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**2021 Motto**

**“Prepare to meet your God”**

**“നിന്റെ ദൈവത്തെ എതിരേല്പാൻ ഒരുങ്ങിക്കൊൾക”**

**Amos 4:12b**

**Youth Praise Night**  
**June 19, 6:00 pm**

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## **Editorial**

### *Waiting for blessings....*

Have you ever waited for someone or something? How long have you waited? Many grow impatient and get tired of waiting. Not every waiting is the same; and waiting for the same person or thing can be a different experience for different people. People might wait for many things like: a salary hike, a better job, a new house, children, fulfillments etc. We usually pass through this many times in our lives.

*Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD! (Psalms 27:14)*

The desires of our hearts determine the purpose of wait. It happens because we're not seers, who can see the future. Sometimes we wait endlessly like Vladimir and Estragon, who wait for Godot in Samuel Beckett's tragicomedy, *Waiting for Godot*. This Godot, who continually sends word that he'll appear, never does. But we have an awesome God who says that He'll never leave us nor forsake us. When waiting is the result of hope that we have in our Lord, it becomes meaningful. *"For surely, I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope."* (Jeremiah 29:11) As we can completely rely on this Word, our waiting will never go in vain. The ratified desires will certainly be accomplished in His own time. Let's wait on the Lord. He shall resolve every problem in His own time.

Samuel Anselm Samuel  
Editor

## Achen's Message



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

It is wise to make Jesus as our ultimate goal. If Jesus is your Lord or the ultimate goal of your life, He is able to trample under foot those who seek evil upon you. In Mark 2, we find that the four friends on hearing Jesus has come to Capernaum, immediately carried their friend or the paralyzed man to Jesus.

The house in which Jesus was preaching was packed with people. This is true in our lives too. If people know that Jesus is within you, many people will come to you for help and wherein you have an opportunity to help others too.

Examine ourselves - is Jesus in us? God will work with us if we are willing to help others. We need to help each other spiritually and physically. May God help us to strengthen, and strengthen one another through prayer and support. Do we have such a mindset in the midst of this crisis? God can only work through us if we are willing. May God help you with that.

The Men's Fellowship Retreat was very well conducted. Rev. Joseph Samuel (PhD student in UTC Bangalore) lead the retreat. Hans Thomas, director of the Men's Fellowship, made all the arrangements. The PR team worked hard. We would also like to thank all the participants who worked behind the scenes.

The annual convention of our church was well conducted. Bishop of Central Kerala Diocese, Rt. Rev. Dr. Malayil Sabu Koshy Cherian and Rev. Samji K sam, the vicar of CSI Church Mundiappally were our chief guests. The convention was held in conjunction with our thirty-fifth anniversary. CSI Church, Toronto intends to do 35 good deeds in connection with the thirty-fifth anniversary. You should all think about this matter very seriously and pray.

Our young people are thinking about Praise and Worship next month. Rev Viji Varghese Eapen, CSI Church Dublin & Belfast UK will lead the meeting. Everyone should pray for this meeting.

Many members of our church have gone through the great crisis of covid19. Relatives of many of us had to go through this situation. So we should pray and strengthen each other.

May God bless you all.

Rev Anish M George Padickamannil

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**BIRTHDAYS**

01	Leonard Fredrick	19	Alex Oommen
01	Jefin Abraham Mathews	19	Akshay Koshy
02	Oommen Cherian	19	Sheeba R. Thomas
05	Sarah Titus	19	Serah Ann Littin
06	Neethuraj Taji	20	Gabriel Abraham Jijo
07	Tinu John Kulangara	21	Tianna Lelia
08	Abraham G. Joy	21	Noah Jacob
11	Norah Kurien	21	Liji Varghese John
11	Mary Joseph	21	Sandeep Mathew Varghese
15	Ajin Annie Varguise	21	Aryah Ann Littin
15	Rejini Gajraj	27	Christopher Gajraj
15	Eva Mariam George	28	Shawn Cherian
17	Smitha Rency	29	Mithul Nimmy Manuel

**ANNIVERSARIES**

06	Austin Christopher Peter & Judie Austin
07	Joseph P. Mathews & Sonia Mathews
10	Santhosh Zac Koshy & Suja Sara Koshy
21	Christopher Gajraj & Rejini Gajraj
28	Mathew George & Susan Mathew

<b>June 06</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	<b>Wisdom from Above - Students Sunday</b>		
	Old Testament	I Kings 3:16-28	<b>English Service</b>
	Psalm	119: 33-40	Read by
	Epistle	James 1:1-8	Vinod Maliyekal & Family
	Gospel	Luke.10:21-24	
<b>June 13</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	<b>Creation Proclaims the Glory of God</b>		
	Old Testament	Proverbs 8:22-31	<b>Malayalam Service</b>
	Psalm	19	Read by
	Epistle	Revelation 21:1-8	George Mathew & Family
	Gospel	Luke.8:22-25	
<b>June 20</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	<b>Worship the Lord in Truth and Spirit</b>		
	Old Testament	Isaiah 6:1-8	<b>English Service</b>
	Psalm	139	Read by
	Epistle	2 Thessalonians 2:13- 17	Paul Daniel Frederic & Family
	Gospel	John 4: 15- 26	
<b>June 27</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	<b>Cost of Discipleship</b>		
	Old Testament	Daniel 6:11- 23	<b>Malayalam Service</b>
	Psalm	34	Read by
	Epistle	2 Corinthians 6: 1- 10	Sandeep Mathew Varghese & Family
	Gospel	Mark 10: 35- 45	





**Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship**

The Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship will take place on every Tuesday from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon in the Church Sanctuary. Please join the fellowship through **Virtual Worship**

**Bible Study – “The Coming of Jesus Christ”**

The Bible study will take place on every Wednesday from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The Bible Study provides an in-depth learning on the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. It also provides an opportunity for members to connect with and understand each other while continuing to build personal relationship with God. Anish Achen will be leading the Bible studies. Please plan to attend the Bible study through **Virtual fellowship**.



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**Message from one of our members, Chris George - Help for COVID-19 Vaccine Booking**

The rising number of COVID cases and the current third wave have emphasized the need for everyone to get vaccinated as soon as possible. Countries with higher vaccination rates than Canada have been able to start opening up and returning to some normalcy, while Ontario has just moved into lockdown for another month. If any church members have any questions about the available COVID-19 vaccines or would like help with booking their vaccination, please do not hesitate to contact me at 6479398424. If you need detailed medical advice, please first talk to your family doctor. Aside from this, I can help to the best of my ability.

**Board Meeting**

The board has decided to meet online on every second Sunday of the month at 8:00 pm during the restriction period of COVID-19.

**Youth Activities**

June 19, 2021	6:00 PM	Praise Night	Speaker: Rev. Viji Varghese Eapen
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**Cottage Prayer**

**Shalom** area prayer will be held on **Saturday**, June 05, 2021 at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Jinoj Titus & Rajitha Jinoj. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

**Jordan** area prayer will be held on **Saturday**, June 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Aron Frederick & Mini Frederick. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

**Gilead** area prayer will be held on **Saturday**, June 19, 2021 at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Abhilash Raj and Smitha Abhilash. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

If you wish to be included in the parish e-mail list to receive special notices, please send an e-mail to the Secretary at [secretary@csichurchtoronto.org](mailto:secretary@csichurchtoronto.org)

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