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2019 Motto

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

Ephesians 5:14

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CONFIRMATION SERVICE
Saturday, July 20, 10 AM

32nd CSI Family & Youth Conference
July 25-28, Houston

Vacation Bible School - August 1-3

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Editorial

Be ye holy; for I'm holy ...

The world that fell from being the garden of Eden to a chaotic pandemonium is swelling up with the schemes of the fallen angel, Satan. Heavenly peace, joy and love have now been replaced by worldly versions. People are allured by the knowledge explosion and creative thinking, and they have tried to interpret the Word of God to suit their lifestyles. One of my colleagues, while I was sharing the Christian faith and the love of God, asked me whether that was the only interpretation. He was alluding to the current, liberal viewpoints of inclusivity and said that my interpretation might not stand up.

“For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.” (2 Timothy 4:3)

Though God has shown us the way, the truth and the life through the atoning sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, we still are guided by the wisdom of the old serpent. Many people have advocated for the relaxation of the Word of God, and some of them have given up their hope in the Lamb of God. The wisdom of the world has infiltrated into the church, making it vulnerable and all accepting. It has corrupted the sanctity of religious beliefs and faith.

The people of God, the ambassadors, must pray fervently to gather heavenly strength if they ought to tell others about the unfathomable love of God. People should be taught that *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and for ever.* (Hebrews 13:8) He doesn't change his views or standards. *Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.* (Matthew 24: 35) Let the wisdom from above empower everyone to take up this biggest challenge.

Samuel Anselm Samuel
Editor

Achen's Message



Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

We are all called to be the disciples of Christ, and we must live according to this call. Our daily lives, thoughts, words and deeds should reflect this transformation in our lives. As the disciples of Christ, we have to live with Christ and pray for the anointment of the Holy Spirit. This can be done anywhere, any-time through personal prayer, family prayer, cottage prayer or the church worship. A prayerful life reflects the beauty and the character of Lord Jesus.

Apostle Paul mainly explains about two Christian characters. In Philippians 1:27 & 2:2-4, he teaches us the unity and harmony among the believers. Believers should stand firm in one spirit and mind. For that, Paul offers a solution. Hold others more significant than yourself (2:3). Everybody has selfish interests, and they try to control others. Most of the problems start from this attitude. Paul advised that we should not look to our own interests but look to the interests of others. (2:4). Live together in harmony and in love. Live in the unity of the spirit to start the gospel in this world and to grow in faith. We have only one role model...yes, Jesus Christ. If Jesus in us, our attitudes will surely change to that of self emptying, self denying, suffering, obedience and delighting in doing the father's Will.

Secondly, suffering for the Lord is a privilege. Suffering is a powerful medium which God uses to mold us and shape us for transforming us to have a Christian character. Apostle Paul also suffered due to his sickness. But he considered it as a privilege. When we are suffering, understand Jesus is with us. Can you take it as a challenge?

Bible study, Wednesday intercessory prayer, monthly fasting prayer and At the Feet of Jesus are actively conducted in our church. Spring cleaning and barbeque was a success. Thank you to all who participated in that.

Mrs. Susan Joseph and Mrs. Elizabeth Abraham modified two plots of our garden. I would like to express my sincere thanks to them.

Our church choir and I attended Anglican church's Pentecost day celebration and mass confirmation at Christ the King Anglican Church. Multi linguistic worship was conducted there. Our choir sung a beautiful Malayalam song. I appreciate all the choir members, the Director, Chris George and the Master, Daniel Thomas.

Our Entertainment Committee is planning for a church picnic to Byng Island. On behalf of the committee I would like to invite all of you to this entertainment.

Our youth donated clothes to the Salvation Army. They will also serve food to the poor next month at Salvation Army. In coordination with World Vision, our youth is doing a 30-hour fast. Through that they plan to collect an amount for the World Vision charity work. I appreciate the Director, Joshua Moothedom and all youth members.

Our mission board has started a food collection for the poor and needy. Please contribute unperishable food for that.

Our confirmation service will be held at 10 am on July 20, 2019 Saturday. CSI moderator, Most Rev. Thomas K. Oommen will lead the worship. Please pray for the confirmation students, parents, worship leaders and the bishop.

We had a blessed Men's Fellowship Sunday on June 16th. Rev. Josiline from CSI Christ Church Toronto gave the message. I express my sincere thanks to Josiline achen, our choir members and the Director, Santhosh Cherian.

May God bless you all

Rev. Anish M. George Padickamannil



BIRTHDAYS

03	Monish John Abraham	10	Sarah Ann Abraham
03	Bishan Ghosh	11	Anna Esther Samuel
04	Premax C. P	12	Joshua George
04	Rejy Elizabeth	14	Shibu Paul Pulikaparambil
04	Angelina Jophy	15	Ayaan Vivek
04	Siji Joseph	15	Sumin George
04	Preetha Rejikumar	16	Mridul Mathew Kuruvilla
05	Dhyan Vivek	18	Nathan Abraham
05	Mohan Philip	19	Aleyamma Jacob
05	Jovin Mathew	23	Christopher Moothedom
06	Saurang P. Thampy	25	Selva Daniel
07	Ajoy Lional	28	Sneha John
10	Rajitha Jinoj	30	Nithin Chemmanoor

ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Prem Narayan & Reshma George
- 02 Vivek Joseph & Shruti Balakrishna
- 14 Siby Jacob & Ancy Jacob
- 16 Daniel Thomas & Mariamma Thomas
- 19 Suby Mathews & Ruby Mariam Mathew

<p>July 07 4th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM</p>	Giving without Counting the Cost		
	Old Testament	Genesis 13:8-18	English Service
	Psalm	15	Read by
	Epistle	2 Corinthians 8:1-15	Hans Thomas & Family
	Gospel	Mark 14:3-11	
<p>July 14 5th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM</p>	Theological Education: Making of the Faithful		
	Old Testament	Joshua 4:1-9	Malayalam Service
	Psalm	1	Read by
	Epistle	1 Timothy 6:11-16	Anil & Family
	Gospel	Matthew 13:1-9	
<p>July 20 Saturday Confirmation 10:00 AM</p>	Sacrament		
	Old Testament	Ezekiel 36:26-28	English Service
	Psalm	91	Read by
	Epistle	Romans 8:12-17	Church Committee
	Gospel	John 14:15-17	
<p>July 21 6th Sunday after Pentecost Matins 10:30 AM</p>	People of God: Flock of Christ		
	Old Testament	Genesis 35:1-15	Malayalam Service
	Psalm	95	Read by
	Epistle	Acts 16:11-15	Abraham K. Varghese & Family
	Gospel	John 10:1-6	
<p>July 28 7th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM</p>	Ordained Ministry: Fragrance of Christ		
	Old Testament	Exodus 29:1-9	English Service
	Psalm	99	Read by
	Epistle	Ephesians 5:1-14	Sam Daniel & Family
	Gospel	Luke 10:1-11	

Men's Sunday

MEN'S SUNDAY

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Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship

The Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship is held in the sanctuary every Wednesday from 10:00 am till 12:00 noon. Please come and join us for the fellowship.

Monthly Fasting Prayer

Fasting prayer for the month of July will be held on Saturday, July 06 at 10:00 am in the sanctuary. Please come and be blessed.

Board Meeting – July 14, 2019

A meeting of the board members will be held on July 14, 2019 immediately after the social hour at the board room.

Confirmation Service – July 20, 2019

“Confirm, O Lord, your servant with your Holy Spirit”. The Confirmation service of our children will take place on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 10:00am. Please continue to uphold them in your prayers as they commit their life to follow Jesus Christ. Please plan to be part of this blessed service.

Ecumenical St Thomas Day – July 20, 2019

Ecumenical St Thomas Day will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at the St Francis Xavier Secondary School, 50 Bristol Rd W, Mississauga, L5R 3K3. The event will start at 6:00 pm.

CSI NA Family & Youth Conference

The 32nd CSI Family & Youth Conference in North America will be hosted from July 25th through July 28th of 2019 at the Hyatt Regency Houston Intercontinental Airport, led primarily by our Moderator, Most Rev. Thomas K. Oommen. This year’s honored guest speaker will be The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Perumbalath, Bishop of Bradwell, Church of England. The theme for the conference is “Desert Blossom”

Cottage Prayer

Jordan area prayer will be at the residence of Shaji and Daisy Moothedom on Saturday, July 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Please plan to attend.

Upcoming Events

Vacation Bible School (VBS)	August 01 - 03, 2019
Half Yearly GB	August 04, 2019
Church Annual Picnic	August 10, 2019
Choir & Family Get-together	August 17, 2019
At the Feet of Jesus	August 30, 2019

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