

ECHO OF HIS CALL



India's National Spiritual Newspaper

English ₹ 10/-

Published monthly in 16 languages

Editor : S. SAM SELVA RAJ

16 Languages

Associate Editor: Bro. M. Paulraj

Vol. XXIX

YEAR OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, JUNE 2022

No. 6

THE HOLY BIBLE



Please memorize this portion

Proverbs 4:1-10

- 1 Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding.
2. For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.
3. For I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of my mother.
4. He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.
5. Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.
6. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee.
7. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
8. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.
9. She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.
10. Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life shall be many.

YOUR MOURNING WILL TURN INTO JOY! (Psalm 30:11)

(Message delivered by Pastor S. Sam Selva Raj at the Main Church)

During times of adversity, when we approach our friends or doctors to get counsel, they may comfort us by saying, "Don't worry, everything will be alright. All your problems will disappear as time goes on". Many children of God live in sorrow, pain and affliction. When our problems multiply, we lose hope. When we are not very clear about the leading of God in our lives, we worry much. For instance, all people of the world had suffered a lot due to the impact of Covid-19. Any sorrow, trouble, punishment of sickness is painful. When we contemplate upon the sorrowful events that has happened in our lives, we tend to think "Has this happened without the knowledge of the Lord? Has the Lord not taken note of my problems?" But we must remember that nothing happens in our lives without the knowledge of the Lord. As we pass through such painful experiences, God turns the sorrows and troubles into joy! So, your present sorrow will surely be turned into joy! Do not be afraid! "... but your sorrow will be turned into joy" (John 16:20).

We read in Matthew 5:4, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted". We think that blessed people are those

who enjoy all sorts of material comforts in this world. But the Lord says that those who mourn are blessed! Is it not strange? The Lord, who knows that those who mourn are blessed, also knows perfectly that mourning will be turned into joy! It is very much difficult for the people to agree with this.

A silent and depressed state of mind is the condition of someone who is in deep sorrow. Sorrows may arise due to unemployment, sickness, lack of money, problems at the work spot or problems in the family, worries about the future, etc. Whatever be our sorrow, the Lord says that all of us who pass through such difficult times are blessed and that we shall be comforted. Those difficult situations would turn into joyful ones, though Jesus Christ promised this long time ago, it is relevant even today. Henceforth be happy and rejoicingful. "Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time" (1 Peter 5:6).

As we look upon the Lord during our days of weakness and poverty, we begin to hear the Lord speaking to us. Those who lead lives without any sorrows do not

....Contd. to page 3



ECHO OF HIS CALL - (1969-2019 GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR)

from your dearly beloved brother...



**“He makes peace in your borders,
and fills you with the finest wheat”**

- (Psalm 147:14)



OUR MISSION POLICY

We should expound and teach the contemporary generation the undiluted teachings of the ancient and early Apostles. It is the need of the hour.

CHIEF EDITOR

Angeline Selvakumari Henry, M.A., M.Ed.

MANAGING EDITOR

Pastor Alex Samson Sam, B.Th., M.Div.

ADMINISTRATION

Bro. N. Prakasam, M.A., General Manager

EDITORIAL BOARD

Sis. Jesy Veena Sam

Bro. M. Paulraj, M.A., B.Ed.

Sis. Serena Bevin, M.A., M.Phil., B.Ed.

EDITOR, PUBLISHER & PRINTER

Pastor S. SAM SELVA RAJ

Echo of His Call Printers

10, Mohammed Abdullah 2nd Street,
Chepauk, Chennai- 600 005, India.

Phone : (+ 91- 44) 2852 8282, 2852 9293,
2854 7766

Cell : (+91) 98410 71852, 95661 31858

E.mail ID

sam@echoofhiscall.org

biblecor@yahoo.co.in

WEBSITES

www.echoofhiscall.org

www.stpaulsmatriculation.com

YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Echo of His Call

Dearly beloved in the Lord,

We greet you in the matchless name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! We offer our praises to our Lord God who had led us wonderfully till now.

ECHO OF HIS CALL MAGAZINES

❖ By the unspeakable mercies of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has been enabling us to print our monthly magazine, 'Echo of His Call' in 16 languages. God will bless abundantly everyone of you who prays and supports this ministry. People who speak various languages are touched by God's love because of these magazines.

NEHEMIAH RESIDENTIAL BIBLE COLLEGE (Hindi)

❖ We need some more students for our Residential Bible College (Hindi) for men. Classes will begin from 6th June, 2022. We provide education, food and accommodation free of cost to eligible students as Scholarship. Kindly spread this information either directly or through letters or WhatsApp to your friends and prayer partners. We offer One Year Certificate Course as well as Two Years Diploma Course. Our Nehemiah Bible College has been blessed with the status of **Registered Candidate for Membership by ATA (Asia Theological Association)**. This Organization is an Accrediting Agency for Bible Colleges, worldwide.

NEHEMIAH EVENING BIBLE COLLEGE (Tamil)

❖ Our Evening Bible College (Tamil) is also functioning very well. This College also will reopen on 6th June, 2022. We need more qualified students both **men and women**. We offer One Year Certificate Course as well as Two Years Diploma Course.

LIBRARY OF THE NEHEMIAH BIBLE COLLEGE

❖ By God's grace, we are uploading the books belonging to the Nehemiah Bible College Library, in computer little by little. We have around 7,000 books. We have enormous work and expenditure in order to computerize these books in the proper manner. This work seems to be beyond our capacity. We believe that our God will provide us with more funds for this work. **My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).**

GRADUATION SERVICE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022 OF THE NEHEMIAH BIBLE COLLEGES

❖ God willing, the Graduation Service for the academic year 2021-2022 of our Bible Colleges will be held at Balar Kalvi Nilayam, Vepery, Purasawalkam, Chennai – 7 at 5 p.m. on (Friday) 03.06.2022. We solicit your prayers. If you are in Chennai on that day, please participate.

Our Ministries: ❖ ECHO OF HIS CALL Monthly Magazines (16 languages) ❖ BIBLECOR - Postal Courses (3 languages)

❖ Online Courses ❖ Theological Correspondence Courses (2 languages) ❖ Church Planting ❖ Nehemiah Bible Colleges

❖ Gospel Printing Press ❖ Great Commission Partners ❖ St. Paul's Matriculation School ❖ Crusades ❖ Community Development

REACHING NORTH INDIA WITH THE GOOD NEWS

❖ It has been our heartfelt desire and mission for a long time, to help the people who live in North India, who speak different languages, by giving the gospel to them. In order to bring many students to our Nehemiah Hindi Bible College, I have visited places like Rayagada, Paralakhemundi and Kandamal in the State of Odisha. Though it was difficult for me, I visited with great vision. We have just one life. Let us give that life to Jesus our Lord God.

ST. PAUL'S MATRICULATION SCHOOL

❖ St. Paul's Matriculation School is functioning very well. The mini bus, which was used to transport the children from their homes to the School and to take them back home, needs to be repaired. It is not under usable condition now. We need to buy a new vehicle. Please pray for the needed money to buy a new one. If it is God's will, this School will be re-opened on Monday, 13th June. By God's grace, this School has obtained the recognition by the Government of Tamil Nadu to function as a High School. The Government of India also has given the status to this School as a Christian Minority Institution.

❖ Please also remember in your prayers our very important ministries such as **Postal Bible Courses, Gospel Press, Churches, Outreach meetings and Social services.**

❖ My family and I are keeping in good health. Please remember our co-workers Bro. Manuel M. Paulraj, Pastor M. Muthu and Bro. Ilangovan who are sick in your prayers.

❖ God will bless you more and more as you love the ministries of **Echo of His Call** and are supporting financially. We pray for you sincerely. If the Holy Spirit speaks to you that all these ministries are done only with the intention of expanding the kingdom of God, kindly send your offerings and support our ministry. God will surely bless you.

❖ We have a number of testimonies of how the Lord delivered us from many sufferings and problems which cannot be explained openly. So, continue to pray for us. May the grace of God be with you.

Your servants in Christ Jesus,

Pr. S. Sam Selva Raj & Alex Samson Sam.

(+91) 98412 71858 / 98410 71858

E.mail : samselvaraj333@gmail.com

....Contd. from page 1

hear the voice of the Lord. It is when we feel discouraged and experience sorrows that we can hear the Lord's voice and sense His touch. Whereas, it is very rare to hear the Lord's voice at the period of our favourable situation. That is why the Lord says, "Blessed are those who mourn".

The Apostle Paul experienced something painful and he prayed to God to remove that from his body. But God said, "**My grace is sufficient for you: for My strength is made perfect in weakness**" (2 Corinthians 12:9). Paul could have led a happy and contented life. But he didn't want such a life that didn't sense the touch of the Lord or hear His voice. He preferred a life of sorrow that could lead him to hear the voice of the Lord and he considered such a life, joyful and glorious one.. He says, "**if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead**" (Philippians 3:11). About the Moses the Scriptures says, "**By faith Moses, when he**

became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward" (Hebrews 11:24-26).

When we are in deep trouble, we wish to wriggle out of it. But on such occasions, instead of depending on our own strength, if we lean on God alone, we can surely feel the Lord's touch. If we could handle them with care and patience, we would surely become gifted with enormous changes and blessings. David, the Psalmist went into the presence of the Lord in the Church and pleaded before Him, whenever he was surrounded by evils. It was the Lord's presence in the Church that he always sought for and kept a standstill whenever he committed mistakes or found himself in deep troubles. The Lord delivered him from all

problems. The Lord blessed him, comforted him and turned all his sorrows into joy. Dear child of God, are you walking in the path of adversity? Don't look for ways outside God, to come out of your problems. Do not follow any such means. The consequence of following worldly ways will lead you to great dangers, troubles and failures. Please consider this as the voice of the Holy Spirit that tells you if you could have trust and faith on the Lord than all your family, financial condition, title, identity and very significantly your ministry, surely He would fulfill your desires. So listen carefully. The choicest place for this purpose is your Church only. Please honour your Church and the Pastor. Widely the wholesome blessings and wholesome happiness are twined within your Church. "**not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching**" (Hebrew 10:25).

1. THE SOUL MELTS FROM + HEAVINESS! +

“My soul melts from heaviness; strengthen me according to Your word” (Psalm 119:28).

No person could forever increase or decrease his height because of his depression. As such, in practical we could not avoid worrying at the times of sufferings.

David faced numerous problems – first through his father-in-law, King Saul, then through his son, Absalom and many a time through the people and kings of other countries. But because he leaned on his God who had called Him, God turned all his afflictions and troubles into great joy!

Many of us also have to walk through such difficult times. Some are heart-broken and attempt to commit suicide. If we turn to mere men to get advice, they may deceive us. Some may mislead us. In the midst of worries and shedding of tears, if we could wholly rely on and keep faith on the Lord, He would definitely and unconditionally lead us to come out from sufferings and surprisingly keep us comforted. “**For You have been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shade from the heat; for the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall**” (Isaiah 25:4).

When troubles multiply, we should spend more time in reading the Bible louder. We should believe and expect a wonderful deliverance from God. Just like He delivered His children who also underwent sufferings resembling ours! Surely God will do greater things than what you expect in your life. I who preach this message depended only on God and by reading His sayings loudly and meditating on them in full faith wholly depending on the Lord, during my various hardships. I have marked some verses in my Bible, the dates on which I heard the voice of God and obtained unbelievable great victories! If you also do the same, victory is sure!

+2. EYES WASTE AWAY!+

“My eye wastes away because of affliction. Lord, I have called daily upon you; I have stretched out my hands to You” (Psalm 88:9).

The Psalmist says that out of afflictions his eyes waste away. If one is very sad, one can feel a change in his sight. Sadness makes one faint, reduces the thinking capacity, causes sleeplessness, the less memory and makes one lose all hope about the future. The help we get from others also is reduced. What can we do to come out of this? Without giving place to discouragements, we can do two things:

1) We can tell God in prayer about our real position. “**I have declared my ways, and You answered me; Teach me Your statutes**” (Psalm 119:26). Taking time with God and talking to Him will bring great victories. But these days, people spend more time in their own matters and things, giving preference in worldly benefits, in entertainment and in television shows without talking to God in prayer.

Today's Christian television preachers have changed many spiritual Christians, lazy and static. They have made many prayerful Christians, not prayerful, many Bible-reading Christians, unwilling to read the Bible. This has become a customary habituation. But you can watch Christian programmes for a while, after shutting it down, engross in prayer, Bible reading and meditation. You can be sure of victory. You will surely meet with failures if you spend all your time watching the TV programmes right from five in the morning for such long hours! Because, due to the immoral doctrines and informations on these programmes lot of innocent people are getting cheated and misled into whirlpool of confusions. Each and every preacher of wrong deliverances keep it prime of their own desires instead of the spirit of salvation. This too is an evidence of contemporary disaster. Hope you would surely put forward your faith to rescue the livelihood.

2) You must stretch your hands before God! This means that your attention and trust are only upon

...Contd. to page 6

NEHEMIAH BIBLE

RESIDENTIAL / EVENING COLLEGE,

Velachery / Chepauk & Santhoshapuram, Chennai.



Medium : Hindi / Tamil

Registered Candidate for Membership
Asia Theological Association (ATA)

Recognised by International Christian Leaders &
Senior Pastors for the past 53 years



Certificate in Theology : One year
Diploma in Theology : Two years

Qualification : 10th Standard & above
Rush for admission!

Contact : The Chairman, Nehemiah Bible College.

10, MOHAMMED ABDULLAH 2ND STREET, CHEPAUK, CHENNAI - 600 005, INDIA.
Phone : (+91-44) 2852 8282, Cell : (+91) 98410 71852 / 95661 31858
E.mail : sam@echoofhiscall.org / Website : www.echoofhiscall.org

★ ONLINE CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE ★



GREAT COMMISSION PARTNERS

TO SHARE (Galatians 6:2)

SUPPORT (Romans 12:13)

SPEED UP (II Timothy 1:6)

PRAISE & PRAYER POINTS - From 2022 June 19 To July 18

(Please take this sheet out, fold it and keep it in your Bible and pray continuously)



✝ POINTS FOR PRAISE

- June 19** ⇒ Our Lord blessed our **Nehemiah Bible College Graduation Ceremony** which was held on the 3rd June 2022 in a wonderful way.
- June 20** ⇒ Our Lord blessed the travel of Senior Pastor S. Sam Selva Raj and the leaders of **Nehemiah Bible College** for the procurement of students for Residential Bible College to Odisha State.
- June 21** ⇒ Let us praise God for our supporters for their prayers and support.
- June 22** ⇒ God blessed all the activities of our **Echo of His Call Ministries** in the last month.
- June 23** ⇒ God graciously helped us to enter into unreached areas in North India with the Gospel.
- June 24** ⇒ Lord be praised towards His abundant mercies on our **Hindi Online Theological Course**.
- June 25** ⇒ God blessed our Main & Branch Churches with new believers.
- June 26** ⇒ Let us praise God for all our Associate Editors and their family members.
- June 27** ⇒ We receive good reports from our mission fields.
- June 28** ⇒ Praise the Lord for making our efforts become fruitful on running the organization so far.
- June 29** ⇒ Praise the Lord for His graceful mercies on our Sunday services and other worships.
- June 30** ⇒ God blessed our Women's Meeting in our Main Church.
- July 01** ⇒ Thank God for His blessings on our commitment to Magazine Ministry since 1969.
- July 02** ⇒ God blessed our Men's Meeting in our Main Church.
- July 03** ⇒ God blesses our publications in 16 languages which are printed in our Printing Press and sent to mission fields.

✝ POINTS FOR PRAYER

- July 04** ⇒ Let us continue to pray for our English Associate Editor, Bro. Manuel Paulraj for his complete healing.
- July 05** ⇒ God to bring more dedicated workers to our **Echo of His Call Ministries**.
- July 06** ⇒ God should give new strength to our Co-ordinators and Pastors.
- July 07** ⇒ Let us pray for all Spiritual Leaders of the World.
- July 08** ⇒ Pray to God for His blessings upon the people of all countries of the world.
- July 09** ⇒ Pray towards the Almighty for His magnanimous allowing and leading over our Senior Pastor's writing of his Autobiography.
- July 10** ⇒ Let us pray for our Prayer Partners, Subscribing Partners, Faith Partners, Life Partners and Great Commission Partners and their family members.
- July 11** ⇒ God to provide necessary funds for **Echo of His Call Ministries** in this month.
- July 12** ⇒ Let us pray for the workers of our mission field.
- July 13** ⇒ Pray for Lord's kind consent toward our Ministerial Meetings and all organizational activities.
- July 14** ⇒ Pray for the financial needs of our ministries.
- July 15** ⇒ Let us pray for the eradication of Corona Virus from all countries of the world.
- July 16** ⇒ Pray for the eradication of the violences against women and children.
- July 17** ⇒ Let us pray for all Christian Organizations.
- July 18** ⇒ God should continue to protect our Senior Pastor S. Sam Selva Raj and his family members from all sort of evil forces.

....Contd. from page 4

God. All your thoughts and actions must please God. There is no use in raising long prayers and observing many days of fasting, if you keep troubling and cheating others. The prayers of the one who doesn't listen to the word of God is an abomination. **"One who turns away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer shall be an abomination"** (Proverbs 28:9). **"The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, But the prayer of the upright is His delight. The way of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, but He loves him that follows after righteousness"**

(Proverbs 15:8,9).

Today, where is your attention? From whom do you expect help? Which way do you search?

+ 3. THE SPIRIT IS BROKEN +

"A merry heart makes a cheerful countenance, But by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken" (Proverbs 15:13). **"A merry heart does good, like a medicine, but a broken spirit dries the bones"** (Proverbs 17:22).

Any object that is made of iron, brass or aluminium can be glued together if it is broken. But if the spirit hidden in our heart is broken, no expert doctor or psychiatrist can mend it. The failures we face in this world, economic confusion, sickness and family problems are the causes of our broken hearts. There is only one way to overcome these set backs and that is by going to the Lord. **"I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the LORD""** (Psalm 122:1).

It is very important to go along with people who truly praise and worship the Lord. You have to be filled with the Holy Spirit and worship the Lord clapping your hands, lifting up your hands above head, keeping in kneeling position as well, joyfully in a Church where the Lord is being worshipped in spirit and truth. Then you will be

filled with joy and happiness; your sickness will disappear, all the witchcraft done against you will become powerless and you be permanently delivered from all bondages.

We experience this kind of worship in our **Echo of His Call Multilingual Church**. What a great joy! How happy we are! What peace we enjoy! Dear Pastors, lead your Church members in this kind of worship and help them to get released from their bondage. Dear readers, give importance to your Church. Then, you will be blessed by the fullness of your Church. **"Rejoice in the LORD always. Again I will say, rejoice!"** (Philippians 4:4). Only the Church! The Church only!! Church is a place where the Lord gives hope to the hopeless and happiness to the unhappy. Worship the Lord in your Church every Sunday and in other meetings. **"Those who are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God"** (Psalm 92:13).

+ 4. IT CAUSES DEPRESSION +

"Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression. But a good word makes it glad" (Proverbs 12:25).

Depression actually causes the shrinking of the heart; it prevents the heart from functioning normally. When people are depressed they cannot think freely. The changes that happen in our mind due to some problems, lead us to take extreme decision. Some walk out of their houses and search for a place where they can get some peace. Some try many ways to solve their problems and when they fail, they go for extreme steps. To say it like a secret, any person who lead the life in the ways of Jesus Christ would never think of committing suicide. This is a real thing! Amazing one!! Here stands solid the way of Christianity above all other religious concepts!

Though David met with numerous problems, he had a

strong faith in the Lord. **"... David was greatly distressed, David strengthened himself in the LORD his God"** (1 Samuel 30:6).

+ 5. DAILY EXPERIENCES OF DAVID! +

"Be merciful to me, O God, for man would swallow me up; fighting all day he oppresses me" (Psalm 56:1).

Afflictions and troubles come in 3 different ways:

- 1) Due to our thoughts
- 2) Due to the wrong decisions we take in our lives
- 3) Due to the influences of evil spirit. Jealous and irritation of the people activated.

FEAR OF PEOPLE

Sometimes we lose confidence in ourselves and because of this state of mind we end up with a very dangerous disposition. Under such a situation David says, "Man would swallow me up". Fear and doubts will make any powerful man useless. No change of opinion on this.

As David was surrounded by enemies, he had the fear of attack by others and by the threat of impending war always. Moreover he was heavily declined to fearful spirit being endangered by the kith and kin themselves.

"fear came upon me, and trembling, which made all my bones shake. Then a spirit passed before my face; the hair on my body stood up" (Job:4: 14, 15).

There is the fear, which the scripture forbids vehemently. Let it be no wonder that it is such grave that the Bible puts first those who fear in the list of people who would have their part in the lake of fire. **"But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death"** (Revelation 21:8). If left unattended to, it can rampage our eternity. Only with the help of

the double-edged sword of the word of God can we expose this fear and eradicate it from our lives.

First of all, we need to identify fear rightly. It is a spirit of darkness. **“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind”** (2 Timothy 1:7). Its origin is hell and it has nothing whatsoever to do with God. In fact, its very presence keep a man away from God. Some people consider fear as an attitude, a inherited nature or a common place habit. There could be no serious folly spiritually as taking fear lightly. It can actually bulge an atom into an atom bomb and bring catastrophe upon your life. It is from the devil. Therefore resist it. To tolerate fear today is like growing a lion-cub. It will maul and victimize you someday. Get ready to obliterate that evil spirit from your life today!

Having know what God's word tells about the spirit of fear, take an aggressive stand against it right now and cast it away. The deadliest weapon in the hands of a believer against the enemy is the Blood of Jesus. Every time you use it, the enemy is stalled frozen in his tracks. Let the devil tremble. Even a very simple aspect of our livelihood should not be let uncovered by the Blood of Jesus. Being so only the evil spirit would become nullified.

“For the thing I greatly feared has come upon me, and what I dreaded has happened to me” (Job 3:25).

The time when the devil feels weakest is when he is exposed because there is never once he shown his real picture till he will get to hell. To throw, the evil spirit out of our life, is, to get hold of the Blood of our only Redeemer Jesus Christ and our stable faith. He is an arch-deceiver moving around under the mask. Thank God for what the word says in 2 Corinthian 2:11: **“Lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices”**. When dealing with the devil, to encounter with the devil, we must certainly be aware of his treachery, that is very prominent.

DOOR KEEPER

The function of a doorkeeper is to go before his master and to open the door for him to come in. Fear is Satan's doorkeeper. Fear is so necessary for the devil if he ever has to be large on accomplishment. Of all the allies Satan has, fear is his closer. The devil offers all his plans first to the counsel of the spirit of fear before proceeding with them. Fear is an evil spirit, which goes before as the archenemy of God to till the soil for the devil to sow his seeds. Fear creates the atmosphere, presence, medium and environment for Satan activity. We find it true in Job's picture: ... which I greatly feared is come upon me, Just as faith brings the unseen blessings of God into the realm of the natural world, fear brings the unseen things of the demonic into the seen world. The devil used fear as a 'bridge' to transport all his evil and destruction into the life of a person.

One way the devil gets his way is by sowing thoughts. Always resist, reject and repel fearful thoughts. Do never accept them. Cast away this spirit of fear through your holiness filled life structure, in the name of Jesus. Be sure not to profess fear. Professing fear is promoting it.

TWISTED WORDS

“All day they twist my words; all their thoughts are against me for evil” (Psalm 56:5).

Difficulties arise in various ways for many of us. We may be blamed for something which we have not said at our work spot. David also had the experience of having his words twisted and being found guilty. This did not happen only on a day, but it was a daily occurrence.

Though such unexpected situations arise in our daily lives, we should never forget that our God who can change all these evil things into good, is always with us. We read in Psalms 34:19, **“Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of**

them all”. When we walk through difficult times, we should not think that it is the end of our lives. We must understand that an upright man faces many evils, but God will deliver him from every situation and make him live happily. But, are you a righteous person? Have your sins been forgiven by the Lord Jesus Christ? Are you leading a life without any sin, wholly adhering to honesty? All these are very important.

According to the prayer, **“Make us glad according to the days in which you have afflicted us, and the years in which we have seen evil”** (Psalm 90:15), God is powerful enough to compensate all that we have lost and bless us with long life and happiness. When you suffer of being righteous, your lifetime will increase. Fear not.

In the days of adversity, In the days of adversity

Surely I will hold faith on Jesus Christ, Surely I will hold faith on Jesus Christ.

In the days of fearfulness, In the days of fearfulness

Surely I will be affectionate on Jesus Christ, Surely I will be affectionate on Jesus Christ.

The words of faith and hopeful pronouncing from your mouth will surely bring forth joyfulness and reliability in your heart.

Usually when we are burdened with great troubles, the words we speak are not good words. Eventhough we may be well-experienced Christians, we sometimes say the following words:

1. The Lord has not heard my prayers (Job 30:20)
2. The Lord doesn't have any regard for me (Job 30:20)
3. The Lord is cruel to me (Job 30:21)
4. The Lord treats me like an enemy (Job 30:21)
5. The Lord lifted me high and has let me down (Job 30:22)
6. Instead of good, I got evil (Job 30:26)

...Contd. to page 9



PIT TO PALACE

(Life experiences of Pastor S. Sam Selva Raj)

“Whoever reads, let him understand” (Matthew 24:15)



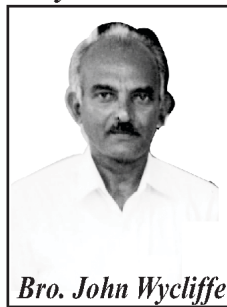
MY YOUTHFUL HEART BEAT AND BLOOD CIRCULATION WAS ONLY FOR MY JESUS, MY CREATOR!!



In the year 1967, Sis. Emiyammal Sanyasini Ammal who was an honourable Missionary Evangelist conducted Gospel Meetings for 3 days at the Memorial Hall, Neyyoor. I had my early education in that town. She was a very elderly woman. Some brothers from 'Nazareth Prayer Fellowship' like Bro. Michael Chelladurai, Bro. John Wycliffe, Bro. Joshua Gnanadurai and Bro. John Koilpitchai, came along with other servants of God and preached on Jesus Christ, sharing their testimonies. Sis. Emiyammal Sanyasini Ammal, used me to help and serve those preachers. I used to provide water for them, wash



Sis. Emiyammal Sanyasini Ammal



Bro. John Wycliffe



Dr. D. Ayyadurai



Dr. D. Simon

their clothes, clean their shoes, arrange food for them and was with them to do any work for them. They were staying in the upper storey of the **Anglo Indigenous Clinic** that belonged to **Dr. Ayyadurai** of Neyyoor. Dr. D. Ayyadurai was passionate in ministry and who supported the servants of God by donating financial support to them. His younger brother **Dr. D. Simon** who was running a Children's Hospital, by name **Sisu Vaidiya Ashramam** loved and encouraged me so much. Once

he looked at me and said, “You have something special



Bro. Joshua Gnanadurai, Bro. Michael Chelladurai, Mr. John Arputharaj

in you.” Thus he appreciated me. I was 18 at that time.

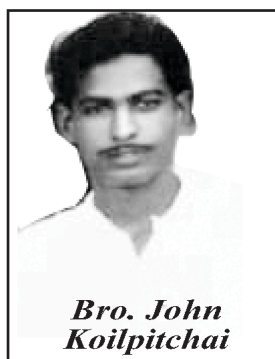
In those meetings, the young preachers of Nazareth Prayer Fellowship shared how they were saved by Jesus Christ and got deliverance from worldly sins and especially watching cinema and sin. They witnessed how they were saved from worldly enjoyments that caused evil influences in their youthful days. They explained about the happiness one can have by leading a holy life in the Lord Jesus Christ.

On the last day of those meetings, I realized my sinful life and accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as my Personal Saviour. I started to love holy living. I took an unconditional decision that I should lead a useful life and do something for God. This feeling pushed me towards serving God Jesus Christ. On that day, I repented of my sins, confessed them to God, and committed my life completely to the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. I received the blessing of salvation through the Living God Jesus Christ. “... **Be transformed by the renewing of your mind ...**” (Romans 12:2).

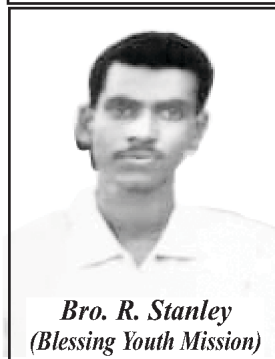
At the end of these meetings, God's servants of **Nazereth Prayer Fellowship** developed a deep love and concern for me and they invited me to go with them to their place. So I got the permission from my parents to go with them. They took me to Nazareth, a town in Tirunelveli District. The Missionary Evangelist, Sis. Emiyammal Sanyasini Ammal also with us.

Supreme Experience! Nazareth Prayer Fellowship!

It was a thatched shed. In that shed, people who were highly educated students from Margoschis School and College, teachers, lecturers and many other passionate men attended evening meetings everyday. Simple breakfast was served!!! Rice with 'sambar' (vegetable stew) and tasty 'rasam' (vegetable soup) was served for lunch. In the night also rice with very tasty 'rasam' was served. It was a wonderful experience for me. I could feel the Lord's presence in that thatched shed night and day. I was attracted by the habits and activities of the servants of God at that place. I heard that several men of great spiritual caliber and great leaders were raised from there. The desire to be like them grew with me day after day very strongly.



**Bro. John
Koilpitchai**



**Bro. R. Stanley
(Blessing Youth Mission)**

Experience at "THERI!" A Deserted Place!!

Every day between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., all members gathered in a place called 'Theri'. It was a deserted lonely place with red soil. They used to have personal prayers, Bible readings, group prayers sharing testimonies etc. They allowed me also to participate in those prayers and taught me the secret of a prayerful life and a life style led by the Holy Spirit.

I still remember some of them: Bro. Santha Kumar, Bro. Jacob Selvaraj, Bro. John Arputharaj, Bro. Packiaraj, Bro. Philip Jayasingh, Bro. Guna sekar, Bro. Kumaradhas (Thenkasi), Bro. Kumaradhas (Bangalore), Bro. Immanuel,

Bro. Kumar, Bro. Stanley, Bro. Daniel, Bro. Gideon, Bro. Samuel, Bro. Timothy, Bro. Manikkam, Bro. Caleb Paul Pandian, Bro. Joseph Gunasingh, Bro. Titus Maria Sundaram, Bro. Benny, Bro. Jothi Pandian, etc.

....Contd. from page 7

7. Instead of light, there came darkness (Job 30:26)
8. I experience problems that no one has experienced.
9. My life has ended with afflictions (Psalms 31:10)
10. My days have gone into poverty (Psalms 31:10).

Are you also in this kind of a situation? Do not be discouraged. The Lord will do wonders to you also. But there are some things that you have to do:

1. Do not speak words of unfaithfulness. Whereas speak only the words of faithfulness and hopefulness.

2. Avoid people who confuse you in regard with your faith. Whereas, have strong fellowship with people who inspire your faith. Have strong fellowship with people who inspire your faith, striving with your level best into Jesus Christ to lead a testimonial life.

After 15 days Sis. Emiyammal Sanyasini Ammal came to take me back to my place. The servants of God offered a prayer with tears.



Nazareth Prayer Fellowship - 1967

At that time, Bro. Micheal Chelladurai, Bro. John Wycliffe, Bro. Joshua Gnanadurai, Bro. John Koilpitchai and other senior brothers in God, laid their hands on me and prayed for me. During that prayer, one of them prophesied as follows:

"O! Son Sam Selva Raj! I have chosen you for Me. I am going to do great things through you. According to your name, I'll lift you up as a prophet and a man of power, just like the Samuel in the Bible. I will turn you into a father who would feed many people.



You will not be ashamed of being a servant of God and will be a bold leader for the Lord Jesus Christ. I will be with you and give you all that you desire. I will send you to many countries of the world and establish my kingdom through you. I will give you good health and perfected years." "Since you were precious in My sight, you have been honored, and I have loved you; therefore I will give men for you, and people for your life" (Isaiah 43:4).

Immediately after that, in 1969, God sent me to be a humble servant of God to a great man of God, Rev. S. Devadasan, Editor-in-Chief, India **Herald of His Coming**, a well renowned Christian magazine. God is good. (...to be continued in August 2022 issue)

RNI.No.55346/93, Postal Regn.No.TN/CH(C)/201/21-23 WPP.No.TN/PMG(CCR)/WPP-223/21-23

3. Though there is no chance of good happening, believe in the Lord and His power to perform miracles; with hopeful prayers lean on Him only. Surely miracles will happen.

“Your mourning will turn into joy!” (Psalm 30:11)

OUR BANK DETAILS:

1. Bank : State Bank of India

Branch : Triplicane, Chennai-5
Name : S. Sam Selva Raj
A/C No. : 1023 2934 679
IFSC : SBIN 00 00 249
SWIFT CODE : SBI NIN BB 455

2. Bank : ICICI Bank

Branch : Anna Salai, Chennai-6
Name : Echo of His Call
A/C No. : 6038 0502 2319
IFSC : ICIC 000 6038

3. Bank : State Bank of India

(This Account is for Tax Exemption for Indians only)

Branch : Triplicane, Chennai-5
Name : Echo of His Call Educational Trust
A/C No. : 1023 2923 805
IFSC : SBIN 00 00 249

Google Pay : 98410 71858
PayPal : SAM SELVA RAJ

E.mail : sam@echoofhiscall.org

ECHO OF HIS CALL

Monthly magazines in 16 languages, Bible Colleges, Postal Courses, Church Planting, Village English High School, Gospel Printing Press, Crusades, Seminars, Social Services, etc.

Annual Subscription : Rs. 100/-

Life Subscription : Rs. 2000/-

The multifarious activities of **Echo of His Call Ministries** are supported by the free-will offerings and donations of God's children like you. You may support **Echo of His Call** and its activities as the Lord leads you. We need your help to send forth the Gospel to the unreached people and plant Churches.

If you would like to receive **ECHO OF HIS CALL** magazines regularly, please write to us with your e.mail Id and Cell Phone number. Whenever you change your postal or e.mail addresses, please do inform us your old and new addresses.

Echo of His Call is available in 16 languages in our website also. You can read them by going into the site as well as downloading them and get blessed.

Your letters, prayer requests and your financial helps (**Money Orders, Cheques or Demand Drafts, NEFT, PayPal (Sam Selva Raj, sam@echoofhiscall.org) PhonePe (98410 71858), Gpay (98410 71858), Western Union, MoneyGram, etc.**) to **ECHO OF HIS CALL** may please be sent to the address below.

Please send your **Land Phone / Mobile Phone Numbers and E.mail addresses** for updation.

Our address :

ECHO OF HIS CALL

10, MOHAMMED ABDULLAH 2ND STREET, CHEPAUK, CHENNAI - 600 005, INDIA
PH.: (+91-44) 2852 8282, 2852 9293, 2854 7766/ Cell: (+91) 98410 71852, 95661 31858 / E.mails: sam@echoofhiscall.org / biblecor@yahoo.co.in
Websites: www.echoofhiscall.org / www.stpaulsmatriculation.com

YOU CAN SEND YOUR DONATION ONLINE ALSO

Regd. with the RNI under No. 55346/93
Licenced to post without pre-payment
Postal Regn. No. TN/CH (C) /201/21-23
Licence No. WPP. No. TN/PMG(CCR)/WPP-223/21-23
Date of Publication: First week of every month
Date of Posting : 1st & 2nd of every month
Posted at "Egmore RMS / 1 Patrika Channel"
on 2nd JUNE, 2022.

If un-delivered please return to:

ECHO OF HIS CALL (ENGLISH)

P.O. Box No. 2957, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005, INDIA.

Phone: (+ 91- 44) 2852 8282 / 2852 9293 / 95661 31858

JESUS LOVES YOU!

To

GOD BLESS YOU!