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2022 Motto

“No More Silence..”

“മിണ്ടാതെയിരിക്കരുത്..”

Acts 18: 9

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Editorial

Boasting in the cross...

It is very difficult to find someone who doesn't boast. People generally boast about their achievements, traditions, culture, family, place of birth, citizenship, class, caste, sect, etc. But people may not brag about infirmities. However, boasting gives people a profound satisfaction and a pleasant feeling. It prolongs the inner desire in man to continue in this world. The concept of boasting itself is not harmless. But the reason for boasting is what counts.

St. Paul says, '*May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.*' (Galatians 6:14)

St. Paul had too many reasons to boast. He could boast of his lineage, scholarship, influence, power, citizenship, abilities etc. Yet he counted all of that as rubbish. For Paul, knowing Christ was above everything else. The encounter, knowledge and experience Paul had with Christ made him realize that Christ was priceless. Paul boasted in the cross, accepting the honour it gave. It once was a symbol of shame. But now it stands as a symbol of love, light, grace and mercy.

Pondering over achievements and bragging about them may help us to prosper. But eternity may not hold that for us. Boasting can ascend to the summit, gain control over us and transform us. But often we fail to remember Thomas Gray's lines: '*The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power, and all that beauty and all that wealth e'er gave, awaits like the inevitable hour:- the paths of glory lead but to the grave.*' If we can boast with Paul on the cross of our Lord Jesus, then the grave will open and give us up to be clothed in immortality.

Anyone who is prone to boasting about transient things, can pray for a revelation in their lives. We need to learn how to consider others better than ourselves. When everyone is enticed by the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, and he/ she's able to boast about it, our world will transcend itself to the blessedness of His kingdom on earth.

Samuel Anselm Samuel
Editor

Achen's Message



Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ

Hebrews 11:24 tells about our choice. We have to look at the life of Moses, he envisioned the salvation of the people while he was still a prince in Egypt. There Moses made a very big mistake. Such mistakes can happen in our lives too. So we need to study these scriptures properly. Salvation without God is a failure. Look at Moses. It was at the age of eighty that Moses was given a vision by God. Moses was in his forties when he tried to save the Hebrew people.

If God had called him that day, Moses would probably have been arrogant. Because Moses had all the qualifications. He was the prince of that country. According to the royal life in Egypt, languages, war tactics and fighting witchcraft were studied. If he had been called that day Moses would probably have said that God called me because of these qualifications. None of the skills he acquired in his forties are being applied at Midian. Just a shepherd. Everything is broken. There God calls Moses to save his people.

Is your life facing failures? Is your life messed up? Do you feel that your life is ruined? Then understand that God is also giving you the revelation for salvation through your broken life. We may have done things without God. Abandon it and focus entirely on God's revelation. Please ask ourselves; What is our choice?

Watch night service was excellent. Unfortunately it was online worship, but it was successful.

Malayala Lokam classes restarted. Our new administrator is Mrs Eva Bose. On behalf of the church, I congratulate her. Also I would like to express my sincere thanks to Mr John Cherian Mathew for his contributions.

Our Annual general body meeting will be held on 27th February 2022. Please pray for the meeting and attend without fail.

May God bless us all.

Rev Anish M George Padickamanni

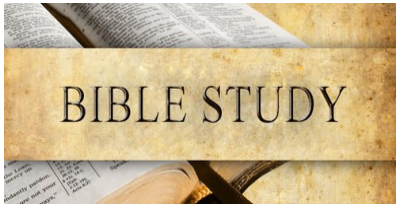
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Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship

The Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship will take place on every Thursday 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 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.

Board Meeting

The next online board meeting will be on Sunday, February 06, 2022, at 7:00 pm

Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) - February 27, 2022

Annual General Body meeting of the CSI Church, Toronto will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2022, immediately after the divine worship service.

Cottage Prayer

Shalom area prayer will be held on Saturday, February 05, 2022, at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Abraham P & Elzy George. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

Jordan area prayer will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2022, at 7:00 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Joy Chemmanoor & Mini George and Varghese (Shibu) & Liji John. Please join the **virtual fellowship**.

Gilead area prayer will be held on Saturday, February 19, 2022, at 7:30 pm. The prayer meeting is hosted by Jacob Cherian & Biby Esther Abraham. 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

February 06 5 th Sunday after Epiphany	Christ the Pattern for Life		
	Old Testament	Exodus 20:1-17	English Service
	Psalm	72:11-20	Read by
	Epistle	Hebrews 3:1-14	Alex Oommen & Family
	Gospel	Luke 10:25-37	
February 13 9 th Sunday before Easter	Healing in Sickness		
	Old Testament	Exodus 4:10-17	English Service
	Psalm	103:1-10	Read by
	Epistle	II Corinthians 12:1-10	Church Committee
	Gospel	John 9:1-7	
February 20 8 th Sunday before Easter	The Corruption of Creation		
	Old Testament	Isaiah 5:1-13	English Service
	Psalm	8	Read by
	Epistle	Galatians 1: 5-10	Abraham Varghese & Family
	Gospel	Luke 10:13-16	
February 27 7 th Sunday before Easter	Lent: A Time of Redemption		
	Old Testament	Isaiah 58: 1-14	Malayalam Service
	Psalm	6	Read by
	Epistle	Romans 2:1-13	Jiby Jacob & Family
	Gospel	John 5:1-9	



BIRTHDAYS

01	Aldrin Pramod	15	Rohit Thomas Koshy
02	Shaji Levison Moothedom	16	Thomas C. Joseph
02	Rex P. R	16	Binu Sajan
02	Shino Somasundar Abraham	18	Thomas Mathai
03	Santhosh Cherian	18	Rohan Raj
03	P.J. Skariah	19	Mariamamma Cherian
05	Suvin Oommen Alexander	19	Mariamamma Thomas
05	Samuel James	20	Rishvi Narayan
05	Anil Raj Daniel	20	Philip Z. Mathai
06	Pranoy Narayan	22	Ajeo Mathew C. Mathew
06	Nathan Rijo Cherian	23	Jiby Jacob
07	Sudeep Oommen	23	Savannah Thomas
08	Syama Prasad	23	Rejoys John
08	Jaden Thomas Geogy	24	Rinu John Mathew
09	Reuben David Johns	25	Jinu Mary Jacob
10	Ryan John Varghese	25	Joy Chemmanoor
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15	Rahul John Oommen		

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