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LEAD ME, *Lord*

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

ONLINE WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

ON THE BOOK OF HOSEA

JUNE 2026 | 7 PM

Study No.	Topic	Led By	Date
11	Call to repentance and ethical living Hosea 10:1-15	Rev. Andrew Samuel	3 rd Jun
12	Embracing God's Compassion in Daily Life Hosea 11:1-11	Rev. Aron Preetham	10 th Jun
13	Learning from history to guide today Hosea 12:1-14	Rev. Andrew Samuel	17 th Jun
14	Maintaining Hope Despite Failures Hosea 13:1-16	Rev. Aron Preetham	24 th Jun

**ELECTRONIC CITY
METHODIST WORSHIP CENTRE**
(An extension of the Indiranagar Methodist Church)
WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 AM EVERY SUNDAY
Theme: "LEAD ME, LORD"

*Jun 07	Surrender Brings God's Direction	Rev. Robert
Jun 14	Called to God's Purpose	Mr. Jonathan Bhavyan
Jun 21	A Call to trust in God's Timing and Process	Rev. Robert
Jun 28	Recognizing God's Voice	Rev. Robert

* Holy Communion

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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

Beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As we step into a new month, the Pastoral Team would like to take this opportunity to encourage each one of you to continue walking faithfully with the Lord. We thank God for His sustaining grace, His unfailing love, and His constant faithfulness toward our church family. Through every season—whether joyful or challenging—God has remained our refuge and strength.

The month of May was a solemn month of seeing the presence of God in the midst of our lives, regardless of the situations we were in. We also saw the Holy Spirit working in and through the lives of the congregation members and the Pastoral team as we explored the overarching theme **“God in the Midst”**.

As we look back we are thankful to God that God gave us a sanctuary to worship, to commune and to gather as His Children. It was only by God’s grace that the Lord allowed us to start the **Painting of our Church Sanctuary** after 10 years both from the inside and out. Kindly pray for the painting work to finish on time.

The Methodist Men’s Fellowship (MMF) of our Church had a meaningful **retreat** from the 14th to the 17th of May in **Wayanad and Kozhikode**. Rev. Aron Preetham accompanied the MMF on their retreat. We are grateful for God’s presence with them as they safely travelled back and forth.

We are pleased to share with you the theme for this month, **“Lead Me, Lord.”** Our focal point is to see the Guiding presence of our Lord in our lives. It is of utmost importance that our lives are not be led by the ways of the world or the ways of our own mind but be led by God alone. Even though it might lead to situations that might seem uncertain to us, we are called to be led by God, to trust in Him alone and His wisdom. Through this month’s sermons, we will concentrate upon the various perspectives of being Led by God:

JUNE 7 – SURRENDER BRINGS GOD’S DIRECTION- PROVERBS 3:5-6

True guidance begins with complete surrender to God. Human

understanding is limited, but God sees the entire path ahead. When believers trust Him wholeheartedly and acknowledge Him in every decision, He faithfully directs their steps. Surrender is not weakness; it is an act of faith that invites God's wisdom, peace, and purpose into everyday life and future journeys.

JUNE 14 - CALLED TO GOD'S PURPOSE-ROMANS 8:28-30

God has a divine purpose for every believer's life. Even difficult situations are used by Him for good according to His perfect plan. Those whom God calls are shaped, strengthened, and transformed into Christ's likeness. This passage reminds believers that their lives are not accidental but intentionally designed by God for His glory and eternal purpose.

**JUNE 21 - A CALL TO TRUST IN GOD'S TIMING AND PROCESS
ISAIAH 55:8-11**

God's thoughts and ways are far greater than human understanding. Often, believers may not immediately understand His timing or methods, yet His plans are always purposeful and trustworthy. Just as rain accomplishes its work upon the earth, God's Word never fails. Trusting His process requires patience, faith, and confidence that He is always working for fulfilment and growth.

JUNE 28 - RECOGNIZING GOD'S VOICE-JOHN 10:25-30

Jesus describes His followers as sheep who recognize and follow His voice. A close relationship with Christ helps believers discern His guidance amidst many distractions. God speaks through His Word, the Holy Spirit, prayer, and godly counsel. Those who belong to Him can walk confidently, knowing they are securely held in His loving and powerful hands forever.

Let us embark on this journey with a posture of humility and openness to be led by God no matter what the price. May these sermon themes create a fresh understanding of surrender in our lives. May it cultivate an attitude of deep honour and trust toward God in all the situations of our lives. We thank you for your continuous prayers, support and care. Be rest assured that we too are keeping you in our prayers.

May God's blessings always be upon you.

- The Pastoral Team - IMC

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Our Gratitude:** We thank Dr. Julian Sundersingh for ministering to us last month. The congregation is requested to pray for the pulpit ministry of IMC.
- **Pastorate Committee Meeting:** Will be held on Tuesday, 9th June 2026 at 7 pm in the Board Room, IMC Annexe. All the Pastorate Committee members are requested to attend the meeting without fail.
- **Wedding Congratulations:** The IMC family congratulates the newly married couples:
 - ◊ Mr. J. Nixon Manuel and Mrs. R. Divya, married on Friday, 8th May 2026 at our Church.
 - ◊ Mr. Ralph Mathew Jacob and Miss Rhea Vinu Thomas, married on Saturday, 16th May 2026 at St. Andrew's Church, Bangalore
- **Child Baptism:** Baby Christina Mahanand, D/o. Mr. Manish Mahanand and Mrs. Anisha Denis was baptized on Sunday, 3/5/2026.
- **Wednesday Online Bible Study & Area Fellowship Groups:** Will continue every Wednesday at 7 pm Online. We will continue the Bible study series on the book of Hosea. The Pastoral team will conduct the Bible studies. The details will be posted on our church whatsapp groups. Invite you all to participate and be blessed.
- **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. For details contact MYF President, Mr. Andrew Sam Lazarus at 8197418325.
- **Methodist Young Adults Fellowship (MYAF):** The Methodist Young Adults Fellowship meets on alternate Sundays immediately following the 9:30 am worship service. During the month of June, meetings will be held on the 14th and 28th. All young adults aged 26 - 39 years are warmly invited to attend and participate. Additionally, online prayer meetings are held every Thursday at 9:30 pm. For further details, please contact the MYAF President, Mr. Nikhil, at 8522985588.
- **Senior Citizens (Young at Heart) Fellowship:** Will meet on 4th Saturday, 27th June 2026 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 Chairperson, Committee on Social Concerns, Mrs. Vidya at 9036055543.
- **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**

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 May 2026.
- ⇒ 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 June 2026.
- ⇒ Our Hon'ble Bishop Dr. Anilkumar Servand, Rev. Mathew George, District Superintendent-Bangalore, and all the Pastors and leaders.
- ⇒ The ministry and families of our IMC Pastors - Rev. Paul K. Royappa, Rev. Andrew Arvind Samuel and Rev. Aron Preetham.
- ⇒ 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, Rev. John Wesley, Mrs. Emily Paulson, Mr. Solomon Sukumar, Mrs. Mary Anne George, Mrs. Evelyn, Mrs. Susan Chander and all sick people.

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

AREA WISE BIBLE STUDY FOR JUNE 2026

THEME: LOYALTY & GOD'S PROVIDENCE (RUTH 1:16-17; RUTH 4:17)

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE	AREA LEADER/ MOBILE/ AREA
Fri	12 Jun	7:00 PM	Mr. Collins & Mrs. Sheba Collins F24/139, Ground Floor Phase II, BDA MIG Flats, Domlur, 2nd Stage, Bangalore 560071	Mr. & Mrs. Josey V George 99801 59310/ 98804 30901 Cambridge Layout
Fri	12 Jun	7:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Ramu Naidupalli Srinidhi Royal, B-101, Srinivasa Reddy Layout, H M Krishna Reddy Road, AECS Layout 'A' block, Chinnappanahalli, Bangalore 560037	Mr. & Mrs. Abhishek Das 92431 04074 Marathahalli/ Whitefield
Fri	19 Jun	7:00 PM	Mr. Nelson & Mrs. Jini Deepa Lake View Madison G5, 9th Cross, Abbaiah Reddy Layout, Kaggadasapura, Bangalore	Mr. & Mrs. I Thomas 99455 97749 Basavanagar
Fri	26 Jun	6:30 PM	Mrs. Nalini #226, 1st floor, 3rd Main, Jagadish Nagar, Bangalore 560075	Mrs. & Mr. R. Selvakumar 94481 18143 Jagadish Nagar/ Malleshplaya
Fri	26 Jun	7:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Christopher # 223, 1st BC Cross, Kasthuri Nagar, Bangalore 560043	Mr. & Mrs. James Fran- cis 99002 09900 Kasturi Nagar/ Ramamurthy Nagar

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.
1	Mr. Chandra Sekhar .S	Old Airport Road	80888 34388
2	Dr. Gideon	Thippasandra/ L B Shastri Nagar	96202 15616
3	Mr. Mervin Ashley	Kothanur	99863 85572
4	Mr. & Mrs. Manoj Moses	Murugeshpalya	98451 76107

THE POWER BEHIND THE HYMN
IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

Written by **HORATIO SPAFFORD** Music composed by **PHILIP BLISS**

“When peace like a river...”

These lyrics hold a much deeper meaning when we know that it was written after a massive staggering tragedy. Read the story of faith behind “It is well with my soul”.

THE SHIPWRECK : A WATERY GRAVE

In November 1873, the luxury French ocean liner *SS Ville du Havre* collided with an iron-hulled British vessel. The ship ripped apart. It sank into the icy Atlantic in just 12 minutes. Horatio Spafford's four young daughters—Annie, Maggie, Bessie, and Tanetta—drowned. His wife, Anna, was found unconscious, floating on a piece of wreckage. When she reached land, she sent her husband a devastating, two-word telegram: "Saved alone."

WHEN SORROW MET SONG : SACREDNESS IN TEARS

Horatio immediately boarded a ship to reach his grieving wife. Days into the journey, the captain called Horatio to the bridge.

The captain pointed to the water and told him they were currently passing over the exact spot where his four daughters had drowned. Horatio returned to his cabin. Surrounded by the same sea that took his children, he did not write words of anger. Instead, he penned:

"When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll..."

THE BACKSTORY: FINANCIAL CATASTROPE

The shipwreck was actually the final blow in a brutal series of events.

- **The Son:** A year before, Horatio's four-year-old son died of scarlet fever
- **The Fortune:** Horatio was a wealthy Chicago real estate lawyer. The Great Chicago Fire of 1871 wiped out his entire life savings and investments.
- **The Trip:** The European vacation was meant to help his family heal from these traumas. Horatio stayed behind at the last minute to fix a zoning issue from the fire, promising to catch up with them.

THE FINAL IRONY : SORROW'S LAST SIGNATURE

Horatio survived the tragedy, and he and Anna later moved to Jerusalem to dedicate their lives to helping the poor. However, the tragedy of the song did not end with the Spaffords. Philip Bliss, the famous composer who wrote the beautiful, swelling music to match Horatio's lyrics, died just three years later. He and his wife were killed in a highly publicized train wreck when a bridge collapsed. Bliss survived the initial crash but died trying to pull his wife from the burning wreckage—leaving the hymn as a monument to tragedy for both of its creators.

CONCLUSION: " LEARNING TO SAY...IT IS WELL"

Out of the ashes of Chicago and the depths of the Atlantic, Horatio Spafford didn't write a tragedy—he wrote a lifeline. The third verse carries the deepest theological message that it's not only about surviving tragedy but also about deep Christian hope and surrender. 150 years later, a song born above an ocean grave remains humanity's ultimate anthem of resilience. We can't stop the storms, but we can choose where to anchor.

- CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & NURTURE COMMITTEE

Sunday School Corner

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & NURTURE COMMITTEE

Jesus Calms the Storm



Read Mark 4:35-41 and then

Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.

That day when evening came, he said to his _____, "Let us go over to the other side." Leaving the _____ behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the _____. There were also other boats with him. A furious squall came up, and the _____ broke over the boat, so that it was nearly _____. Jesus was in the stern, _____ on a cushion. The disciples _____ him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we _____?"

He got up, rebuked the _____ and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely _____.

Mark 4:35-39 (NIV)

boat	crowd	drown	swamped	wind
calm	disciples	sleeping	waves	woke

MEDICAL EMERGENCY SUPPORT

As announced earlier we have initiated Medical Emergency Support. This support is available **only for IMC members**. We have a team of members who will look into this.



The Medical Emergency Support team Members are as follows:

- **REV. PAUL ROYAPPA, SENIOR PASTOR**
- **MR. D. JEYASINGH**
- **MR. SATISH RAJKUMAR.**
- **MR. MANNA .K**

Those who are interested to join, kindly contact the Senior Pastor, Rev. Paul Royappa. Those who are facing any kind of emergency medical financial need can contact any of the above members. Your contribution towards this cause is a great source of support to needy people. We have already supported some of our members.

Also, we encourage you all to contribute toward this cause that will be of great help for those who are in need of emergency medical support. To contribute towards this cause below are our bank details -

Account Name:	Indiranagar Methodist Church
Account Number:	0399053000014868
Type of Account:	Savings
Bank Name:	South Indian Bank
Branch:	Indiranagar
IFSCCode:	SIBL0000399

Those who would like to contribute through cheque, you can write it in favour of **Indiranagar Methodist Church** and please mention behind the cheque this is for **Medical Emergency Support**.

While transacting, please mention that your contribution is for - **Medical Emergency Support** and you may write to us about your transaction to - **finance.imcblmci@gmail.com**. This will help us to account your contribution in the Medical Emergency Support.

WSCS CORNER

WORD FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2026

*God is with her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.*

PSALMS 46:5



1. PRICELESS PEARL - DEBORAH



- 1** A Woman of Wisdom – Deborah listened to God and led Israel with divine wisdom.
- 2** A Woman of Courage – She stepped up in a time of trouble and trusted God completely.
- 3** A Woman of Leadership – God used her to guide, judge, and inspire a nation.
- 4** A Woman of Faith – She declared victory before the battle began because she believed in God.
- 5** A Woman of Influence – Deborah empowered others and Barak followed her leadership.

2. HALF NIGHT PRAYER

5th June 2026



Let us gather in unity at the Half Night Prayer as we seek God's presence and stand together in one accord before the Lord.

- Time: 08:30 PM to 12:00 AM
- Venue: IMC Annexe
- Let us pray for our families, children, nation, and the world.

Your presence and prayers will make a difference.

3. OPEN ARMS IMC

12th June 2026



Open Arms IMC is an outreach initiative where we distribute tracks and share God's word to people walking in the streets.

- Time: 08:00 PM to 10:00 PM
- Venue: IMC
- Let's be His hands and feet, bringing hope, love, and encouragement to all we meet.

Let's spread God's love, one heart at a time.

For more details kindly Contact

Mrs Harshada (President)

Mrs Jesu Charles (Vice President) 9731569168

MEMORIZE THE BIBLE

07-Jun-2026

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. *Proverbs 3:5-6*

14-Jun-2026

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. *Romans 8:28*

21-Jun-2026

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. *Isaiah 55:8-9*

28-Jun-2026

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. *John 10:27-28*

THE LOST ENVELOPE

We were on the way home from a visit with family in another state when I found it. I was pumping gas when I noticed a dirty bulky envelope on the ground. I grabbed it, dirt and all and looked inside. To my surprise it contained five hundred rupees. Five hundred that someone had lost and who at that very moment was possibly furiously searching to find. I gave our phone number to the attendants at the gas station in case anyone came back looking for it. But no one ever called. Someone had that money and lost it. Earthly treasure is often like that. It can be lost, stolen. It can be lost in bad investments or even in a market over which we have no control.

But the heavenly treasure we have in Jesus a restored relationship with God and the promise of eternal life isn't like that we can't lose it out a gas station or anywhere else. That's why Christ told us to store up "treasures in heaven" Mt. 6:20. We do that when we become rich in good deeds or rich in faith loving helping others and sharing Jesus with them. As God leads and empowers us may we store up eternal treasure even as we anticipate our eternal future with Him. God thank you for everything you've given us on this earth our money, our homes, and more. Help us to hold them loosely while seeking to store up more eternal treasures.

- Mrs. Elsie Peter

THE ANCHOR OF GRACE: *FATHERS WHO REDEFINED LOVE*

Every June, Father's Day arrives with the familiar cadence of neckties, backyard barbecues, and cards celebrating the steady pillars of our families. But if we peel back the layers of traditional expectations, what does the heart of true fatherhood actually look like?

Throughout biblical history, fathers have faced unique family crisis. They have dealt with the agonizing grief of rebellion, the crushing weight of terminal illness followed by death, the terrifying chaos of a child's suffering, and the devastating sting of betrayal.

Their stories unveil a masterclass in fatherhood that stretches far beyond conventional duty. They show us that a father's truest strength is found not in a pristine, uncomplicated life, but in a relentless, humble, and fiercely protective love and dependence on our Heavenly Father.

1. THE FATHER OF THE PRODIGAL SON: THE SCANDAL OF OPEN ARMS (*Luke 15:11–32*)

In the ancient Near East, a son asking for his inheritance early was the cultural equivalent of telling his father, *"I wish you were dead."* Yet, when the youngest son returns home broken, bankrupt, and smelling of a pigsty, the father breaks every social norm of his era.

Instead of waiting on his porch to demand an apology or dictate terms of restitution, the father does something shocking for a patriarch of his stature: **he runs**. He hitches up his robes, exposes his ankles—a deeply undignified act for an elder in that culture—and races down the road to intercept his broken boy. Before the son can even finish his rehearsed speech of unworthiness, he is enveloped in an embrace, draped in the finest robe, and fully restored to sonship and protect him from throwing stones according to the Old Testament law.

The Father's Day Lesson: True fatherhood does not keep score. It holds a boundary, when necessary, but it always leaves the porch light on. It teaches us that a father's love is a safe harbour, always ready to outrun a child's deepest mistakes with overwhelming grace reflecting our heavenly Father's love.

2. JAIRUS: THE COURAGE OF HUMILITY (*Luke 8:40–56*)

Jairus was a man who had everything to lose. As a ruler of the synagogue, he was a pillar of religious society—highly respected, wealthy, and deeply embedded in the establishment. Yet, none of his titles, status, or influence could save his twelve-year-old daughter, who lay dying at home.

Driven by a father's desperation, Jairus did the unthinkable: he sought out Jesus, a controversial rabbi often at odds with the religious elite. When Jairus found Him, he didn't pull rank or make a formal

request. He fell flat at Jesus' feet, publicly begging for the life of his little girl. Even when messengers arrived with the crushing news that his daughter had died, Jairus chose to drown out the noise of despair and listen to Jesus' words: *"Don't be afraid; just believe."*

The Father's Day Lesson: Being a father means laying down your pride for the sake of your children. Jairus teaches modern dads that true leadership requires vulnerability. It means being willing to fall to your knees, seek help when you are out of options, and shield your family with an unshakeable shield of faith.

3. THE FATHER OF THE AFFLICTED BOY: FIERCE ADVOCACY IN THE DARK (Mark 9:14-29)

Perhaps the most raw and relatable father in scripture is the unnamed man whose son was violently afflicted by an evil spirit. For years, this father watched his boy suffer agonizing seizures, being thrown into fire and water, completely unable to protect him.

Exhausted, heartbroken, and running on empty, he brings his son to Jesus' disciples, only for them to fail to heal him. When Jesus finally arrives, the father cries out with an honesty that echoes through the centuries: *"If you can do anything, take pity on us and help us."* When Jesus responds that everything is possible for one who believes, the father utters the ultimate anthem of every struggling parent: *"I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"* He didn't pretend to have a perfect faith; he brought his honest, fragile exhaustion to Christ, and his raw honesty was met with a miracle.

The Father's Day Lesson: You don't have to have it all together to be a hero to your kids. This father shows us that dad's life is often messy and filled with questions. God does not demand that fathers be invincible; He simply asks them to show up, advocate fiercely for their children, and bring their raw realities to Him.

4. KING DAVID AND ABSALOM: LOVE BEYOND BETRAYAL (2 Samuel 15 through 2 Samuel 18)

The story of King David and his handsome, ambitious son Absalom is one of the most tragic narratives in the Old Testament, yet it reveals a profound dimension of a father's heart. Absalom systematically stole the hearts of the people of Israel and launched a full-scale, violent coup against his own father, forcing David to flee Jerusalem for his life.

Despite being hunted by his own flesh and blood, David's paternal instinct remained fiercely intact. As his army marched out to face Absalom's rebel forces, David gave a public, commanding order to his generals: *"Be gentle with the young man Absalom for my sake."* When the battle ended and word arrived that Absalom had been killed, David did not celebrate a military victory. Instead, the mighty king broke down weeping, crying out words that hit like a physical blow: *"O my son Absalom! My son, my son Absalom! If only I had died instead of you – O Absalom, my son, my son!"*

The Father’s Day Lesson: David’s grief reveals that a true father’s heart values relationship over vindication. Even when children distance themselves, rebel, or break our hearts, a father's love doesn't just evaporate. It endures through the pain, choosing to grieve the loss rather than celebrate the defeat of a wayward child.

THE ULTIMATE REFLECTION

This Father’s Day, let us look past the superficial standard of the world “perfect provider.” The greatest gift a father can give his family isn't flawless execution; it is the willingness to **run** toward his children in forgiveness, **fall** to his knees in humility before our Maker, **fight** for them in prayer through the darkest nights, and **endure** with a love that outlasts conflict.

To every father striving, hoping, forgiving, and advocating—Happy Father's Day. Your relentless love is a beautiful reflection of the Heavenly Father our world so desperately needs to see.

- Magdalene Daniel

ALTAR FLOWERS - MAY 2026

DATE	CONTRIBUTORS NAME	MESSAGE
10 th May	From Grandparents - Charles and Anuradha Chandran, and family	Birthday wishes to Michelle Joanna, on her 4th birthday, on May 11th. Thanking God for the wonderful blessing she is to the family.
17 th May	Mr. & Mrs. Anilkumar Rajkumar Nigam	In thanksgiving to God on the occasion of the birthdays of Mr. A R Nigam on 20 th May and Mrs. Jyotsna Nigam on 22 nd May.
	Ms. Indu	In thanksgiving to God for completing 60 years today, 17th May 2026.
	Dr. and Mrs. Ramesh Sankeshwar	In gratitude for the grace and blessings bestowed upon them on their 60th marriage anniversary, and wishing abundant health and happiness for the couple and all our IMC congregation families in the years to come.
24 th May	Daniel Wesley and Dr. Jerusha	Joyfully giving thanks to God as they celebrate their son Jireh Wesley's first birthday and Jerusha’s achievement of being awarded a PhD in Microbiology.

Bible Quest

1. It is an opportunity to learn God's Word.
2. Please send in your answers either typed or hand-written to the church office or via email: **office@imc.church**. **Please provide mobile number also.**
3. All answers must have the scripture reference from **NIV / KJV** as applicable.
4. Last date to send in your answers will be on or before the **12th of every month.**
5. Answers and the winners will be announced in the following month's Interact
6. The decision of the committee will be final.
7. Encouraging all to participate actively every month.
8. Special surprise for regular participation and winning.

ALL THE VERY BEST!

**:: ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE WORD / PHRASE QUOTING
BIBLE REFERENCES ::**

1. I am an agricultural tool used to separate the valuable food from the useless waste. John the Baptist warned the crowds that the Messiah was coming with me in His hand. He said the Messiah would use me to clear His threshing floor, gathering the wheat into his barn but burning the leftover waste with unquenchable fire. **What am I?**
2. In a famous parable about a rebellious young man, I represent absolute desperation and hitting rock bottom. I was the lowest, cheapest food available, meant only for farm animals. The hungry, penniless son longed to fill his empty stomach with me because no human being would give him anything else to eat. **What am I?**
3. I am an everyday item, but in a famous story, I became completely useless. I was filled with something brand new, but I couldn't handle the pressure. I burst wide open, causing a total mess, and everything inside me spilled out and was ruined. I am a lesson in why old and new don't always mix. **What am I?**

4. I lived a very long life, fasting and praying in the temple night and day. I never left the sacred grounds. When a young couple brought a tiny baby into the temple to fulfil the law, I immediately recognized who He was. I gave thanks to God and spoke about Him to everyone looking for redemption. **Who am I?**
5. I was doing my job in a sacred place when an unexpected visitor changed my life. Because I doubted the incredible news he brought me, my voice was completely taken away. I had to use a writing tablet just to name my own son. When he was born, my tongue was finally loosed to praise God. **Who am I?**
6. Answer the following questions in one or two words or phrase with Bible reference.
 - i. Which is exalted to heaven and brought down to Hades?
 - ii. How did Jesus return from the Jordan?
 - iii. What is the tribe of the prophetess Anna?
 - iv. What happens when one sinner repents?
 - v. Who will be humbled?
 - vi. What is the priestly division of Zechariah?
7. Who said to whom?
 - i. "One thing is needed..."
 - ii. "The Christ of God."
 - iii. "Young man, Arise."
 - iv. "Let's go to the other side of the lake."
 - v. "Man, your sins are forgiven."
8. According to Jesus' teaching on the Sabbath in Luke 6, what Old Testament figure and his companions did Jesus' reference to defend his disciples for plucking heads of grain?

WINNERS OF QUIZ 8 - MAY 2026

1. Ms. Angelin Sharon
2. Ms. Blessy Binny
3. Mr. Immanuel Samuel
4. Dr. Valuthi Varagunasingh
5. Mr.P.M Surendar



ANSWERS TO QUIZ 8 - MAY 2026

1. Identify the miracle with reference. The deaf and the Mute men (**Mark 7:31-37**).
2. Identify the parable with reference. The Parable of the Mustard Seed (**Mark 4:30-34**).
3. Identify the parable with reference. Parable of the Sower (**Mark 4:1-20**)
4. Whom am I? Simon of Cyrene — **Mark 15:21**
5. Whom am I? The Young Man in the Linen Cloth — **Mark 14:51-52**
6. i) At the ruler's house (Jairus' daughter): **Mark 5:37**.
ii) At the Transfiguration: **Mark 9: 2**
iii) To Gethsemane: **Mark 14:33**
7. Because they were like sheep without a shepherd (**Mark 6:34**).
8. The difference is Geography Jewish Territory: In **Mark 5:43** Gentile Territory: In **Mark 5:19-20** and not his ministry get bothered.

9. **Isaiah 6:9-10**

10. a. James and John — Zebedee
b. Bartimaeus — Timaeus
c. James — Alphaeus
d. Levi — Alphaeus
e. James — Mary
11. i. Capernaum (**Mark 2:1**) ii. Capernaum (In the Synagogue) (**Mark 1:21-23**) iii. Capernaum (In the Synagogue) (**Mark 3:1**) iv. Region of the Gerasenes (**Mark 5:1**)
12. Boanerges: Sons of Thunder (Mark 3:17)
 - a. Legion: For we are many (Mark 5:9).
 - b. Talitha Koum: Little girl, I say to you, get up (Mark 5:41).
 - c. Ephphatha: Be opened (Mark 7:34).
 - d. Golgotha: The Place of the Skull (Mark 15:22).



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Sermon Notes: Utilize this space for note-taking and contemplation

JUNE 07 - 'SURRENDER BRINGS GOD'S DIRECTION' - PROVERBS 3:5-6

JUNE 14 - 'CALLED TO GOD'S PURPOSE' - ROMANS 8:28-30

JUNE 21 - 'A CALL TO TRUST IN GOD'S TIMING AND PROCESS' - ISAIAH 55:8-11

JUNE 28 - 'RECOGNIZING GOD'S VOICE' - JOHN 10:25-30

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Pulpit Calendar - June 2026

Theme: "LEAD ME, LORD"

Sunday Services: 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 6:00 PM

07 June	SURRENDER BRINGS GOD'S DIRECTION
*7:00 AM	Rev. Andrew Samuel
*9:30 AM	Rev. Paul Royappa
*6:00 PM	Rev. Aron Preetham
14 June	CALLED TO GOD'S PURPOSE
7:00 AM	Rev. Aron Preetham
9:30 AM	Mr. Anand Pillai
6:00 PM	Rev. Andrew Samuel
21 June	A CALL TO TRUST IN GOD'S TIMING AND PROCESS
7:00 AM	Rev. Paul Royappa
9:30 AM	Rev. Andrew Samuel
*6:00 PM	Rev. Aron Preetham
28 June	RECOGNIZING GOD'S VOICE
7:00 AM	Rev. Andrew Samuel
9:30 AM	Rev. Aron Preetham
6:00 PM	Rev. Paul Royappa

** Holy Communion*

Dawn Communion Service will be held on
Wednesday, 1st July 2026 at 6:30 AM

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