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2021 Motto

“Prepare to meet your God”

“നിന്റെ ദൈവത്തെ എതിരേല്പാൻ ഒരുങ്ങിക്കൊൾക”

Amos 4:12b

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Editorial

Are you a Christian?

Have you ever taken pride in the fact that you are a Christian? How has being a Christian changed your outlook? Some people are ashamed of calling themselves Christians while others are boastful of their great lineage. Some get entangled in the bureaucracy as well. *“Those who have never been told of Him will see, and those who have never heard will understand”* (Romans 15:21) – talks about people from the wild olive shoot who have been grafted into the cultivated olive tree.

Salvation is the embodiment of God’s love for mankind. Even when we did not deserve it, the mercy of the Lord extended its hands to the people who were not His people. *“Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”* (1 Peter 2:10) The transformation from an alien to a royal priesthood was not a fluke, but it was the result of the ultimate sacrifice on the cross of calvary. If a person who belongs to Canada is a Canadian, and the one who belongs to India is an Indian, then a person who belongs to Christ is a Christian. But there is a difference. Someone who claims to be some “-ian”, may be able to fool others with the outward expressions, whereas if you are a Christian, you can’t fool God because He searches your heart. *“I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds.”* (Jeremiah 17:10). It requires all those who call themselves Christians to leave aside every guile and to focus on doing His will. Let’s raise ourselves to that position where others can see Christ through us.

Samuel Anselm Samuel
Editor

Achen's Message



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

1 Kings 3:28. Divine wisdom must come from God Himself. Hence it is called Wisdom from on high. To understand the definition of the word wisdom, one must simply read Solomon's question to God (3:9). Recognize the good and the bad and give the people a wise heart to judge. God gave him enough wisdom. The word Solomon means one who makes peace. God wants to give the world real peace in God. Our children are entering a new school year. We must be able to bring peace to the world through the knowledge we gain. Teach them to work with God. May God help our generations to be a blessing to others. Greetings to all children, teachers and non-teaching staff.

Our church reopened. But the participation is very less. So please attend the service regularly. Those who attend the worship service, must register in advance.

Worship services held on August 22nd were very heart touching. Because for the first time God allowed so many people worship together after a long time. There was a barbecue arranged after both services. Social and recreational team was working behind that. I would like to appreciate Mr Jacob John and team.

Our choir is preparing for the Choir Sunday celebrations. As you know, we have a famous choir in North America. Please pray for our choir members.

60th birthday celebration of CSI Madhya Kerala Bishop, Rt. Rev Dr Malayil Sabu Koshy Cherian was held at Kottayam. Some of us participated it online. On behalf of CSI church Toronto, I wish Bishop all the best.

Please pray for our church activities.

May God bless you all.

Rev Anish M George Padickamannil

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Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship

The Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship will resume on September 9, 2021 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon and there after on every Thursday at the same time in the Church Sanctuary. Please join the fellowship through Virtual Worship

Bible Study – “The Coming of Jesus Christ”



The Bible study will resume on September 9, 2021 from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm and there after on every Thursday at the same time. 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 Zoom .

On-line Giving (Interac e-Transfer) - donate@csichurchtoronto.org

Please make ALL your contributions (offertory, missions, membership, donations etc.) to CSI Church Toronto using donate@csichurchtoronto.org.

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

The rising number of COVID cases have emphasized the need for everyone to get vaccinated as soon as possible. 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.

Choir Sunday - September 5, 2021

Sunday, September 5, 2021 will be observed as Choir Sunday

MF Fishing Trip – September 18, 2021



Men’s fellowship’s annual fishing trip will take place at Rice Lake, Ontario on September 18, 2021. A day of fellowship, fishing, food, games and Fun.

For more information, please contact Hans Thomas, Men’s Fellowship Director.

Mission Sunday - September 19, 2021

Sunday, September 19, 2021 will be observed as Mission Sunday

Board Meeting

The next online board meeting will be on Wednesday, September 08, 2021 at 8:30 pm.

Cottage Prayer

Shalom area prayer will be held on **Saturday**, September 4, 2021 at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Mathew George & Susan Mathew. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

Gilead area prayer will be held on **Friday**, September 10, 2021 at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Vinod George Maliyekal & Binssy Mathew. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

Jordan area prayer will be held on **Saturday**, September 11, 2021 at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Joseph P & Sonia Mathew, David & Jessy Thomas and Santhosh & Jenny Cherian. 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

September 05 Choir Sunday	Music from Worship: Affirmation of Witness		
	Old Testament	Isaiah 6: 1-8	English Service
	Psalm	116: 5-17	Read by
	Epistle	Revelation 7:9-16	Choir
	Gospel	Luke 1:68-80	
September 12 16 th Sunday after Pentecost	Jesus the Guru		
	Old Testament	Proverbs 4:1-19	Malayalam Service
	Psalm	141	Read by
	Epistle	Acts 22:1-5	Sandeep Cheruvil Ninan & Family
	Gospel	Luke.4:31-37	
September 19 Mission Sunday	Mission: Sharing God's Pain		
	Old Testament	Isaiah 52:1-7	English Service
	Psalm	40:1-13	Read by
	Epistle	Acts 9:10-18	Mission
	Gospel	Luke. 10:1-11	
September 26 Senior Citizens' Sunday	The Wisdom of the Elderly		
	Old Testament	Genesis 24:1-14	Malayalam Service
	Psalm	92	Read by
	Epistle	2 Timothy 1:3-14	Seniors
	Gospel	Luke.1:5-7	



BIRTHDAYS

01	Jacob M. John	14	Rachel Cherian
01	Levia Grace	15	Venerable K. Sam Thomas
01	Bijoy Bhutia	19	Rohit Mathew Oommen
01	Anu Roshan Thomas	19	Thejus John
02	Sarah M. John	20	Reji Kumar. P.B
05	Jezlyn George	20	Akshay Alex Cherian
07	Elizabeth Verghis	21	David Meshach
07	Ancy Jacob	21	Mathew Chacko
07	Felix Abraham Varghese	22	Eva Bose
08	Priya Rachel Abraham	22	Alen Jacob Mathew
08	Toby Jacob	24	Annika Cherian
08	Jain Daniel	24	Sophy Aji Mathews
10	Jithin George	24	Noah Solomon Govada
11	Judie Austin	24	Kaitlyn Claire Austin
13	Raj Hariharan	27	Alen Paul
13	Varghese John	28	Elizabeth Mathai
13	John Mathew	28	Suja Sara Koshy
13	Shiny Paul	28	Smitha Baby Thomas
13	Sravan Kumar Onteru	30	Richu Koshy Thomas
14	Joanne Rachel Joe		



ANNIVERSARIES

- 02 Jubin Varghese George & Manasi George
- 03 Jinoj Titus & Rajitha Jinoj
- 07 Rev. Anish M Padickamannil & Jucy Varghese
- 10 Mathew Chacko & Meera Jacob
- 10 Selvarajan Thampy & Eva Bose
- 11 George Mathew & Siji Joseph
- 16 Rennie Philips Joseph & Preetha Philips
- 17 Leon Sundaresan & Neethuraj Taji
- 23 Jeevan Fenn Varughese & Sarah Titus
- 24 Mridul Mathew Kuruvilla & Mary
- 28 Aaron Fredrick & Mini Fredrick

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