



# Interact

A MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE INDIRANAGAR METHODIST CHURCH

March 2025

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**“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men” - Matthew 4:19**



**DISCIPLESHIP**  
*& why it matters?*





**HEARTY WELCOME TO BISHOP DR. ANILKUMAR SERVAND,  
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(An extension of the Indiranagar Methodist Church)

**WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 AM EVERY SUNDAY**

**Theme: DISCIPLESHIP & WHY IT MATTERS?**

Mar 02*	The Call to Discipleship	Rev. Mohan Kumar
Mar 09	Women's Sunday	Mrs. Tina Franklin
Mar 16	The Heart of Discipleship	Rev. Robert
Mar 23	The Cost of Discipleship	Rev. Robert
Mar 30	The Test of Discipleship	Rev. Robert

\* Holy Communion

Place of Worship:  
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## Indiranagar Methodist Church

### OUR VISION

Our vision is to Preach and teach people to be Disciples of Christ. To see people saved, transformed, equipped, rooted in prayer & God's Word and grounded in unity and love to serve all people with humility and faithfulness. Engaging the next generation and reaching out to the unreached and care for the needy.

### OUR MISSION

We CALL people to faith in Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Word and CELEBRATE God's presence through worship as one body under the Lordship of Christ. We strive to CONNECT people together in caring relationships as we grow together in the knowledge and love of God the Father, COMMISSIONING every member to serve in ministry by power of the Holy Spirit.

### Our Core Values

Christ and Word-Centered  
Fellowship & Unity in diversity  
Holiness & Witness for Christ  
Care and Reach out to every one  
Developing Godly generation  
Grow and serve as the Disciples of Christ

# Pastoral Letter

Dear IMC Family,

Greetings to you in the matchless name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We praise God for the way He led us all through the past 2 months. Last month we focused on the theme **'A Call to Focus on one Thing'**, and this month we, the pastoral team have prayerfully chosen the theme **'Discipleship and why it matters?'**

The call to be a disciple of Christ is not just a suggestion, but a clear and transformative command from our Savior. In Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus instructs us to "Go and make disciples of all nations," signifying that discipleship is the foundation upon which our mission as Christians stands. But what does it mean to be a disciple? Why does it matter so much in our daily lives, and why should it be at the heart of the church?

**The Call to Discipleship:** Jesus Himself invites each of us, just as He invited His first followers, saying: "Come, follow me" (**Matthew 4:19**). Discipleship begins with a personal encounter with Jesus, an invitation to leave behind our old ways of living and to follow Him with our whole heart. This is not a passive task but an active and daily commitment to becoming more like

Christ, to being shaped by His Word, His Spirit, and His example.

Being a disciple is more than simply attending church or reading Scripture occasionally; it is a lifelong pursuit of imitating Christ in every area of our lives. As disciples, we are called not only to learn from Jesus but also to become His hands and feet in the world. In Luke 9:23, Jesus says, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me." Discipleship is not an easy journey, but it is the path to true freedom, joy, and fulfillment. It calls us to leave behind the comforts and distractions of the world and focus our hearts, minds, and actions on Christ.

## Why Discipleship Matters?

### 1. It is the Command of Christ

We do not follow Christ out of obligation, but because He has commanded it. Discipleship is an integral part of the Great Commission. Jesus' call to "Go and make disciples" is not just for a select few but for all believers. Every one of us is called to follow Him and to make others disciples too. Our faith is not meant to be kept to ourselves; it is meant to be shared, taught, and passed down to others.

## 2. It Leads to Personal Transformation

Discipleship transforms our hearts. It changes the way we view the world, our priorities, and our relationships. As we grow in the knowledge of Christ and His Word, we are continually being moulded into His image. This process of sanctification is not something we do alone, but through the power of the Holy Spirit, who empowers us to live out God's will in our lives.

## 3. It Builds a Stronger, Healthier Church

When discipleship is at the center of a church, the entire body of Christ is strengthened. A church that prioritizes discipleship will see its members growing in faith, equipped to serve, and empowered to impact their communities with the gospel. Discipleship fosters unity, deepens our relationships with one another, and leads to spiritual maturity within the congregation.

## 4. It Equips Us to Impact the World

Being a disciple of Christ is not only about personal transformation but also about being sent out to serve. Discipleship equips us with the knowledge, skills, and heart to engage the world around us

whether through evangelism, acts of service, or the way we live our daily lives. As we follow Jesus more closely, we become a beacon of hope in a dark and hurting world.

**The Cost of Discipleship:** Discipleship is not a passive or casual commitment. Jesus warned us that following Him comes with a cost (**Luke 14:27-33**). It means dying to self, sacrificing worldly desires, and sometimes facing persecution for His sake. But it is in this surrender that we find true life. "Whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it" (**Matthew 16:25**). The reward of discipleship is not just in the here and now but is eternal an everlasting life with our Savior.

**A Call to Action:** We urge each one of you to examine your life. Are you truly following Christ, or have you allowed other things to take His place? Are you investing in your spiritual growth and in the discipleship of others? Let us not grow complacent, but instead be intentional about growing in our faith and sharing it with those around us. Discipleship is a journey that never ends until we see Jesus face to face. Let us commit to walking this path together, as a church that is passionate about knowing Christ and making

Him known.

As we begin the **Lent season**, let us seek to build a culture of discipleship in our church where we learn from one another, encourage one another, and hold each other accountable in our walk with Christ. May our lives reflect the beauty of the gospel, and may we be faithful to the calling of being His disciples. Let us commit ourselves, together, to

live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. May our lives reflect His glory and extend His kingdom on earth.

Thank you all for your constant support and prayers. We too assure you all of our prayers.

God bless you all.

- **The Pastoral Team-IMC**

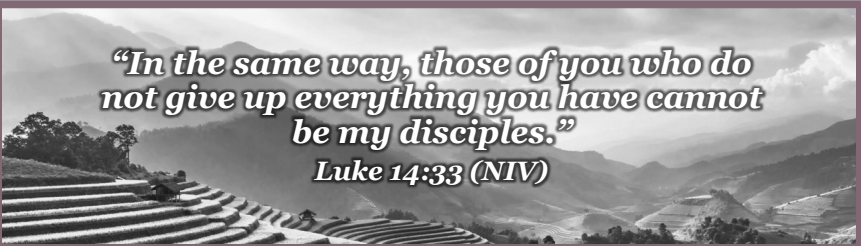
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## *Good Shepherd, Dumb Sheep*

**D**avid was a shepherd in a village for a year. He says sheep are so dumb that they'll only eat what is right in front of them. Even if they've eaten all the grass in front of them, they won't turn to look for a fresh patch they'll just start eating dirt. We laughed and I couldn't help but think about how often the Bible compares humans to sheep. No wonder we need a shepherd. But since sheep are so dumb, not just any shepherd will do. Sheep need a shepherd who cares about them. God the good shepherd promised to rescue us from bad people. He would heal the injured and go after the lost. He would banish wild animals, so that His flock would be safe. How blessed we are to have a shepherd who is always leading us to green pastures. "As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep." - Ezekiel 34:12

- **Mrs. Elsie Peter**

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***"In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples."***

***Luke 14:33 (NIV)***

# NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our Gratitude:** We thank our District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Sebastian Ravi Kumar & Dr. Jamila Koshy for ministering to us last month. The congregation is requested to pray for the pulpit ministry of IMC .

**Memoriam:** We deeply regret the passing away of Mrs. Hemalata Prakash, aged 67 years, on Friday, 7th February 2025. Please pray for the members of the bereaved family.

**Child Baptism:** Debbie Abriel D/o. Adeline Rite was baptised on Sunday, 9th February 2025.

**Pastorate Committee Meeting:** Will be held on Tuesday, 11th March 2025 at 7 pm in the Board Room, IMC Annexe. All the Pastorate Committee members are requested to attend the meeting without fail

**Wednesday Online Bible Study:** There will be no Wednesday Online Bible Study due to the Lenten services beginning from Ash Wednesday, 5th March in the Church. The Online Bible Study will resume after Easter.

**Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF):** Will meet every Sunday soon after the 9:30 am worship

service in the church. We invite all youths who are above 18 years and below 25 years, to attend and be blessed. The youth meets every Friday at 5pm for a time of prayer in the church. For details contact MYF President, Mr. Sudheer at 9902543319.

**Senior Citizens Fellowship:** Will meet every 4th Saturday, 22nd March 2025 at 10 am in the church for a time of prayer, fellowship, hearing Gods word and bible based activities. If you are a senior citizen please consider joining us. For more details contact Mr. Manna .K at 9886655321 or Mrs. Parin Paul at 9845046223.

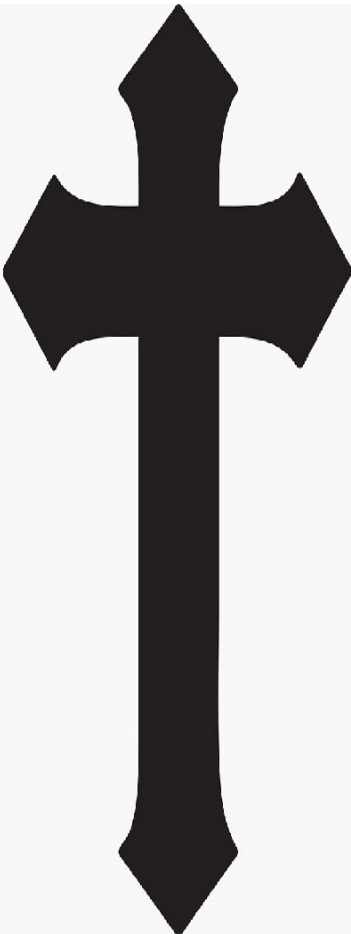
**Methodist Young Adults Fellowship (MYAF):** Will meet every Third Sunday soon after the 9:30 am worship service. Age group 26-39 years are invited to attend. They also meet for online prayer every Thursday at 9:30 pm. For details kindly, contact Mr. Nikhil at 8522985588.

**Lent Online Prayer Time:** Every day from March 5th, from 6:30 am to 7 am. The details will be posted on our church whatsapp groups. Invite you all to participate.

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

**How to Interact?** You can send your short write-ups, testimonies & articles for the Interact in softcopies. Because of the

limitation of space in the magazine, the articles are selected on "First cum First serve basis" and the Pastoral teams' decision is final. Articles and essays are to be limited to a maximum of 2 A4 size papers. The last date for submitting these articles is before 20th of every month to [office@imc.church](mailto:office@imc.church).



**Our steps are slow,  
Our breathing ragged,  
Our burdens heavy.  
This walk to the cross,  
It is not easy,  
Yet Christ walked it for us.  
For the joy  
that was set before him,  
He despised the shame,  
He bore our blame,  
And shared our pain,  
Now let us build on the rock,  
That is Christ.  
Let us walk the way of the cross  
together,  
Moving forward without fear,  
Into God's eternal purposes.  
For Christ himself is with us,  
every step of the way.  
Let us trust in God alone,  
And find the joy that Christ did,  
Obedience to our loving God.**



# TAKE IT TO THE LORD

**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 at all times.
  - 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 Feb 2025.
  - 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 works 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 March 2025.
- Our Hon'ble Bishop Dr. Anilkumar Servand, 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. Alexander Augustine and Rev. Mohan Kumar.
  - Our Pastorate Committee members and organizations: WSCS, MMF, MYF, MYAF, 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 healing upon Mr. Vijaya Kumar Samuel, Mr. Krishna Murthy, Mrs. Emily Paulson, Mr. Solomon Sukumar, Mrs. Evelyn, Mrs. Susan Chander and all sick people.

**For Pastoral visits, Home Communion, Counselling and prayers, please contact the Pastoral Team.**

# THE FABLE OF A CISTERN

**M**y name is clay. I don't know how I came in to this world. I have no clue about my purpose in this universe. I don't know whether I lived on the field, roadside or by a mountainside. Many a times I was considered as dirt and trampled up on so many times. People tread on me, some walked away and others had expressions of disgust because of my look. I felt like I didn't have a state of identity and had no self esteem. My life continued. But one day ,something unexpected happened in my life. A strange hand picked me up, placed me in a gunny bag and walked away. I was scared but the inner me felt happy because for the first time in years, somebody picked me up from the miry pit. He took me to an unidentified dark yard and dropped the bag. I was left lying there. I felt like I was in a dungeon. My hopes were shattered into a million pieces.



I waited for days and then months before , the bag was opened and I was dumped on the floor. Ouch ! It hurt. But nobody listened to my cry of pain. Then again I felt a gentle touch. He started kneading me repeatedly with pressure. I could feel the pain. But I realised something with in me and I was getting softer and softer. He took away all the lumps of pride, low self-esteem, hatred, self-pity and may be my yuckiness. Every time I turned hard and started to have cracks he moulded me again and again. I lost track of the number of times the pain he took to mould me and the joy he had on his face in moulding me. After a treacherous ordeal ,I was placed on a wheel and he started shaping me.

He was removing the rough edges from me and soon I felt I was getting an identity. The best part was that his entire attention was on me as if I was the only one who existed in this universe. He gave me a name as *Cistern*. I realised he was "*The Potter*". I couldn't believe my eyes. I got my identity as I surrendered myself in the hands of the Potter or allowed Him to take control of me.

I thought that the process ended there, but he took to a place

where I could feel hot air blowing. He placed me there. It was getting hotter and hotter. I couldn't bear the heat. The potter told hold on just a little longer to come out as a beautiful porcelain cistern. I waited and the extremely excruciating pain came to an end. The process was worth it. I came out so beautiful and elegant that I could not believe that it was me. He painted me in hypnotizing colours and I became the perfect cistern in His sight. Thank you Potter for making me beautiful by removing my flaws.



Though this is an imaginative narrative this is the fable of you and me. If you feel still you are unattended lying down cry out to God He will take you and mould you. We are the clay and He is our Potter. Hang on still God turns out you in to a useful vessel. Get an identity in Him. As long as you have surrendered yourself in to the Hands of God don't worry about the process but trust the Maker. Can we hold on to Isaiah 64:8, **But now, O Lord, You are our Father, We are the clay and You are our potter: And all of us are the work of Your hand.**

*Have Thine own way Lord,  
Have Thine own way  
Thou art the potter, I am the clay  
Mold me and make me after Thy will  
While I am waiting yielded and still*

- Mrs. Magdalene Daniel

# THROUGH THE **WATERS**

## **A TESTIMONY OF TRUST**

**I**saiah 43:2 - "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze."

In 2020, with hearts full of dreams and faith, we booked what we believed to be our "Dream Home." It felt like the start of a beautiful chapter. But within months, our hopes were shattered when the builder declared bankruptcy, leaving us betrayed and our dreams in ruins.

For four years, we've been fervently praying and enduring the turmoil of legal battles. The most painful part is hearing claims that the home we purchased isn't ours due to the builder's unpaid debts, dragging our dream home into a complex web of disputes and uncertainty. Regret often weighs heavy, as we think of the opportunities missed—how life might have been different had we chosen another home, when housing prices were affordable, as prices have skyrocketed after the pandemic.

Yet, even in this despair, I trust God's greater plan for us. Through this season of suffering, He has drawn me closer, teaching lessons I could not have learned otherwise. He has taught me what it truly means to praise Him in the midst of the storm, just as Paul and Silas did. For so long, I struggled to understand how Job could declare, even in his immense loss, "The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." But now, through this season, I have learned how to honor God irrespective of my circumstances. He has walked me through this trial, gently teaching me to trust Him completely, no matter the situation.

I believe in His perfect timing, He will restore what we've lost. Until then, I rest in the assurance that we are never alone—Immanuel, God with us, sustains and strengthens us. I praise Him for this trial, trusting His plans are good, even when the way forward is unclear.

"What may seem like loss is often part of a greater purpose, and God's delays are for our greater good", We see this truth woven throughout the lives of so many champions of faith—Ruth, Joseph, Job—and I am confident that He will accomplish His purposes in our lives as well. I praise and glorify Him, knowing that we do not walk through these difficult times alone. The One who promises, "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you," is ever-present, sustaining us with His unfailing love.

Our hearts are no longer troubled. Instead, we rejoice in the Lord, praising Him as we trust Him to work in ways far beyond our understanding. His faithfulness gives us every reason to glorify Him through it all.

*-Anonymous*

# ELECTRONIC CITY METHODIST WORSHIP CENTRE



Foundation Day Service - 02 Feb 2025

# WSCS OPEN ARMS

14 Feb 2025



# WSCS RETREAT

15 Feb 2025



**CHRISTMAS LUNCH WITH SUPPORT STAFF, PASTORS & FAMILY & POOR FUND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**  
**17 FEB 2025**



**WSCS SUNDAY - 16 FEB 2025**





# INDIRANAGAR METHODIST CHURCH

**“LIVING DANGEROUSLY-  
LEADING A DANIEL’S LIFE  
IN A NEBUCHADNEZZAR’S WORLD”**



**DATE : 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2025  
TIME :10 AM - 3 PM @ IMC ANNEXE BUILDING  
REGISTRATION : RS.200/-**



**SPEAKER: MR. ANAND PILLAI**

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**A IMC - MMF INITIATIVE**

*All are Welcome!*



# WSCS CORNER

## WORD FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2025

*Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from His love, if any common sharing in the spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.*

PHILIPPIANS 2: 1-2

## Visit to Gerizim Home

DATE: SATURDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2025

TIME : START FROM IMC @ 4 PM

*A time of Prayer & Fellowship  
at Gerizim home.*



## HALF NIGHT PRAYER

DATE: FRIDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2025

TIME : 9-PM to 12 AM @ IMC

*A time of Prayer & Worship*

OPEN TO ALL

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

## WHY DO WE OBSERVE LENT?

**B**y His grace, God has enabled us to enter into yet another Lent season this year. The word “Lent” in Latin simply means ‘spring’- a season of new beginning. In the spiritual sense Lent has come to mean a period of preparation to remind us - not only the death of Christ but also death to our own sin by the power of the Holy Spirit. Lent is therefore a time of repentance, a time to identify those powers of darkness that control our thoughts and actions and a time to let our own sin to be nailed to the Cross with Jesus, thus releasing us from them that we may be raised to a newness of life in the resurrection of Christ. So let us not consider this season to just observe rituals like abstaining from worldly pleasures but let us draw near the Cross by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting and self-denial. Let us read and meditate more of God’s Word, so that we will draw closer to God. Robert E. Webber writes, *“I have always found this pattern true in my own experience. I need an annual time of ordered self-examination - a time when I look at my life, my relationships, my attitudes and my actions under the searching light of God’s Word. This special season of the Christian year provides me with an incentive to look more deeply at my own life.”*

**Joel 2:13** says, “Rend your heart, and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God for He is gracious and compassionate. Verse 15 says “declare a holy fast”. Joel called for a solemn assembly where God’s people would truly repent of their sins and seek God’s help. It would be easy to participate in some religious ceremonies but it is quite difficult to humbly confess their sins to God with broken hearts. The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. He would surely take pity on His people, forgive their sins and restore their land. Let us also make use of the special season of the year to repent from our sins. Let us rend our hearts to God, and return to Him with brokenness and humility. Repentance is “accepting the truth of what God says about ourselves and longing to turn away from sin.”

As part of our spiritual renewal, we invite you all to join us for our church daily morning Lent prayer time starting from *Ash Wednesday on March 5<sup>th</sup>* and Wednesday Evening Lent Study on the seven churches in Revelation.

**- Rev. Paul Royappa**

# MEMORIZE THE **BIBLE**



**Your word is a lamp for my feet,  
a light on my path.**

*Psalm 27:1*

**02-MAR-2025**

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

**- Matthew 4:19-20**

**09-MAR-2025**

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. - **Matthew 9: 36-37**

**16-MAR-2025**

“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

**- John 13: 34-35**

**23-MAR-2025**

As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.” - **Luke 9:57-58**

**30-MAR-2025**

Peter turned and saw that the disciple whom Jesus loved was following them. (This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, “Lord, who is going to betray you?”) When Peter saw him, he asked, “Lord, what about him?”

**- John 21:20-21**

# GRAHAM STUART STAINES

(JANUARY 18, 1941 – JANUARY 23, 1999)

**G**raham Stuart Staines was an Australian Christian missionary known for his dedicated work with leprosy patients in India. Born in Palmwoods, Queensland, Australia, Staines was influenced by his mother, Elizabeth, who was deeply religious and instilled in him a strong sense of compassion and service. At the age of 15, a visiting missionary's presentation about leprosy patients profoundly impacted him, leading him to dedicate his life to serving those afflicted by the disease. This calling led him to India in 1965, where he joined the Evangelical Missionary Society of Mayurbhanj (EMSM) in Odisha.



Staines dedicated over three decades of his life to serving the tribal communities in Odisha, particularly in the Mayurbhanj district. He managed the Mayurbhanj Leprosy Home, providing medical care, education, and support to those suffering from leprosy. His efforts extended beyond medical care; he also promoted self-reliance by teaching rehabilitated patients how to make mats and baskets from local materials. Staines lived among the local people, which provided him with constant exposure to the languages spoken in the region, including Odia, Santhali, and Ho. He played a significant role in translating parts of the Bible into the Ho language, ensuring that the local population could access religious texts in their native tongue.

In 1983, Staines married Gladys Weatherhead, a nurse from Queensland who shared his passion for missionary work. Together, they had three children: a daughter, Esther, and two sons, Philip and Timothy. The family lived in Baripada, Odisha, where they continued their humanitarian efforts.

Staines was actively involved in church planting and evangelism. He established around 27 churches in the region, providing spiritual guidance and support to the local communities. Tragically, on

January 23, 1999, Graham Staines and his two sons were murdered by members of the Bajrang Dal. They were burnt to death while sleeping in their station wagon in Manoharpur village, Odisha. This horrific incident drew international condemnation and highlighted the dangers faced by missionaries in certain regions.

Despite the tragedy, Gladys stated that she held no bitterness towards the killers and forgave them for their actions. She emphasized that forgiveness was essential to prevent hatred and violence from perpetuating. Gladys Staines chose to stay in India for several years after her husband's death, continuing their work with leprosy patients. In recognition of her dedication, she was awarded the Padma Shri, one of India's highest civilian honors, in 2005.

Staines' life was a powerful testimony to his faith. His dedication to serving the marginalized and his willingness to live a simple, sacrificial life inspired many. His actions spoke volumes about his commitment to the gospel, and his personal example drew many to the Christian faith. Graham Staines is remembered for his unwavering commitment to serving the marginalized and his profound impact on the lives of those he helped. His legacy continues to inspire many in the field of humanitarian work.

**- Christian Education & Nurture Committee, IMC**

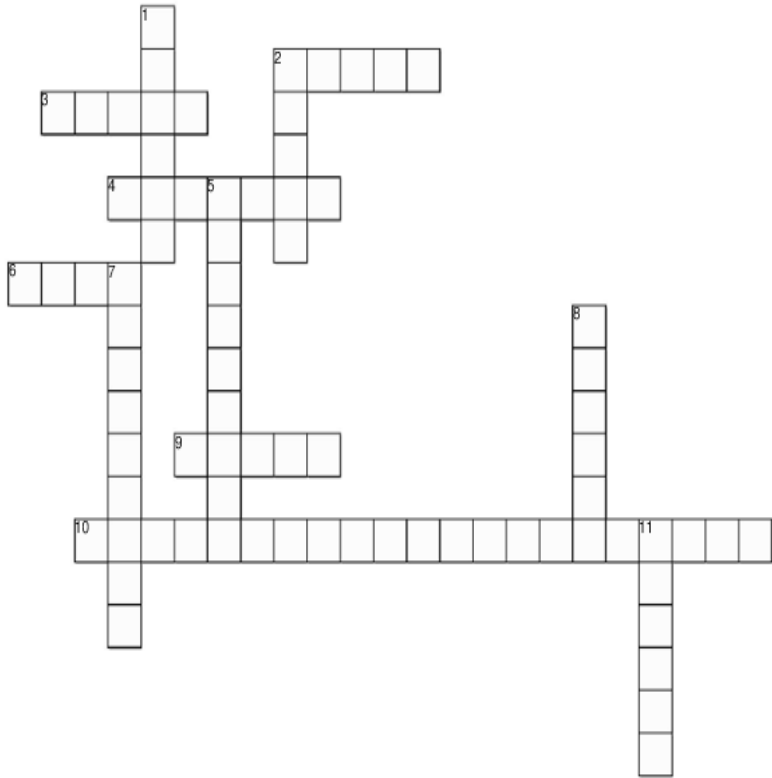
## AREA WISE BIBLE STUDY

### **Topic: Parable of the workers in the vineyard (Matthew 20:1-16)**

Day	Date	Time	Venue	Area Leader/ Mobile/ Area
Fri	28/03	7:00 PM	<b>Mr. V. Naveen Kumar and Mrs. Renee</b> # 41 Malleshpalya Extn. Vignan Nagar, 1st Main, 3rd Cross Bengaluru 560075	Mrs. Ida Selvakumar 9448118143 Jagadish Nagar/ Malleshplaya
Members coming under following groups are requested to contact their respective Area co-ordinators for the date, time and place of meeting:				
Sl. No.	Area Co-ordinator/s		Area	Contact No.
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4	Mr. & Mrs. Abhishek Das		Marathahalli/ Whitefield	9243104074
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6	Mr. & Mrs. Chrisanth Jebakumar		Kothanur	9945000982
7	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Christopher		Kasturi Nagar/Ramamurthy Nagar	9945593463

# Kids' Corner

## THE TWELVE DISCIPLES



### Across:

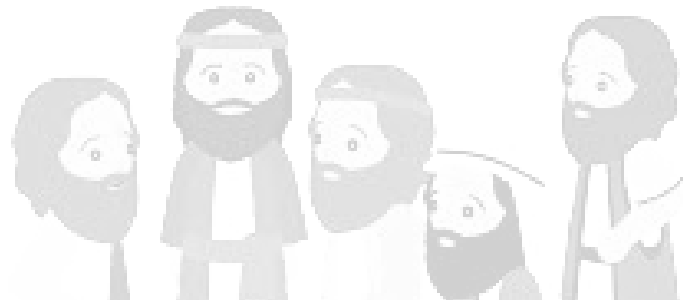
2. The disciple who betrayed Jesus. First name only (Matt. 10:4)
3. Also goes by "The Zealot" (Matt. 10:4)
4. The Tax Collector, also known as Levi (Matt. 9:9)
6. The other son of Zebedee (Matt. 4:21)
9. Also goes by 'Simon' (Matt. 4:18)
10. Shares his name with another disciple (Matt. 10:3)

### Down:

1. Known for doubting Jesus (John 20:27)
2. One of the sons of Zebedee (Matt. 4:21)
5. The tenth listed disciple (Mark. 3:16-19)
7. Phillip led this person to Jesus, also known as 'Bartholomew' (John 1:45)
8. Jesus found him on the way to Galilee (John. 1:43)
11. Peter's brother (Matt. 4:18)

**Sermon Notes: Utilize this space for notetaking and contemplation**

**MAR 02: THE CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP - MATTHEW 4: 17-22**

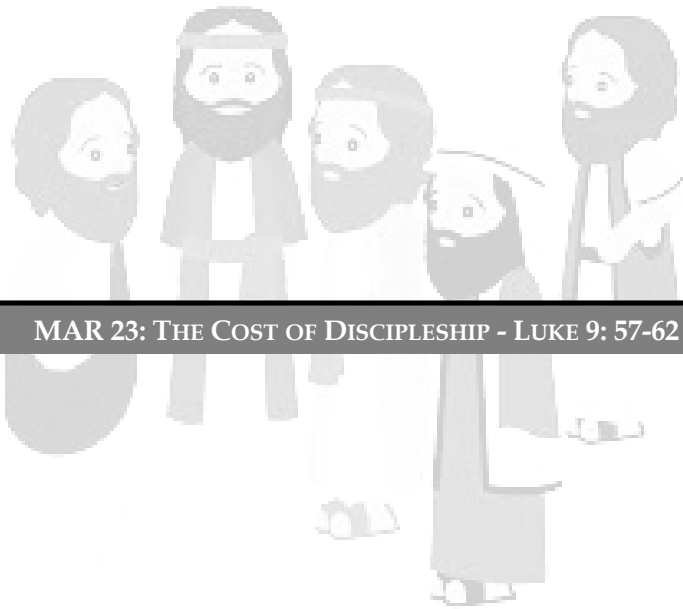


**MAR 09: THE IMPORTANCE OF DISCIPLESHIP - MATTHEW 9: 35-37**



**Sermon Notes: Utilize this space for notetaking and contemplation**

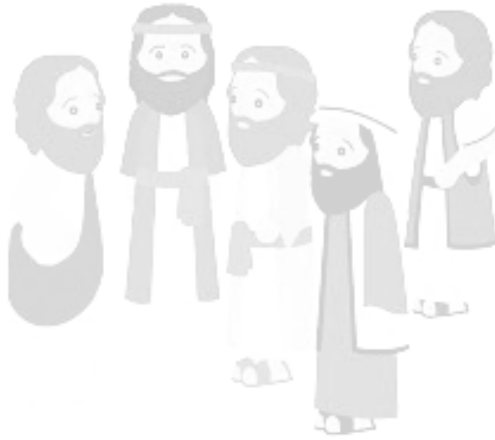
**MAR 16: THE HEART OF DISCIPLESHIP - JOHN 13: 31-38**



**MAR 23: THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP - LUKE 9: 57-62**



**MAR 30: THE TEST OF DISCIPLESHIP - JOHN 21: 15-21**



**ALTAR FLOWERS - FEBRUARY 2025**

Date	Contributors Name	Message
16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Mrs. Lalitha Abraham</b>	In loving memory and thanksgiving to God for the life of Mrs. M. Saroja Victor wife of Mr. Joseph Victor on her 1st death anniversary.
	<b>The women of WSCS</b>	In thanksgiving to God on the occasion of WSCS Sunday today.
22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	<b>The children of Late Mrs. Daisy Malcolm</b>	In fond remembrance of their beloved mother on her birthday on Feb 26.



## Bank & UPI Details For Tithes & Offerings



Account Name - Indiranagar Methodist Church  
Account Number - 0399053000014868  
Type of Account - Savings  
Bank Name - South Indian Bank  
Branch - Indiranagar  
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## For Church Planting & Outreach



Account Name - Indiranagar Methodist Church-  
Church Outreach Account  
Account Number - 0399053000015301  
Type of Account - Savings  
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*All are invited*

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

5 Mar 2025 at 7:00 PM

Speaker: Rev. Paul Royappa

Sermon Topic:

EPHESUS - THE LOVELESS CHURCH - REV 2:1-7

SMYRNA - THE SUFFERING CHURCH - REV 2:8-11

## LENT SERVICES

EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 7 PM

STUDY TOPIC: LESSONS FROM THE 7 CHURCHES OF REVELATION

March 12 - **Pergamum** - The Compromising Church (Rev 2:12-17)

Rev. Alexander Augustine

March 19- **Thyatira**- The Adulterous Church (Rev 2:18-29)

Rev. Mohan Kumar

March 26 - **Sardis**- The Dead Church (Rev 3:1-6)

Rev. Paul Royappa

April 02 - **Philadelphia**- The Faithful Church (Rev 3:7-13)

Rev. Alexander Augustine

April 09 - **Laodicea**- The Lukewarm Church (Rev 3:14-22)

Rev. Mohan Kumar

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- Wonderful fellowship

**VBS  
AT  
IMC**

22 APR TO 3 MAY  
9 AM TO 12:30 PM  
4 TO 18 YRS

**REGISTRATION - 300 INR**

**THEME: BE A FRIEND OF GOD**

**VBS DIRECTOR: MRS. USHA JONES**

**:: VBS CORE TEAM ::**

**CO-ORDINATOR: SARITHA SATHESH**

**FINANCE: JACINTHA JEBAKUMAR**

**FOOD: SHEBA SATHISH**

**MUSIC: SHEEBA ARUL**

**PRAYER: PAVANI THOMAS**

**ART & ACTIVITIES: SHARON NIKHIL**

**OFFICE: REENA EBENEZER**

**REGISTRATION: JYOTHSNA**

**SATHAVAHAN**

**DISCIPLINE: WILLIAM BHASKAR**

**MEDICAL: DR. PREETI AVINASH**

**MEDIA: JOYCE CHARLES**

Please pray for the VBS. Do enroll your children and come be a part of this VBS.  
For details kindly contact Mrs. Usha Jones at 9740394222 or Mrs. Saritha Sathesh at 8197318193



# INDIRANAGAR METHODIST CHURCH

*Pulpit Calendar - March 2025*

*Theme*

**DISCIPLESHIP & WHY IT MATTERS?**

DATE	SERMON TITLE / SPEAKER
<b>MARCH 02</b> 7:00 AM* 9:30 AM* 6:00 PM*	<b>THE CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP</b> REV. ALEXANDER AUGUSTINE REV. PAUL ROYAPPA REV. MOHAN KUMAR
<b>MARCH 09</b> 7:00 AM 9:30 AM 6:00 PM	<b>THE IMPORTANCE OF DISCIPLESHIP</b> REV. PAUL ROYAPPA <b>MR. ANAND PILLAI - MMF SUNDAY</b> REV. ALEXANDER AUGUSTINE
<b>MARCH 16</b> 7:00 AM 9:30 AM 6:00 PM*	<b>THE HEART OF DISCIPLESHIP</b> REV. MOHAN KUMAR REV. ALEXANDER AUGUSTINE REV. PAUL ROYAPPA
<b>MARCH 23</b> 7:00 AM 9:30 AM 6:00 PM	<b>THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP</b> REV. PAUL ROYAPPA REV. MOHAN KUMAR REV. ALEXANDER AUGUSTINE
<b>MARCH 30</b> 7:00 AM 9:30 AM 6:00 PM	<b>THE TEST OF DISCIPLESHIP</b> REV. ALEXANDER AUGUSTINE REV. PAUL ROYAPPA <b>MUSIC SUNDAY   THE LAUDANT CHOIR</b> REV. MOHAN KUMAR

**\* HOLY COMMUNION**

**Dawn Communion Service will be held on Tuesday,  
1st April 2025 at 6:30 AM**