

*Can we help you ?*

Pastors and Elders of Good News Church would be glad to pray with you and offer any spiritual counseling. Visits to the sick and hospitalized can also be arranged through Benita on ☎ 39871726

## *March & April at a glance*

### **Praise & Worship Service**

Every Friday, 3:30 pm at NEC, Fellowship Hall  
Communion Service – 2nd & 4th Friday of every month

### **Healing Service – 1st Friday of every month**

### **Children's Friday School**

Every Friday, 4:45 pm during Worship Service at NEC

### **Weekly Prayer Meeting**

Every Sunday, 7.30 pm

### **Home Group Meeting**

Every Thursday, for details contact: Benita Joseph 39871726

### **Ethiopian Church**

Sunday, 4.00 pm and Friday, 12:30 pm at NEC, Fellowship Hall

### **Eritrean Service**

For more details: Contact Ps. Shewandagne (39668204)

### **Hindi Gospel Meeting**

Every Friday, 4:45 pm

### **Night Watch**

First Thursday of every month, 8 pm

### **Resurrection Service**

Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

### **Bible Study: Today Hear His Voice**

Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm

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# *The Beacon*

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## *Set your sails to catch the wind*

When news of Lazarus' death reached Jesus (John 11), He said, "He's only sleeping". This is typical of many believers today... only sleeping.

We may have a reputation for being spiritually alive but we need to check if it's only a hollow profession, a form of godliness without any power. God's will for us is to live continuously in Revival.

### **What's Revival all about?**

*"Revival is an **extraordinary** work of the **Holy Spirit** producing extraordinary results. ... [It's] the re-entry of **Christ's manifest presence**."* - Owen Roberts

*"Revival is not some emotion or worked-up excitement; it is rather an **invasion from heaven** which brings a man to a conscious awareness of **God**."* - Stephen Olford

### **Jesus prayed for revival**

He prayed: *"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."* Our responsibility is to extend God's government on the earth, so that God's will shall be done on earth as it is done in heaven.

It's time for us to get revived... And revival will come when we get thirsty for God.

*For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring (Isaiah 44:3)*

Water is symbolic of the Holy Spirit. Water refreshes, cleanses and makes the earth fruitful. How thirsty are you for His rule and reign? How thirsty are you for His presence? **Are you ready to set your sails to catch the wind from heaven?**

**Biju Thomas**

## Margaret Walker's Testimony from the GNC Missions Trip



From the beginning to the end of the Missions Trip, the hand of the Lord masterfully orchestrated and designed it. Preparing for the trip by being on the 21 day fast, prayer and studying on Spiritual Warfare equipped me for the journey. Experiences revealed his love, grace, mercy, strength and favor in several areas. God exceeded expectations and I was in true awe of his revelations. He opened doors, easily facilitated the trip, and it was mind blowing!!!! It could have only been God, the things that were done.

From the welcoming hospitality to open hearts and homes, the love of God was shown throughout the trip. The country was beautiful from palm trees and parrots within the busy metropolitan city of Mumbai to the scenic hill stations in far areas. The food was bar none, delectable to any palate and truly exquisite. I will visit India again.

On the Missions Trip, the team experienced God's presence in the praise and worship and morning prayers. The teachings and testimonies resonated in my soul and it was as though I went through the encounter all over again. I felt a release, deliverance and joy. God set the team on a beautiful mountain, with cool weather, scrumptious food, welcoming host, spacious meeting halls, and great accommodations - now that was the favor of God.

In the lives of the participants, I observed God touch and transform the participants' lives before my eyes. Their hearts were open and receptive to the teachings and testimonies. One could see the hunger and desire they had for God. They grasped who He was, wanted more of Him; with sincere and genuine hearts, they received His unconditional love. God imparted gifts, deliverances, opened spiritual eyes and ears. The Spirit of the Lord moved in and upon them. There was an abiding presence of the Spirit in the meetings. The participants left with an inexpressible joy from God and renewed lives. Just as God has performed miracles throughout the Bible, He performed them in the meetings!!!

The Missions Trip was an incomparable experience that one must have in a lifetime. To observe a mighty move of God with miracles, signs and wonders in a quantified and impactful way as promised in His word was totally amazing. To see God's promises unraveled before your eyes, to see Him hasten to perform His word, to see Him arrayed in all His glory in one place in a short amount of time (as though it was suspended for a space in time), is worth experiencing His great commission of Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen"

## Learn From....

- Learn from a candle - To give light in darkness
- Learn from the birds - To sing and praise at all times
- Learn from the ants - To work and not to be lazy
- Learn from a child - To trust and be happy
- Learn from a rose - To be beautiful even amidst thorns
- Learn from the mountain - To stand strong against the storms
- Learn from a caterpillar - To become a butterfly after the struggle
- Learn from the stars - To shine, smile and twinkle
- Learn from the fishes - To swim against the stormy water
- Learn from the clay - To yield to the Potter
- Learn from the trees - To give shelter to the weary
- Learn from Jesus - To give the Father all the GLORY!!!

## Humor

This minister just had all of his remaining teeth pulled and new dentures were being made.

The first Sunday, he only preached 10 minutes.

The second Sunday, he preached only 20 minutes.

But, on the third Sunday, he preached 1 hour 25 minutes.

When asked about this by some of the congregation, he responded this way.

The first Sunday, my gums were so sore it hurt to talk.

The second Sunday, my dentures were hurting a lot.

The third Sunday, I accidentally grabbed my wife's dentures...and I couldn't stop talking!

A man stopped by the local church to talk to the Pastor. He told the Pastor "I stole a turkey this morning on my way home from work". The Pastor told him "That was a terribly thing to do". The man replied "Yes, I know that now, do you want it?" The Pastor replied "No, take it back and give it to the man that you stole it from." The man replied "I tried to give it back but he refused it". The Pastor told him "In that case you keep the turkey". The man thanked the Pastor and went on his way. When the Pastor arrived home later that day he discovered that his turkey had been stolen!