for You." That day, I surrendered my life to God.

Wow! The God you didn't know came and spoke to you. Did your family accept your decision?

On May 27, 2012, Jesus found me and made me a new creation. When I told my mother, "Jesus spoke to me," she beat me and

mocked me. “Someone’s converted you. Forget that god and worship ours,” they insisted.

There was no place in my home I wasn’t beaten. I longed to attend church, but they would lock the bathroom doors to stop me from even bathing for service. I’d break the doors and still go. When I came back, my parents would be waiting with sticks, parading me through the streets in shame.

Despite the humiliation, at age 16, I was fiercely determined to live for the God who gave me life. On Sundays, I was denied food and made to stand outside until midnight before being allowed inside. I longed to read the Bible, but if I opened it, my mother would tear it apart or throw it in the fire. So I’d wait till everyone slept, then cover myself under a blanket and read it by torchlight.

In just three days, I finished reading the entire Bible — out of sheer hunger for God’s Word. I didn’t know how to pray, how to read the Bible properly, or how to give offerings. But during offering time, I’d put my hand in the box and say, “Lord, I give myself to You.”

This is heartbreaking to hear. Did your struggles end there?

Not at all. When I turned 17, my mother forced me to do a ritual (wearing a sacred mala) again as I did every year. But I had accepted Jesus Christ. How could I do this? I stood firm. My maternal uncle and my family beat me mercilessly without caring that I was still a teenager.

“If we had known you’d turn out like this, we’d have killed you as a child,” they said. “If you do the ritual as usual, you can stay. If not, leave this house right now.”

I was thrown out, clothes torn. At 17, I had no shelter. I slept at bus stands, railway stations, on platforms. To survive, I cleaned

public toilets in Hosur for ₹200, septic tanks for ₹100. People gave ₹50 or ₹20 for pulling weeds from their yards. That’s how I paid for my education.

After cleaning toilets, I’d head to school. Not for a day or two, for six long years. That’s how I completed school and college. I didn’t have a place to sleep, I had no food. Sometimes beggars shared their food with me. One Christmas, I received a pack of mixture. That was my meal for the next 28 days. I ate a little each day and drank water to make it last.

After finishing school and college, I would go into the wilderness, kneel, and cry out to God: “Lord, today the world may call me a beggar, a toilet cleaner, an orphan. But one day, I will lift Your Word and declare to the ends of the earth that ‘Jesus is Lord!’” For six years I prayed that prayer, singing from the depths of my heart: “I live only for You, Lord, for You are my love.”

After all those trials, did you find work after college?

By God’s grace, I completed a Mechanical Engineering degree and got a good job with a great salary. My family accepted me again. My income uplifted them. But then my Savior came to me again and said:

“I didn’t call you just to live for your family. I do not know you for that. I need you to serve Me.” I quit my job and cried out in my room: “Lord, I’ve never been to Bible college, no one prays for me, I don’t know how to preach, how to worship, or how to minister. But You chose me — what do You want me to do?”

And then your ministry began? How did your spiritual life grow?

I made a decision: “Until I see You, Lord, I will not eat, not speak, not see anyone. If I see anything, let it be You. If I hear anything, let it be Your voice.”

I began praying in my room. One day passed. Three days. Five. 21. Then 40. Still no sign of Jesus. Finally, after 97 days of not eating, not seeing anyone, one night, in that locked room, the Almighty walked in with radiant light. A voice from the light said, "Ask Me what you desire."

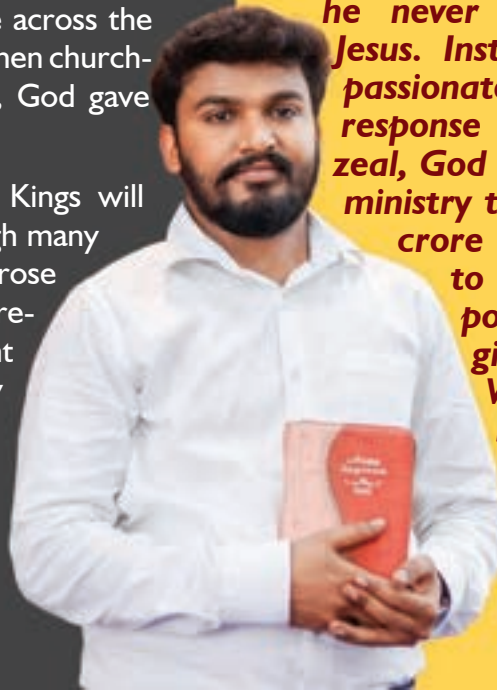
Just as I was about to ask for power and spiritual gifts, the Holy Spirit stopped me. That day, I learned that the Spirit gives what we need at the right time.

He whispered, "Don't ask for gifts — ask for souls." I looked at that light and said, "I don't want power or gifts — before I die, I want one crore souls." From the 97th day onward, the Lord spoke to me for three days and nights. On October 21, 2018, God Himself ordained me as a full-time minister. Since that day, He has led me graciously.

What an honor, to be chosen and sent by the Lord! What ministries are you involved in now?

God has now given me the authority to cast out the very demon that tried to drive me to suicide. He uses me across the nation to revive and strengthen churches. On October 21, 2018, God gave me a promise:

"I will give you Dindigul. Kings will come to your light." Though many enemies and hindrances rose against the ministry in this region, God helped me plant and establish a church. Pray that many more churches will be built! My passion to serve the Lord only grows stronger each day.



What message do you want to share with today's youth?

According to John 9:1–3, when Jesus saw the man born blind, the disciples asked if it was due to his own sin or his parents'. But Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him." Dear young people, you were born by God's design! Esther wasn't made queen to enjoy luxury, but to save a generation. Wherever you are, do whatever you can for God. Endure hardship. Love the Word. Be steadfast in prayer. You have only one life — live it to accomplish great things for Christ. Let's claim this nation for Jesus!!

Dear young friends, Bro. Murugan was born into a deeply religious family that did not know Jesus. Yet, Jesus sought him out, saved him, and transformed him into Judah Bennyhin. Today, God is using him as a bold witness through the "Jesus is Lord" ministry in the Hosur region. Despite facing countless struggles, wounds, rejections, and heartaches, he never turned away from Jesus. Instead, he grew more passionate for the Lord. In response to his unwavering zeal, God entrusted him with a ministry that has reached one crore souls, and continues to lead him with divine power and spiritual gifts.

When you choose to be zealous for the Lord, the Lord will, in turn, be zealous for you!

LOOSE THE KNOTS



Carefully read the clues provided and find the answers hidden in the crossword puzzle.

Once you've found a word, circle it in the puzzle, either horizontally or vertically.

✓ After completing the puzzle:

1. Take a clear photo of your circled crossword.
2. Type out the list of words you've found, in the order you discovered them.
3. Send both the photo and the list to us for review!

Let's see how many friendship-based Bible characters and themes you can uncover!

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1. I was a prince who gave up my crown for my best friend.
2. I redeemed the faithful Moabite who chose friendship over comfort.
3. I traveled far and wrote letters, always encouraging my friends in Christ.
4. A young companion, mentored in truth by Paul with fatherly love.
5. Once a runaway slave, I returned as a brother and friend in Christ.
6. I laid down My life for My friends and called them no longer servants.
7. My friend wept for me, then raised me from the tomb.
8. Though I denied Him, He called me friend and restored me with love.
9. I sang in prison with Paul and shared his trials for the Gospel.
10. Called a friend of God, I pleaded for a city and believed the impossible.

JULY MONTH ANSWERS

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| 1. King Asa (2 Chronicles 16:12) | 6. Moses (Numbers 21:8-9) |
| 2. Prophet Isaiah (2 Kings 20:1-5) | 7. Prophet Elijah (2 Kings 4:38-41) |
| 3. Leprosy (Leviticus 13:45-46) | 8. Prophet Elijah (1 Kings 17:21-22) |
| 4. Saul (Paul) (Acts 9:8-9) | 9. Revelation (Revelation 16:1-21) |
| 5. Tamars (1 Samuel 5:6-9) | 10. Gehazi (2 Kings 5:27) |

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

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SMALL START, GIANT STRIDES



Dear Young Achievers, My heartfelt greetings to each of you!

Many of us often wonder how to achieve success easily or become achievers in a short time. But success is never an accident—it requires carefully navigating through certain principles. If we hold on to four essential traits—a clear vision, relentless hard work, bold decisions, and integrity—nothing can stand in the way of our success. Let me introduce you to the inspiring journey of a man who built his success on these very foundations.

Michael Dell was born in 1965 in the United States. From a young age, his intense fascination with computers set him apart from the rest. At the age of 15, he dismantled the computer he had purchased, exploring its inner components with deep curiosity. This only fuelled his passion further. By the time he was 19, with just \$1,000 in hand, he launched his own company—PC's Limited—from a small room in his home.

Even though those around him encouraged him to pursue a career in medicine, Michael was determined to follow his dream. His business model was simple yet revolutionary: sell computers directly to the customer. This bold approach led Dell Technologies to global success.

What made his model even more impactful was the introduction of customizable computers, tailored to the customer's preferences, delivered with high quality at a lower cost. Progressing step by step, in 1992, Michael Dell became the youngest CEO ever featured in Fortune 500.

Beyond entrepreneurship, he has also shown remarkable concern for the welfare of society. Through the Michael and Susan Dell Foundation, he continues to work selflessly in the fields of education and children's welfare, implementing numerous philanthropic initiatives. For several years, he has consistently appeared on Forbes' list of the world's wealthiest individuals.

Dear readers, Michael Dell is a man who turned his curiosity and effort into one of the world's top tech companies. His journey is a powerful source of inspiration for us today. His life teaches us that we should not merely dream our way through life but work our way toward those dreams!

IF THE LORD is with you...

Gideon lived during the time when the Israelites were greatly oppressed by the Midianites. Because of their suffering, the Israelites cried out to the Lord. In response, God chose Gideon to deliver His people from the hands of the Midianites. The Lord sent His angel to Gideon and said, ***“The Lord is with you, mighty warrior! Go in the strength you have...”*** (Judges 6:12). The angel of the Lord instructed Gideon to tear down the altar of Baal belonging to his father and build a new altar for the Lord, offering a burnt sacrifice upon it. Gideon obeyed the Lord’s command—but fearing his family and the townspeople, he did it at night rather than in broad daylight (Judges 6:26–27).

Message: Mohan C. Lazarus

The same Gideon who was afraid to destroy his father’s altar during the day was chosen by God to defeat an army as vast as a swarm of locusts. The Lord, knowing Gideon’s timid nature, kindly strengthened him. He told Gideon, “If you are afraid to attack, go down to the camp with your servant Purah and listen to what they are saying. Afterward, you will be encouraged to attack the camp.” (Judges 7:9–15). God chose this hesitant, weak-in-

faith man, strengthened him in belief, and transformed him into a courageous warrior. And through this once fearful man, Gideon, the vast army of Midianites—numerous like locusts and the sand on the seashore—was overthrown with ease because the Lord was with him.

The Lord used Gideon to bring about a great deliverance. The Ammonites, the Midianites, the Amalekites, and the people of the east were scattered. The enemies were crushed, and the land was delivered. In the same way, if you surrender yourself, God can work mightily through you as well.



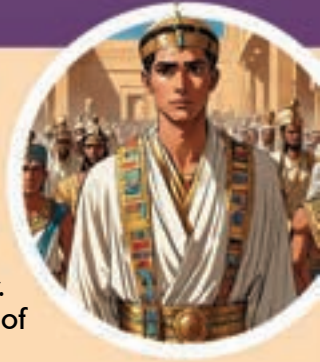
WHEN THE LORD IS WITH YOU...

Success Will Follow

“The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master. When his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord gave him success in everything he did...” (Genesis 39:2–3).

Joseph was deeply aware of God’s constant presence with him—in his labor, in times of temptation, in prison, and even after being promoted to power. He clung to the Lord wholeheartedly. And because of this, he became a man of success.

If you want to see success in your family, your business, or your studies, the Lord must be with you. Only then will you become successful in everything you do.



YOU WILL WALK IN WISDOM...

“David behaved wisely in all his ways, and the Lord was with him. When Saul saw how wisely David conducted himself, he was afraid of him.” (1 Samuel 18:14–15).

David faced the mighty warrior Goliath using nothing but stones and a sling—and with God-given wisdom, he won. When danger came through King Saul, David acted with prudence to preserve his life. As king, he led Israel with insight and intelligence, advancing the nation.

Whether you’re studying, working, or managing a business, the Lord will give you wisdom and understanding to succeed. If Jesus is with you, your knowledge, insight, and discernment will increase abundantly. David triumphed in every situation because he acted with wisdom.



YOU WILL BE EXALTED...

The Lord said to Joshua, “Today I will begin to exalt you in the eyes of all Israel so they may know that I am with you as I was with Moses.” (Joshua 3:7).

When we listen to and obey God’s commands with sincerity and faithfulness, He exalts us according to His Word. Exaltation is the divine approval given to actions carried out with reverent fear of God. Because Joshua feared the Lord, obeyed His Word, and acted with integrity, God publicly honored him in front of all the Israelites.

If you desire to be lifted up in your studies, career, or business, the Lord must be with you. Only His presence can bring true elevation.



Dear Young People, Though Gideon was timid and weak in faith, the Lord’s presence enabled him to overthrow a mighty army. Today, if God is with you, no roaring lion of trouble can overpower you—He will give you the strength to overcome! But first, you must surrender yourself to Him. No matter how great the problem, do not walk away from the Lord. When He is with you, success becomes inevitable, wisdom becomes your guide, and like Joshua, you will rise in honor!

A Thorn in the BOND



Dear Brother, I am 28 years old. I have three close friends with whom I studied both school and college. My parents have always treated them like their own sons. I also have a younger sister named Kanchana who is currently in her final year of B.E. Her ambition is to crack the Group-2 exam and get a government job. Recently, my friend Karthik confided in me that he has been in love with my sister for the past two years. I was utterly shocked. If my parents come to know, it would erupt like an earthquake in our family. They will never accept it. There's even a chance this could break our years of friendship. I'm completely unsure of how to proceed. Karthik has a major responsibility—he has to go abroad, earn money, and pay off his family's debts. He's currently preparing for overseas employment. If this issue blows up now, will his job opportunity be at risk? Will my sister's education suffer? What will become of my parents? And what will happen to our friendship? Thinking about all this has kept me under intense mental stress for the past three months. I honestly don't know what to do.

— Madhan, Chengalpattu.

Dear Madhan,

We understand your deep emotional turmoil. On one side is your sister's education and future; on the other, the fear that your close friend's overseas dreams might be shattered. The potential disaster if your parents find out. And the years-long friendship that now hangs in the balance. It's clear you've been carrying this inner battle for months.

Madhan, first and foremost, don't panic. Don't let fear drive your actions. Try to handle this situation with calm and wisdom. When a saree gets caught on a thorn bush, we must gently untangle it. If we rush, the thorn will pierce the hand, and the saree may tear. But if we act with care, both can be saved.

Start by calmly having an open conversation with Karthik. Help him reflect on his dreams, responsibilities, and the direction he's currently running toward. Make him understand the consequences and challenges that could arise if he continues with this love affair. Often, when people fall in love, everything else—ambitions, dreams, and purpose—gets eclipsed by the emotions and the person they love. There's a reason people say, "Love is blind."

Similarly, try to have a heart-to-heart conversation with your sister. Ask her what her current ambitions are. Help her weigh the possibilities—can she realistically manage both her studies and a relationship? Will her dream of cracking the Group-2 exam remain attainable? Help her see what to pursue to reach the peak and what to avoid to stay on track.

To overcome this crisis and return to normal life, your friend and sister must follow a few key steps...

Practical Steps for Your Sister

- ▶ It would be best to refrain from speaking with Karthik for the time being.
- ▶ Block his number on her mobile phone.
- ▶ Refrain from posting emotional or suggestive updates on social media.
- ▶ Fully concentrate on her final year of B.E.
- ▶ Begin preparation for the Group-2 exam alongside her studies.
- ▶ When we give our full attention to one goal, we naturally avoid distractions.

Practical Steps for Your Friend

- ▶ Karthik should avoid visiting your home for now.
- ▶ Block Kanchana's number on his phone.
- ▶ He should wholeheartedly focus on securing his overseas job opportunity.
- ▶ He must constantly remind himself that repaying his family's debts is his top priority.
- ▶ Encourage him to live with purpose and clarity, not just emotion.

Any separation in a relationship is always painful. But continuing a relationship that is not meant to be can lead to deeper pain and complications. Both Karthik and Kanchana need to understand this.

Madhan, if they're unwilling to listen to your counsel, explain the possible consequences clearly. Many of life's troubles stem from indecision and a lack of clarity. You must be the one to help them see what lies ahead.

Today's youth often fall in love without considering the consequences. They live more by emotions than reality and rarely reflect on what comes next.



If Karthik & Kanchana continue this relationship, here are the potential consequences...

- ▶ Your parents may react with anger and order you to sever ties with Karthik.
- ▶ Kanchana's education could be disrupted, and her Group-2 dream may be crushed.
- ▶ She may undergo unnecessary emotional distress.
- ▶ Unwanted issues could arise among your group of four friends, causing division.



► Karthik might lose focus on his job preparations and fall into mental distress. His dream and his burdened life could turn into an even heavier load.

What You Can Do...

► If both Karthik and Kanchana follow your guidance, focusing on studies and job searches, respectively, their futures and dreams can remain intact.

► During college, young people are often not mature enough to choose a life partner. This may just be an emotional attachment. If they handle it wisely, many problems can be avoided.

► Encourage Karthik to first go abroad, take care of his responsibilities, and settle his family's debts.

► Motivate your sister to stay focused on her education and her dream of securing a government job.

► At the same time, help your parents maturely understand the situation and, with love, guide your sister to step away from the relationship and return to normalcy. Avoid hurtful words—what she needs is support, not scars.

► Give your sister a few months. She's likely going through deep emotional wounds. Let her take time to forget and redirect her focus toward studies and other healthy pursuits.

If all four of you come together and handle the situation wisely, this issue can be resolved without hurting anyone.

Be patient. Don't rush. If you act with patience and wisdom, no relationship needs to be broken.

► Your sister's dream will become a reality.

► Your friend's vision will be fulfilled, and his life burden will be lifted.

► Your friendship will remain intact.

ALL THE BEST!

Youth Revival Meetings

In Chennai – Porur

*Date: August 10
Sunday,
Time: 4:00 PM
to 7:00 PM*

Venue:
Tamil Methodist Church,
3rd Street, Royala Nagar,
Rampuram

Contact: 80156 95100,
94884 75315

In Villupuram

*Date: September 7
Sunday,
Time: 5:00 PM
to 8:00 PM*

Venue:
Jesus Redeems
World Revival Prayer Centre,
1st Floor, H.M. Complex,
Shanthi Theatre Junction,
Opp to Namnadu Textiles

Contact: 88705 17324,
99620 85523



Message & Prayer.
Bro. Avinash

NO TREND...! My Friend

Hi Friends! Over the past five months, we've been exploring how a young person should be a role model based on biblical principles. This month, let's reflect on what it means to be a role model in purity.

Exemplary in Purity

In recent times, we see certain trends becoming popular that clearly go against biblical standards. Instead of conforming to the ever-changing trends of this world, when we choose to live according to God's Word, our lives become truly blessed.

Midnight biryani hangouts, birthday bashes, and weekend parties are examples of trends that attract young people in today's world. At the heart of these events lies a focus on entertainment and indulgence. Boys and girls, with no distinction, come together to drink, act wildly, and involve themselves in all kinds of sinful activities. The phrase "just for fun" has become increasingly common among today's youth. But the Bible warns us through Ecclesiastes, "Rejoice, O young man, in your youth... yet know that for all these things, God will bring you into judgement."

Dear beloved young friend,

The Bible teaches that before entering into the sacred covenant of marriage, a young man or woman must keep their body pure and holy. But today, some have embraced the wrong belief that "You can live however you want before marriage, as long as you're faithful afterward." This view is completely unbiblical. Holiness is not bound by time — it must be preserved always.

Dear young brother, dear young sister — your purity matters deeply. Purity is not a concern only for women; it's equally essential

for men. Sexual sin is one of the most dangerous and destructive. If we defile our body, the Bible clearly warns that God Himself will destroy us, because this body is the temple where God dwells. If we give space in this temple for immorality, impurity, and sin, peace will flee from our lives.

Many believe that sin is committed only when it is acted upon physically. But even a sinful thought can lead to destruction. As Jesus says in Matthew chapter 5, "Whoever looks at a



woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart." This shows the importance of keeping our mind and thoughts pure. In today's digital age, sinful temptations are everywhere: movies, web series, and media — all filled with sexual content. These things infiltrate the hearts of youth, corrupting them and stealing their purity.

So be extremely cautious in this area of your life.

Living together before marriage, or having "friends with benefits" — these are not trends. They are traps that will ruin your life. Instead, let us live in purity and create a new holy trend that becomes an example for others to follow!

Good Companion



In every person's life, there exists a noble bond that transcends blood—a bond called friendship. A genuine friendship knows no barriers of age, language, caste, or religion. It is rooted in mutual understanding and plays a vital role in every season of our lives. True friends walk beside us in both joy and sorrow. Just as a string entwined with flowers carries fragrance, a life entwined with a good friend overflows with richness and honour.

We read in the Bible that when Jesus was staying in a house in Capernaum, four friends, upon hearing about His presence, brought their paralyzed friend to Him. ***“Since they could not get near Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Him and lowered the mat the man was lying on”*** (Mark 2:4). This act of determination astonished the gathered crowd. Moved by their concern and faith, Jesus healed the paralyzed man. To have such caring friends is a rare and precious blessing. This man's life was transformed because he had four good friends. If the friends around you are genuinely concerned about your well-being, your life, too, will be enriched. That's why it's crucial to choose your friends wisely. Friends can either lift you up or pull you down—never forget that.



Today, countless youth disregard the words of their parents and instead follow the voice of their friends—only to lose direction and drift onto the wrong path. ***“Do not be misled: Bad company corrupts good character”*** (1 Corinthians 15:33). When Solomon rested with his ancestors, his son Rehoboam became king. He rejected the wise counsel of the elders and instead consulted the young men he had grown up with and who now stood before him (1 Kings 12:8). His foolish decision led to the division of the kingdom of Israel. Rehoboam's life was wrecked, and God's divine plan for him was hindered—all because he chose to follow misguided friends. If you let the wrong people influence your decisions,



you may miss the destiny God has prepared for you.

Ben Johnson, once a legend in world athletics, fell from glory because he listened to a misguided friend's advice and used performance-enhancing drugs. As a result, his Olympic gold medals were stripped, and he was banned for two years. Even after returning to the sport, he was caught again and received a lifetime ban—losing the dream he had worked for all his life. His friend's poor advice ruined his destiny. This is why choosing the right friends is crucial. Spend time with those who uplift and strengthen you, and your life will flourish. Sometimes, even trusted friends can become enemies. But Jesus remains a

faithful friend in all seasons. Because He loved us, He gave His life for us. **“Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends”** (John 15:13).

Dear young friends, Jesus is the only unfailing friend who supports you through both trials and triumphs. Earthly friends may abandon you, but Jesus never will. No matter how many friends you may have in this world, only Jesus can love you unconditionally and eternally!

MOUNT SINAI

A One-Day Fasting Prayer for Youth!

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

This meeting will be held at 36 locations across the states of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Pondicherry, Karnataka, and Kerala.

Date: 2025

OCTOBER

20 (Public Holiday)

Monday

Chennai Zone
Thiruvallur, Chennai, Kanchipuram, Chengalpattu, Vellore, Ranipet, Pernambut

Coimbatore Zone
Tiruppur, Coimbatore, Erode, Pollachi, Kangayam, Udumalpet

Trichy Zone
Thanjavur, Trichy, Karur

Salem Zone
Namakkal, Salem, Tirupattur

Madurai Zone
Theni, Madurai, Sivagangai, Ramanathapuram, Dindigul

Cuddalore Zone
Pondicherry, Tindivanam

Tirunelveli Zone
Jebamalai, Tirunelveli, Kovilpatti, Nalumavadi, Sankarankovil, Nagercoil

Andhra Pradesh Zone
Chittoor, Tirupati

Karnataka Zone
Bangalore

Kerala Zone
Thiruvananthapuram

Dear Parents,
Kindly encourage your children to participate in the youth fasting prayer happening in your area.

Dear youth...! Come, let us unite in prayer and cover our nation under a mighty cloud of intercession!

For Contact:

Chennai, Coimbatore: 94884 75315, Madurai, Tirunelveli: 97509 55548, Trichy: 94897 75075
Salem, Cuddalore, Andhra: 97914 44788, Kerala: 0471-2331392, 92497 18266



YOUTH REVIVAL MEETINGS



During the months of May and June, impactful Youth Revival Gatherings were conducted in several locations, including Alangulam, Sholinghur, Mumbai – Thane, Malad, Salem – Karumandurai, Dindigul, Valliyoor, and Thiruppurur. A total of 2,421 young people participated in these gatherings. Centred on the theme "Arise and Shine to Be a Flame for Revival," many anointed servants of God ministered the Word and interceded fervently for the youth. The Lord mightily used His servants. The young people who attended were filled with a divine vision for revival and were anointed to become firebrands who would carry and spread the flames of revival. All glory be to God!



Sensational News

Hi friends,

How are you all doing? I'm thrilled to meet you once again through this series titled Sensational News!

This month, too, I came to meet you with another astounding piece of news.

But before that, let's take a moment to remember something from the Bible—how Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who were taken captive to Babylon, went on to reshape the very history of that land. These young men became influential leaders of that kingdom, not by political power, but by boldly revealing the might and glory of our God. They didn't just influence people—they turned even the officials of that foreign nation toward the living God!



When King Nebuchadnezzar ordered everyone to bow down to his golden statue, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refused without fear, declaring their allegiance to the one true God. Enraged, the king cast them into the blazing furnace. But what followed was astonishing—they walked unharmed in the fire, joyfully, and with them was a fourth person whose presence stunned the king. Witnessing this miracle, Nebuchadnezzar put his faith in our God and declared Him as his

own. What led to the king's salvation? It was the unwavering

zeal and uncompromising faith of those four young men. Sadly today, many young believers are quick to compromise their faith under pressure and fail to stand boldly for God.

Now, you might wonder—do such miracles still happen today?

Right when I was pondering this question, an incredible story reached us from the town of Amherst. Rev. Peter Cartwright was a powerful preacher of the Gospel for over 70 years.

One day, he was invited to speak at a Methodist church. As is the custom, a hymn was sung before the sermon. Just then, the President of the United States at the time—Andrew Jackson—walked in and quietly took a seat.

The pastor of the church hurried over to whisper in Cartwright's ear, "The President is here. Please don't say anything that might offend him." But Cartwright, unde-

tered, went on to preach about repentance. He showed no fear at all. Boldly, he declared, "If you do not repent, destruction is certain. Just as destruction awaits an unrepentant common man, it also awaits an unrepentant president."

The church pastor was shaken. But Cartwright was unshaken. And President Jackson? Far from being offended, he was deeply moved. After the service, he sought the preacher and thanked him for the divine truth he had spoken.

That encounter marked the beginning of their friendship. Step by step, Cartwright led the President closer to Christ. Eventually, Jackson became a true Christian and earned a name as one of the finest presidents. A person who fears man can never be a powerful preacher. Cowards cannot serve in the army of the Lord. "The righteous are as bold as a lion" (Proverbs 28:1).



Is it a miracle only when the blind see, the sick are healed, or needs are met? No! A soul being saved is a miracle too. And when someone in a position of power comes to salvation, that is an even greater wonder.

God is preparing you, the one reading this, to stand before kings and officials. Through you, He will command their salvation. But for that to happen, you must overcome the fear that holds you back. It was Cartwright's fearless conviction that led to the rise of a truly Christian leader. The emergence of godly leaders is in the hands of young believers like you. So, friends, Are you ready to change the nation?

(To be continued)

Prayer Guide

August 2025

Prayer: Esther

- 1** Let us pray for deliverance for the nearly 160 million people across India enslaved by alcohol addiction—7.5% of whom are women.
- 2** Let us pray for freedom for school and college students whose lives are being destroyed by drug addiction.
- 3** Let us intercede for young people who have lost their education, jobs, and future due to substance abuse, that they may repent and return.
- 4** Let us pray for the complete implementation of alcohol prohibition in states like Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, and Telangana, which generate significant revenue from liquor sales.
- 5** Let us pray for a divine transformation in the hearts of Chief Ministers of states responsible for over 45% of the country's alcohol sales.
- 6** Let us pray for the repentance of those who, in their poverty and joblessness, turn to stealing and robbery to buy alcohol.
- 7** Let us pray that our nation be freed from the tragedy where 3 million people die annually—6 every minute—due to alcohol consumption.
- 8** Let us pray for healing and deliverance for the nearly 10 million people suffering from liver disease, oral cancer, pancreatic disorders, tuberculosis, and other illnesses caused by alcohol use.
- 9** In India, one woman dies every 8 minutes due to cervical or oral cancer. Let us pray for a divine intervention to halt the loss of the 280,000 women who die from these diseases every year.
- 10** Let us pray for complete healing for all those battling cancer and undergoing treatment.
- 11** Let us intercede for the creation of a cancer-free generation and that governments ensure the availability of essential medications without shortage.
- 12** Globally, the number of people living in poverty has risen from 713 million (11 years ago) to 838 million. Let us pray for this tide of poverty to be reversed.
- 13** In Gujarat, one in three families—over 3.1 million households—live below the poverty line. Let us pray for a transformation in the state's poverty condition.

14 Let us pray that the government provides suitable employment for the 3.535 million people in Tamil Nadu waiting for government jobs.

15 Let us intercede for job opportunities for the 758,639 young people aged 18 to 25 who have applied for government jobs.

16 India has the highest number of graduates in the world—over 100 million—but ranks low in employment generation. Let us pray for a breakthrough in this situation.

17 Let us pray for the government to fill vacancies in public offices so that unemployed youth may find work and their future may be blessed.

18 Let us pray for the comfort and healing of the families of the 242 passengers who died in the tragic Air India crash en route from Ahmedabad to London.

19 Let us pray that all air travel be protected from accidents and disasters.

20 Let us intercede that pilots, flight attendants, and everyone in the aviation industry may come to know and accept Jesus.

21 Let us pray for the safety of India's 34 international airports, for proper aircraft maintenance, and that all involved be given divine wisdom.

22 In 2024, 1,374 earthquakes struck across the world, shaking many nations. Let us pray for the prevention of such calamities in the future.

23 In past years, earthquakes have claimed about 550 lives and caused widespread damage. Let us pray that such tragedies never recur.

24 Let us pray that the natural disasters caused by global warming be halted and that human lives everywhere be preserved.

25 Let us intercede for the 340 million people worldwide suffering from severe hunger—that they may be fed.

26 Let us pray for the 960 million people displaced from 18 nations due to food scarcity—that they may settle and live peacefully in their new countries.

27 Let us pray that climate change, which threatens agriculture and leads to food shortages, be restrained.

28 Let us pray that government food relief reaches the starving and that deaths due to hunger be greatly reduced.

29 Let us pray that the Holy Spirit be poured out upon all flesh.

30 Let us intercede for a mighty revival to sweep through churches across the world.

31 Let us pray for the destruction of every demonic power rising against the Church and for the divine protection of all churches.





As a young boy, Bruce Olson accepted Christ into his life. At the age of 15, he learned about unreached people groups in South America. Deeply burdened by their spiritual state, he began to pray fervently for them and even started collecting all the information he could about them. In 1961, at the age of 19, with a clear confirmation of God's call and in spite of strong opposition from his parents, Bruce left for the city of Venezuela as a missionary—with nothing more than 70 dollars in his pocket. His money soon ran out, forcing him to rely solely on God's provision. During this time, he also became fluent in Spanish.

When he learned about the Motilone tribe -an indigenous group known for their extreme isolation and hostility to outsiders—his heart grew heavy with concern. Around this time, the government issued an order for all foreigners to leave Venezuela immediately. Unsure of what to do next, Bruce found help

Revival Seeds

Last month, we explored how Mary Slessor, driven by her deep love for the Lord, boldly endured countless challenges in Africa and led many to Christ. This month, let us look at the life of another missionary who, defying parental opposition, set out with only 70 dollars in hand and continues to serve God faithfully to this day.



Bruce Olson

from someone at the place he was staying. This individual arranged for Bruce to remain in South America and helped him begin work among the tribal people.

One day, guided by a local, Bruce set out on a long journey through the dense forests in search of the Motilone tribe. After several days, when they reached the edge of the tribe's territory, the guide pointed and said, "This is where the Motilone people live," and

suddenly disappeared. As Bruce continued on, a six-foot-long arrow shot through the air and pierced his thigh. He collapsed, unconscious. When he awoke, he found himself surrounded by men armed with spears. Because the tribal chief was not present, they confined him to a house instead of killing him immediately. Bruce remained there for two days until he was rescued by a few hunters who took him to a hospital.

Within two weeks, he recovered completely. Undeterred by the danger he had faced, Bruce set out once more with a burning desire to proclaim Christ to the Motilone people. As he approached their village again, he saw five young warriors armed with arrows hiding behind a bush. Olson hesitated, but they took him to the tribal chief instead of attacking. On the way, Bruce fainted due to jaundice. Nevertheless, the young men carried him to the chief. Thinking he would die anyway, they laid him down in their massive communal hut, deciding to let nature take its course. That night, Bruce slowly crept out while everyone slept and collapsed outside in the open field.

A pilot spotted the body of a man lying motionless in the open and landed a helicopter to rescue him. The tribespeople, who were watching from a distance, believed a “giant eagle from the sky” had carried him away. The very next week, Bruce returned to the same village, fully recovered, and began treating villagers who were suffering from eye infections. When they were healed, the village chief and the people accepted him as a friend. Their respect for him grew.

The Motilone people worshipped a deity named “Dibódibó,” whom they believed lived

in a magnificent hut beyond the stars. Using this belief as a starting point, Olson explained that Dibódibó is a loving God who desires to dwell with the Motilone people. He told them that this God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, into the world, who died for their sins and rose again. Olson shared that anyone who confessed their sins and accepted Jesus would be welcomed into the great house of Dibódibó. Gradually, hearts began to turn to the Lord.

The change was not instant. Olson patiently confronted their sinful practices, showing them what displeased God. Over time, the people began to heed his words. The very

young man who had first shot an arrow at Olson — named Coraira—was the first to repent and accept Christ. Following him, many Motilone people turned to the Lord. Over 28 years of ministry, Bruce Olson established 10

medical centers, 15 agricultural development centers, 8 trading markets, 12 schools, and numerous churches among the Motilone people.

Dear young readers, despite being pierced by arrows, stricken by disease, and constantly risking his life, Bruce Olson fearlessly carried the love of Christ to the Motilone tribe and led them to salvation. Today, at 83 years old, he continues to serve not only among the Bari people but also among countless other indigenous communities in the jungles of Colombia. His unwavering faith in God and obedience to His call made him a trailblazer in the Kingdom of God. If you have a heart of surrender, God can use you mightily too!





Igniters Youth Fellowship is a place where young people ignite their spiritual lives, discover the profound truths of the Bible, and find strength in praying for the country as a group. You are welcome to join in on this fellowship and grow stronger. Come on! Strengthen yourself, and get ready to fortify others!

EVERY 1ST SUNDAY (3RD AUG)

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, Muniasampuram 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 (9TH AUG)

BANGALORE (3PM-5PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, 57/2 Thomasappa layout (Opp) Lumbini Garden Bus Stand Outer Ring Road, Veerannapalaya (Nagavara) 9791444788 | 080 35 45 45

EVERY 2ND SUNDAY (10TH 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

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)

World Revival Prayer Centre, #203, Madurai Road, Opp. Anantham Silk, Dr. Kamaraj Hospital, 1st Floor 9750955548 | 9976766422

SURANDAI (2:00PM)

Jawaharlal Middle School 9443962141 | 9750955548

SATHANKULAM (3PM -5:30PM)

Hendry Matric Higher Secondary School, Mela Sathankulam. 9442885315 | 9786212103

CHENGALPET (3PM – 5:30PM)

Reheboth Church, Near old bus stand,
9710809626 | 9488475315

NAMAKKAL (3PM -5:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
16B Naveen Nest Apartment,
Podhigai Nagar, 1st street, Salem Road,
Namakkal-637001
9962085523 | 94886 18305

POLLACHI (3PM TO 6PM)

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

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, 1st Floor,
Near Fire Service, Gandhiji Road
9750722000

EVERY 3RD SATURDAY (16TH AUG)**MYSORE (3:30PM - 6PM)**

World Revival Prayer Center,
3818, 14th Cross, St. Mary's Road,
FTS Circle, N.R. Mohalla.
9962085523 | 9886311777

PERAMBALUR (5PM -8PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
M K Complex, \\\n71, Venkatesapuram,
Near Bank of Baroda,
Trichy Main Road.
9788788512

EVERY 3RD SUNDAY (17TH AUG)**SALEM (3PM - 6PM)**

Karunya Prayer Hall,
76/67, Near Thinathanthi office,
opp. Gandhi Stadium, Arisipalayam 2.
9962085523

TIRUNELVELI (2:30 PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Shah Complex,
#43/R4, Rajendra Nagar,
Trivandrum Road
9750955548 | 9047480484

SIVAKASI (3PM -5PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
HOREB Complex,
1st Floor, P K N Road,
(Near Rathna vilas Bus Stop)
9677858766 | 9442906567

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

CHENNAI (3 PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Prince Kushal Towers,
7th Floor B-Wing,
Adjacent to LIC Metro,
Mount Road,
9488475315

NALUMAYADI (3PM -5:30PM)

Tabernacle of God,
Nalumavadi
9442885315

JEBAMALAI (2 PM)

Keelamathapuram, Kadaiyam (via),
Tenkasi Dist.
8300131000 | 9750955548

TIRUVARUR (3:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
I.S.A. Rice Mill Complex,
TTP Main Rd.
9976766322 | 7373374733

RANIPET (3PM-6PM)

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

NAGERCOIL (3PM TO 6PM)

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

PONDICHERRY (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Kottupalayam Lawspet,
opp. Latha Steel, E C R Road.
8344433800 | 9442885315

CHITTOOR (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Kamlambal Street, Readspet,
Kangareddy palli,
9487734603

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY (24TH AUG)**THIRUVALLUR (3PM -5:30PM)**

World Revival Prayer Centre,
H S R Tower,
2nd Floor, Near CSI Gowdi Church
9488475315

KARUR (3PM-5:30PM)

CSI Boys High schools,
Jawahar Bazaar,
Bunglaw Street, Karur.
9489775075

MUMBAI-MALAD (4PM – 6PM)

Bethel Ground Floor, 305/E,
Mith Chauky,
Marve Road, Malad (W)
9664050567 | 9619996976

PERNAMPET (3PM TO 6PM)

Revival Prayer centre, VK Road.
9442885315

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

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Near ML Hospital, Thisayanvilai.
9487810845, 9750955548

MADURAI (3PM -5:30PM)

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

*Join us every month
without fail;
Become catalysts of a
mighty revival!*

I am a Prayer Warrior



My dear brothers and sisters!

Over the past six months, under the series titled "I Am a Prayer Warrior," we have explored various types of prayers—intercessory prayer, supplication, tearful prayer, fasting prayer, compassionate prayer, and warfare prayer. This month, we'll delve into how Elijah prayed earnestly, what he prayed for, and whether his earnest prayers were answered.

and even the water in the trench (1 Kings 18:38).

Earnest Prayer

"Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years" (James 5:17).

Though Elijah was a prophet, the Bible emphasizes that he was just like us—a mere man. Yet, when he prayed, heaven withheld rain for three and a half years.

Elijah didn't offer lengthy prayers. His words were few, but his prayers were filled with purpose and power. God heard and responded to such focused prayers.

"Answer me, Lord, answer me, so these people will know that you, Lord, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again" (1 Kings 18:36–37). Before 450 prophets of Baal, Elijah stood alone. With a short but sincere prayer, he sought to prove that "The Lord—He is God." The moment he finished, fire from heaven fell, consuming the burnt offering, the wood, the stones, the dust,

Our prayers, too, need not always be long. What matters most is their depth, intention, and faith. A short but meaningful prayer, uttered with trust in God, can move heaven. That said, this does not mean we should always pray briefly. What matters is that even when short, our prayers are intentional, faith-filled, and full of unwavering trust in God. Only then will we surely receive answers.

Elijah's Humanity and Heroism

Even though Elijah was a prophet, he too walked through hardship and famine. He once



cried out, “It is enough, Lord; take my life!” That’s how deeply Jezebel’s threats affected him. Though Elijah was human and weak like us, he didn’t give up on God—and God never gave up on him.

A Man of Faith: Elijah prayed and brought a dead child back to life.

A Man of Obedience: When God told him to stay by the brook during the famine, he obeyed. When instructed to stay with the widow in Zarephath, he complied again.

A Man of Courage: He fearlessly confronted King Ahab and the people of Israel, declaring, “If Baal is God, follow him; but if the Lord is God, follow Him.”

A Mighty Prayer Warrior: Elijah prayed earnestly both to stop the rain and to bring it back—and God answered him.

A Man of Fire and Power: Elijah called down fire from heaven, performed many miracles, stood boldly against royalty, defeated the prophets of Baal, walked in the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and is revered as one of the greatest prophets.

The Five Earnest Prayers of Elijah

✦ **To Stop the Rain:** When the Israelites worshipped Baal, Elijah prayed for a drought, and God withheld the rain (James 5:17).

✦ **To Raise the Widow’s Son:** During the famine, the widow of Zarephath’s son died. Elijah prayed three times, and God restored the boy’s life (1 Kings 17:21–22).

✦ **To Prove the Lord Is God:** In a national showdown between Baal and the Lord, Elijah prayed for God to reveal Himself—and fire fell from heaven (1 Kings 18:36–37).

✦ **To Bring Rain:** After the drought, Elijah knelt down and prayed seven times for rain. God sent the rain (1 Kings 18:42–45).

✦ **To Die:** When Jezebel sought to kill him, Elijah cried, “It is enough, Lord; take my life.” But God did not take his life—instead, He took Elijah up to heaven alive (1 Kings 19:4).



Dear Young Warriors of Prayer!

God answered every one of Elijah’s five earnest prayers. If we, like Elijah, offer our prayers with purpose and passion, we too will receive divine answers. May we press in with intentional, heartfelt prayers and experience the power of heaven on earth!



News

UPI-Based Payment System to Be Launched at Post Offices Nationwide from August 1

As part of a continued effort to modernize financial transactions, a new digital payment system is set to be introduced across post offices throughout India starting August 1. India currently has approximately 1.55 lakh post offices, the majority of which are located in rural areas. The Indian Postal Department has been evolving to keep pace with technological advancements, offering a wide range of services aligned with current digital trends.



In recent years, the use of UPI (Unified Payments Interface) for financial transactions has seen exponential growth nationwide. Recognizing this trend, the postal department has planned to implement UPI-based digital payments at the post office counters, a service that sees extensive usage by the general public.

A successful pilot run of this initiative was conducted at post offices in Mysuru and Bagalkot districts of Karnataka. Following the positive outcome of this trial, the department is now rolling out the system nationwide.

From August 1 onward, customers visiting post offices will be able to scan QR codes at the counters to make payments seamlessly. They can use UPI services through popular apps such as Paytm, Google Pay, and PhonePe for their transactions. - Dinakaran, June 30, 2025.

Thousands Laid Off Again: Microsoft announces another Wave of Job Cuts

Tech giant Microsoft has once again initiated a massive round of layoffs—its fourth in the year—sending shockwaves through the global IT industry.

The company began issuing termination notices yesterday to a large number of employees. However, it has not disclosed the exact number of staff affected in this latest round. Previously, in January, Microsoft laid off about 1% of its workforce. In May, another 6,000 employees were let go, followed by 305 more in June.

Now, with a new wave of layoffs announced on July 2, uncertainty and unrest have spread among Microsoft employees. According to a report by Bloomberg, an estimated 9,000 employees could be affected by this round. - Dinathanthi - July 3, 2025.

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Revival:

The act of becoming or making something strong or popular again.

The Revival of the Past

A certain servant of God once drew a circle around himself in prayer and cried out, "Lord, let revival break out across our land — but first, let it begin within this circle." And God answered that prayer. In the days that followed, a great awakening swept across the nation through his ministry!

But what about today?

We pray for revival... But we seem to have forgotten what true revival really is.

In the days of the apostles, following Jesus meant a death sentence. Yet, in the face of grave danger, when the disciples came together in one accord and prayed, God answered! The Holy Spirit descended with power, and in a single day, 3,000 souls were saved!

The first prerequisite for revival is unity of heart.

But today, we struggle to remain united even for a single hour of prayer — let alone with others or in one place!

Now

The kind of "unity" we possess today often sounds like:

"My problems must be solved... I want to be well..."

This type of fellowship is a self-focused unity.

But the kind of unity that sparks revival is this:

"The people who are groping in darkness without knowing God, and the souls that are drifting towards hell, must come to know Jesus, the Giver of life, and live in the light!"

*Let revival start with us!
Let the experiences of the early
apostles begin again in our day!
Let us be shaped by God's influence,
not by the world or fleeting trends.
Let the Holy Spirit set us ablaze
— and may Jesus Christ alone
be made famous!*

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