

**JULY 2021** 

## INTERACT

A monthly bulletin of the Indiranagar Methodist Church (For Private Circulation Only)

## A Call To Rebuild Our Broken Walls (Spiritual lessons from Nehemiah)



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## **Pastoral Team**

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Rev. Calvin Sushith Ambler, Associate Pastor 7829988555 Dear Church members,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

As we enter in the new month of July let us start over let us keep in mind that we need to begin with the new energy, with the new spirit, the old things have passed, old victories have passed, old achievements have passed, old memories have passed as the king Solomon says that there is a time for everything. Behold the Lord makes it all new!

In Isaiah 43:18-19, we see the promise that is mentioned in the text comes when the Israelites where in captivity, they had lost everything, all hope is gone, they thought their children and grandchildren will be slaves to foreign rulers forever, and they were feeling home sick, were desperate to return to their home land. In midst of all these the promise comes to them as a ray of hope explaining that our God is a promise keeping God, who is trust worthy and reliable in everything that He has said or says. The first step in seeing the new thing that God wants to do in our life is **to change our focus:** quit looking behind and start looking ahead. Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. If you are continually looking behind you cannot see where you are heading and where you will be. And God gives them a condition, if you want to be redeemed you cannot carry anything from the past not even your battles and failures.

The children of Israel had failed God miserably. Every time He blessed them with good things, they returned to Him evil things. E.g. when God gave them the Temple – they returned with idol worship. When God gave them truth- they lived and proclaimed a lie. When God gave them His commands they lived as if they were like some moral guidelines. When God gave them wealth-they used it to abuse the poor. When God gave them Himself-they gave Him nothing except rejection.

The children of Israel did not deserve to receive anything from God. Yet He still loved them and He earnestly wanted to help them change. Our God was not condemning them for their past, instead God was holding on to His patience and showing them His compassion and mercy and trying to give them the second chance and a glorious hope and asking them to change from old to new in everything whether it was their habit, faith, belief, practice etc.

The second step in seeing the new thing that God wants to do in our life is to expound our view God says; see, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. What do you see when you view your life? Do you see possibilities or problems: notice what God said: I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. In order to discover what God wants for you: you must first see yourself as God sees you. The children of Israel felt as though they were getting just what they deserved because of the way they had lived. Some even believed that God has abandoned us and He has nothing to do with us anymore. But they were wrong. In the same manner you may feel like your past had made your life a wasteland but in God, your life can become a stream of life. Rom. 8:1.

So my dear friends sometimes no matter how intelligent we may be God wants us to simply submit ourselves to His will completely without any doubt because Creator God knows our capabilities and He sees the best in us. So we don't need to bother any more how and when He will do it, we only need to believe Him and hope for His intervention and manifestations. As we meditate this month upon the theme "A call to rebuild our broken walls" let us prepare ourselves, let us plan, let us be strengthen from within so that we will be away from all the distractions.

Finally, if God says He will do something new today. It really means He will do something amazing, only you got to trust the process and I am sure He will lift us to a new level of freedom you have never known before. It shall not be delayed. However, a new thing can mean different things to different people. But whatever it is you need to hold onto God's word and promises and wait on Him, if not we will be doomed in the captivity. Just like during the days of Isaiah God once again has set into motion a new direction a new purpose for your life in this month; will you follow Him? Will you become that instrument?

We pray that God will rebuild the broken walls and establish the Kingdom of God on this earth.

Yours in Christ' service Rev Mohan Kumar

## Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours - Mark 11:24

### **Praise God**

- For His grace and strength that sustained us in the past month and all the things He has in store for us in this month.
- For protecting His people during this Covid-19 pandemic.
- For His work in and through the various activities of our church.
- For His blessings upon those who celebrated their birthdays and wedding anniversaries in June 2021.
- For His healing and restoring people in the church.
- For the ministry that God has enabled us to do in the church and in the city.
- For all the outreach programs and missionary work in and through our church.

## **Pray for**

- The ministries of Methodist Church in India.
- Spiritual revival in all the churches in Bangalore & Karnataka.
- The various activities & Pulpit ministry in July 2021.
- Our Hon'ble Bishop N.L. Karkare and Madam Kamal Karkare, Rev. Sebastian Ravi Kumar, District Superintendent-Bangalore, MCI; and all the Pastors and leaders.
- The ministry and families of our IMC Pastors Rev. Paul K. Royappa, Rev. Mohan Kumar and Rev. Calvin Sushith Ambler.
- Our Pastorate Committee members and organizations: WSCS, MMF, MYF, Sunday School, and Senior Citizens fellowship.
- Our Choir and Praise and Worship Team.
- Missionaries and missionary organizations in our country.
- Those who are poor and in need.
- Our children and young people that they will grow in the Lord.
- God's protection and healing upon those individuals and families of our church affected by Covid-19.
- The grieving families, who lost their loved ones.
- Those who have suffered financial and job losses during this pandemic season that God would restore and satisfy them.

## **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OUR GRATITUDE:** Our heartfelt thanks to Rev. Dr. Surendra Samuel who preached the Word of God to us in the month of June 2021 and built us in the Lord. Congregation is requested to pray for the pulpit ministry of IMC.

**PASTORATE COMMITEE:** PC meeting will be held Online via Zoom on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (MYF)** meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday on Zoom from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Age group: 18 yrs or above to below 25 yrs are welcome to attend this fellowship. For details contact Rev. Mohan Kumar.

**MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY** will be held every Wednesday at 7:00 pm through online. Those interested to join can, please contact Rev. Calvin Sushith Ambler for online details.

**GIVING:** We express our sincere thanks to all of you for your financial support towards the ministry of our Church through Tithes and contributions.

## **ONLINE TRANSFER**

**NAME OF ACCOUNT**: Indiranagar Methodist Church

**ACCOUNT NUMBER** : 0399053000014868

**TYPE OF ACCOUNT**: Savings

NAME OF BANK : South Indian Bank

**BRANCH** : Indiranagar : SIBL0000399

Kindly email the details of transfer to <a href="mailto:finance.imcblrmci@gmail.com">finance.imcblrmci@gmail.com</a>
for accounting purpose

## Area Fellowship

### **THEME 2021: THE PARABLES OF JESUS**

## ONLINE AREA WISE BIBLE STUDY GROUP - JULY 2021

THEME: JULY 2021: THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER Matthew 13:1-23

Day	Date	Time	Area Leader	Area Leader Mobile No.	Area
Fri	9-Jul	7:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Manoj .S	9945226623	Murugeshpalya
Fri	16-Jul	7:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Josey V. George	9980159310	Cambridge Layout
Sat	17-Jul	7:00 PM	Mrs. Bharathi Moses	9880800773	Jagadish Nagar
Fri	23-Jul	7:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Christopher	9945593463	Kasturi Nagar

Members coming under following groups are requested to contact their respective  Area Leader for the time/date/place of meeting:						
Sl. No.	Area Leader	Area Leader Mobile No.	Area			
1	Mr. Ravi George	9740468360	C.V. Raman Nagar			
2	Mr. Puneet Kumar	9980763784	Sarjapur Road			
3	Mr. & Mrs. Abhishek Das	9243104074	Marthahalli/ Whitefield			



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## Scripture Writing Portion For The Month of July

## OUR EVERPRESENT HELP IN TROUBLE

### How to do it:

- Grab some sheets or a journal and a pen
- Pray
- · Write out one verse a day
- Reflect on the Word,
   Memorize and personalize it

## Advantages of Scripture Writing

Helps in slowing down amidst all the daily challenges and allow the Word of God to speak to us in our situation!

- 1. Isaiah 41:10
- 2. Philippians 4:6-8
- Romans 8:31
- 4. Psalm 27:1
- Romans 8:18
- 6. Deuteronomy 31:8
- 7. Lamentations 3:22-23
- 8. John 14:27
- Psalm 46:1
- 10. Psalm 119:76
- 11. Isaiah 49:13
- 12. Psalm 27:14
- 13. Jeremiah 29:11
- 14. Psalm 55:22
- 15. Romans 8:37-39
- 16. Psalm 4:8

17. John 16:33

18. Colossians 3:15

19.1 Corinthians 14:33

20. Lamentations 3:32

21. Isaiah 12:1

22.2 Corinthians 1:3-4

23. Psalm 130:5

24. Genesis 50:21

25. Lamentations 3:24

26. Psalm 18:6

27. Psalm 147:3

28. Exodus 15:2

29. Isaiah 59:19

30. Nahum 1:7

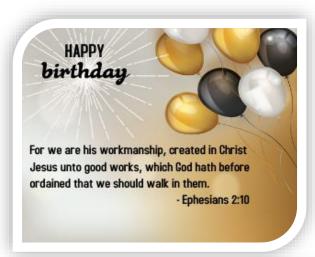
31. Joshua 1:9

## **GREETINGS:** *Birthday & Wedding Anniversary*

Heavenly Father, we thank you for our brothers and sisters celebrating their birthdays and wedding anniversaries this month of **JULY.** May our God bless them today and each day that follows. May they hear your voice, follow your footsteps, be comforted by your care and live in your grace now and forever. Amen.

"For through wisdom your days will be many, and years will be added to your life." – Proverbs 9:11

"But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love" – 1 Corinthians 13:13







## **IMC SUNDAY SCHOOL REOPENS**

IMC Sunday school reopened amidst a lot of excitement on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 2021.

The classes continue to be held online due to the pandemic that is still prevalent around us. Children from the age group of 3-18 yrs (kindergarten to std 12) attend the Sunday school. The class timings for each class have been fixed according to the convenience of the children. A majority of the classes meet between 3-5 pm, while a couple of them meet in the morning between 11.30am-12.30pm.

One of the plus points of the online classes, is that there is no physical boundary to the classroom. As such, we have children from across the country - from Jaipur, Mysore, Hyderabad and Chennai who have enrolled in our Sunday school. Two of our teachers who have relocated to Germany and Johannesburg continue to teach from there. At IMC Sunday school, we are ready to welcome interested children from anywhere in the world, to join us.



## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Last but not the least, our Sunday school has a set of prayerful, sincere and dedicated teachers They not only put in a lot of effort to make the online classes interesting, but take individual interest in the spiritual growth of the children. It is our prayer that every child who passes through the portals of our Sunday school will, accept Jesus as Lord and King, and will learn to live as worthy citizens of the Kingdom of God.

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:**

As fear and doubt of the third wave, predicted to affect mostly children, looms large in the mind of every parent, we are organizing a prayer session on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2021 between 4-5 pm for Sunday school children, parents and teachers. Instead of regular classes, we will have the prayer session, common to all classes, seeking God's protection on our children. IMC Senior Pastor, Rev. Paul Royappa will lead the session, encouraging children not to fear the pandemic, rather to overcome it by putting their faith and trust in Jesus. The zoom link to the meeting will be circulated, a day before the meeting. Please do attend and be blessed.

## **ONLINE PASTORAL VISITS**



Pastors would like to visit all of you in person, but due to this pandemic situation they are unable to visit. However, those who are interested to have online Pastoral Visits please contact the church office or the pastors.

# METHODIST JOURNEY (ONLINE)

THEME: Guiding Principles for young people

Session by: Rev. Paul K. Royappa

Question & Answer Time

SUNDAYS JULY 4 & 18 | 7PM-8PM

INVITE ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE AGE GROUP OF ABOVE 18 YEARS TO BELOW 25 YEARS TO ATTEND AND BE BLESSED.

For details contact:
Rev. Mohan Kumar @ 8308958766
Indrianagar Methodist Church

## INDIRNAGAR METHODIST CHURCH

## TIME MANAGEMENT

Saturday, 17th July 2021

7:30 am - 8:45 am

Speaker: Rev. Paul K. Royappa

Zoom Meeting link: https://zoom.us/j/98239472534

Meeting ID: 982 3947 2534

## WSCS Report for the month - June 2021 (All programs were conducted over Zoom meeting)

"The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing". ~ Psalm 23:1 (NIV)

We would like to praise God for the opportunity that He gave us to have the following programs organized during the month of June.

"Awareness Session on Covid -19" was arranged on 1st June and Speaker was Dr. Glory Alexander, Founder of Asha Foundation. She spoke in detail about Covid 19 and related topics. 97 participants attended the program.

The Q&A session was beneficial to many that they requested for more such sessions.

"<u>Fasting and Prayer</u>" was organized on 5<sup>th</sup> June. We prayed unitedly for the current Covid situation, healing prayer for the sick, prayer for the Church, Pastors & family and prayer for the Nation. Devotion was brought by **Rev. Calvin Sushith Ambler** and it was attended by close to 51 people.

"<u>Half Night Prayer</u>" was arranged on 11<sup>th</sup> June. We prayed for the institution of the family, church & prayer for the world. Prayer time witnessed the participation of over 55 people. A **Devotion** on importance of prayer was done by **Rev. Paul Royappa** and **Rev. Calvin Sushith Ambler** led us in powerful worship time.

Henry B. Eyring said "By helping others come unto him, you will find you have come unto him yourself". On the 19th of June, "A Testimony Sharing time" was organized for IMC members. We had 18 participants and it was an encouraging and soul strengthening time for each of us. During the testimony time we were able to learn from the participants as to how Prayer time was uplifting one in their troubled times. Over 50 people attended the program and Mrs. Pauline led us in a time of worship.

<u>Virtual House Visits:</u> WSCS has been regularly visiting IMC church members virtually. We pray along with them and praise God for His leading in all the WSCS activities.

<u>Hospital Ministry</u>: By God's grace we continued to support the hospital ministry by issuing cheques to those in need.

Even as we continue to praise God, we would like to convey our appreciation and thanks to all those who prayed, supported and participated in the programs. All Glory to be God!

### **WSCS Team**

## Indiranagar Methodist Church



## PRAYER TIME

"I call on the LORD in my distress, and he answers me."

~ Psalms 120:1 [NIV]

TIME :6:30 AM-7:30 AM
Date:3rd July

Zoom id: 843 9470 3963 Passcode: 12345

ARRANGED BY WSCS



## **Indiranagar Methodist Church-WSCS**

## "RISE DELIBERATELY"

(a session for women arranged by WSCS)

But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will RISE on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

ISAIAH 40:31

Speaker : Mrs.Jessie Hebbal

(UIM)

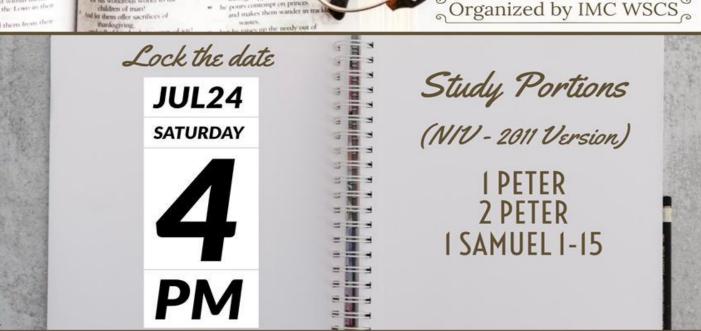
Date: 10th July, Saturday

Time: 5:30 PM-7 PM

Zoom Id: 87622201647

Password: rise





## REGISTRATION RULES

- \*Individual / Team / Family registrations
- \* One online login per team
- \* Open to all at IMC

OUR QUIZ MASTER MERVIN ASHLEY

## WSCS CORNER

## PROMISE WORD FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2021

"I will restore HEALTH to you, and your WOUNDS I will HEAL," Declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 30:17



## SCRIPTURE WRITING TOPIC FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2021

## "OUR EVERPRESENT HELP IN TIMES OF TROUBLE"

A WSCS INITIATIVE TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO INTERNALIZE THE WORD OF GOD BY WRITING JUST ONE VERSE A DAY, REFLECTING ON IT, MEMORIZING IT AND PERSONALIZING IT!

Bible references will be provided —

## "RISE DELIBERATELY"

A seminar is organized by the WSCS for women.

SPEAKER: MRS. JESSIE HEBBAL

DATE: 10TH JULY 2021

TIMINGS: 5.30 PM TO 7.00 PM.

ZOOM ID: 87622201647

Password: rise

## Kann Banega Online Bible Champion - Season 2

DATE: 24TH JULY 2021, TIME: 4 PM
Study Portions for the Quiz - NIV 2011 version
1 Peter, 2 Peter and 1 Samuel (1-15)
QUIZ MASTER: MR. MERVIN ASHLEY
ZOOM ID WILL BE SHARED

For registration pls contact Mrs. Susan Christina

For more information please contact WSCS President Mrs. Usha Jones on 9740394222

## **POOR FUND REPORT 2021**

## JANUARY - MAY 2021

### January 2021

- We want to thank and praise God for His blessings upon the Poor Fund ministry.
- In the month of January, we distributed provisions to 50 poor families from Baba Sahib Colony.

## February 2021

We gave Rs.4.80 lakhs towards bunker bed for Methodist Hostel, Raichur.

### March 2021

- We disbursed more than Rs.2.5 lakhs towards school fees for over hundred poor children.
- We gave Rs.15,000 towards medical treatment of a boy's suffering from brain tumour.
- A pastor's family affected by corona were given Rs. 30,000.

## April 2021

A support of Rs.10,000 was given to a widower for her medical treatment.

## May 2021

 Supported Rs.50,000 towards one of our members husband for covid medical treatment.

## **JUNE 2021**

### June 2021

- We distributed Provisions for 39 poor families of Hosa Road Methodist Church.
- We have extended our support to the Pastors (BRC) & their families affected by Covid-19.
- Provided provisions to 40 poor & needy families at Sadarmanagla.

## **SUPPORT TO POOR & NEEDY**

**Support to poor students school fees – March 2021** 



## **Support to 39 Poor & Needy families in Hosa Road Methodist Church – June 2021**



## **SUPPORT TO POOR & NEEDY**

Support to 40 Poor & Needy families in Sadaramangala Church – June 2021









## INDIRANAGAR METHODIST CHURCH PULPIT CALENDAR - JULY 2021 A CALL TO REBUILD OUR BROKEN WALLS

Spiritual lessons from Nehemiah

JUL

Preparation for Rebuilding

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\*9:30 AM - Rev. Paul K. Royappa

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Plan for Rebuilding

9:30 AM - Rev. Calvin Sushith Ambler

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Strength for Rebuilding

9:30 AM - Rev. Mohan Kumar

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**Biblical Response to Distractions** 

9:30 AM - Rev. Paul K. Royappa

Note: \* Holy Communion