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### **THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Greetings to you all in the Resurrected name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

#### **KNOWLEDGE OF GOD IS TRUE WISDOM**

Jesus Christ brought into the world the full knowledge of God to all walks of life through his teachings and miracles. His teachings are good enough for ordinary people to acquire knowledge of God in order to be wise.

Many have experienced their source of wisdom while encountering Christ's teaching. Zaccheus, the tax collector gained wisdom from Jesus on how to earn money without doing injustice and made a commitment to him saying: Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possession to the poor and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount" (Luke 19:8).

There is clear evidence how Christ's teaching brings wisdom to the common man. Our knowledge of God and the wisdom we draw from it helps us to design our life style. The present education in schools and colleges aim only to earn degrees and how to earn money with that, without paving ways to acquire wisdom on how to spend save and share the money earned.

In the words of Walt Whitman, *Wisdom is not finally tested by the schools; wisdom cannot be passed from one having it to another not having*

***Wisdom is of the soul, is not susceptible of proof, is its own.***

In order to gain wisdom which helps us to design our life, we must not only depend on education but something more relevant where lifestyle taught is very essential and here the Word of God comes as a source for our need.

#### **KNOWLEDGE OF GOD GAINS WISDOM:**

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding (Proverbs 3:5)*

‘Knowledge’ as defined in the Oxford dictionary is the information and skills gained through experience or education, and wisdom means the quality of being wise.

It is very important to note how the Bible educates us. Trusting in the Lord is the education. We are taught that trusting God enables us to gain wisdom which will make our paths straight. Similar teaching is also emphasized by the Psalmist (Psalm 119:105). Here we are called to understand how our knowledge of God gains wisdom to design our path.

If our path is straight our health and wealth will be in accordance with the Biblical understanding. It is very vital to trust in the Lord to gain wisdom.

***“Wisdom is the ability to use knowledge to meet successfully the emergencies of life. Men may acquire knowledge, but wisdom is God’s gift.” Dr. Bob Jones***

#### **KNOWLEDGE OF GOD GRANTS HEALTH:**

*Do not be wise in your own eyes, fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones (Prov. 3:7 & 8)*

This teaching calls for absolute dependence on the guidance of God in

our daily life. Many times we are wrong in our decision-making as we depend solely on our self-righteous approach without considering other factors involved in an issue. Fear the Lord and shun evil is the education given here. This is the knowledge of God and if we obey this teaching, we will be healthy and free from any sickness.

It is more on precautions preventive approach than on the part of cure to the disease. God wants us to save ourselves without becoming sick. We need to identify that which is evil and how it approaches us. To differentiate evil and good we need to acquire wisdom which we gain through the knowledge of God.

There are a lot of discussions around the world on the awareness of health, health education, health policies and health insurances due to health hazards and the emergence of new curable and incurable diseases. But God helps us prevent sickness with the wisdom gained through His Word.

***The function of wisdom is to discriminating between good and evil. Cicero.***

#### **KNOWLEDGE OF GOD GIVES WEALTH:**

*Honour the Lord with your wealth with the first fruits of all your crops, that your barns will be filled to overflowing and your vats will brim over with new wine (Prov. 3:9 & 10)*

Educational institutions worldwide promise good future to the students who wish to pursue education in their universities in terms of job and salary but they seldom talk about creating good citizens for the future society.

Education, job and money are highlighted; but Bible matters to humans.

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## **THE CHRISTIAN FATHER**

The Bible tells us, “*All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness*” (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

A Christian father’s first and greatest responsibility is to acquaint his children with God through Scripture. This is very important because what children learn about God will put them in good standing throughout their lives, no matter what they do and where they go.

God uses the fathers as an instrument for instruction and discipline, in which God commands and administers.

The Bible teaches fathers. “Fathers, do not exasperate your children, instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord” (Ephesians 6:4).

A wise father seeks to make obedience desirable and attainable by love and gentleness. We know from history that the father was to be diligent in instructing children in the ways and words of the Lord for their own spiritual development and well-being. The father who was obedient to the commands of Scripture did just that.

Proverbs 22:6 says, “Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.” To “train” indicates the primary teaching the father and mother give the child. This training is created in a way to make clear to children the life they are intended for, a life of great importance.

The truth is, it isn’t easy to be a good father. However, there are a few principles that can help. Successful Christian fathers have found that he and his family benefit when he follows Biblical wisdom.

Here are five principles for Christian fathers to live by:

### ***I. MAKE TIME FOR THEIR FAMILY:***

A good Christian father makes time for his family and anchors them in Christ. He provides for the needs of his family. No other teacher can affect a child as much as their parents. It is important that fathers teach their children both by their example and their words.

A Christian father not only meets the physical needs of his family, but also the emotional needs as well. The family turns to him as a support in all areas of need and he provides as best he can.

### ***II LOVE AND RESPECT THEIR WIVES***

A Christian father loves and respects his wife. He serves as an example to his children of what a loving relationship looks like so that they may also reflect it in their lives, particularly when it comes to their marriages.

When a man enters into a covenant relationship with his bride, he commits to the responsibilities of loving, honoring and cherishing her. The strength a Christian husband needs in order to carry out these responsibilities flows out of his relationship with God. This requires dependence on God’s Spirit.

The beautiful thing is we have the assurance that “nothing is impossible with God” (Luke 1:37). A Christian father should ask God to empower him so that they can give their children not just an inheritance, but a heritage. They ultimately give their wife what she needs most – to be loved, honored and cherished.

### ***III LOVE DISCIPLINE AND COMMENDATION***

The Bible tells us, “You fathers, do not be exasperating your children, so that they do not become downhearted.” (Colossians 3:21). A Christian father



## **YOUTH FORUM**

Youth Fellowship is an important part of any Christian Community. Shaping the young minds in the mould of God's word and remaining faithful to the unchanging message of the Gospel has always been challenging.

It is quite a task for the youth to assemble together due to each one's busy schedule and commitments; but in the past few months, our church has seen a good number of youth taking part in the Youth Fellowship. This has only been possible due the collective efforts of the Church PC members and the youth. There have been some really great topics that have been addressed in the Youth Fellowship which are very much relevant in today's context.

Not only did I get the opportunity to learn God's word and His wonderful love to me, but also I got to socialize with others and have a meaningful conversation with them. This has increased my confidence as well as brought me closer to God. The group activities, games and youth retreats that are organized was the cherry on top, which made participation having fun while learning. I will forever be thankful for the addition of a new dimension to my personality.

**FLORENCE JOSEPH**

I have the good fortune of attending both the Sunday School as well as the Youth Fellowship in this church. I am thankful to all the members who took interest in gathering the youth together and forming the Youth Fellowship. Their continuous efforts in organizing various activities and retreats for the youth has only increased my interest in the youth meetings.

The Youth Fellowship has not only seen good number of youth turning out for the meetings, but is also developing leadership qualities. We are seeing some budding preachers and listening to them preach and share the word of God has brought me closer to God and His unending love.

My experience so far has been fruitful and I will be looking forward to many such experiences in the future by the grace of God.

**RACHEL JOSEPH**

## **Youth Bible Study**

It's our God-given privilege to be part of Youth Fellowship where we are learning some of the truths from the Bible together. In this fellowship we learn how to do personal Bible study based on Campus Crusade material. Bible study can be compared to taking an extended road trip. If you travel by automobile across the country, you need to develop driving skills and habits that will enable you to reach your destination safely. Some of these skills you probably do automatically, such as fastening your seat belt or adjusting your mirrors. Others, such as making sure your vehicle is in good shape, may require more planning and thought. While you drive, you also use certain skills, such as glancing in your rearview mirror and following road signs. Similarly, we also need to adopt good habits and skills in Bible study. I suggest the following patterns as part of your Bible study regimen. Some may require effort on your part; others may be easy to implement.

\* Begin with prayer. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you an understanding of God's Word and the power to apply its principles to your everyday life.

\* Keep a Bible study notebook at your desk or on your laptop — and use it!

- \* Read the text slowly and carefully, then reread and take notes.
- \* End your time in prayer, thanking God for what you have learned.
- \* Obey commands and follow instructions from God's Word. Strive to be a doer of the Word and not just a hearer (James 1:22–25) through the power of the Holy Spirit. No matter how much you know about God's Word, if you do not apply what you learn, you will be wasting your time.

### I. OBSERVATION:

In this step you observe and find out what the passage says. You may read the passage several times or you can write out the passage concentrating on "what does the passage **says**."

### II. INTERPRETATION:

The second step involves the question "what does this passage **mean**?" Ask: what does it say about God and man?

### III. APPLICATION:

In this step you ask the questions "How does this passage **apply** to my life?"

You may ask the following questions:

Is there a command to obey?

Is there a promise to claim?

Is there a sin to confess?

Is there an attitude to change?

Is there an example to follow?

To make this study plan easier, just remember three key words: **Say, Mean, Apply,**

(Source from Campus Crusade)

*Franklin Benjamin*

# ALMANAC FOR JUNE 2020

| Date/Day/Time                  | Nature of Service                                                                                                                                       | Lessons                                                                     | Reader                                                                                                                 | Preacher                          |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 05 Fri 6:30 pm                 | <b>CHURCH ANNIVERSARY</b><br>H C Service<br><b>Celebrating 123 years of God's Goodness</b>                                                              | I Kings 8 : 22-30<br>I Corinthians 3 : 9-17<br>Psalm 84<br>Mathew 16: 13-20 | <b>PC MEMBERS</b>                                                                                                      | Parish Priest                     |
| 07 Sun. 7.30 am<br><br>6.30 pm | <b>1st Sunday After Pentecost</b><br><b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b><br>H.C. Service:<br><b>We Believe in Triune God</b><br>Evensong                              | Ezekiel 1: 4-28<br>2 Cor 13: 11- 14<br>Psalm 98<br>Mathew 28:16-20          | Mr. Franklin Benjamin<br>Mrs Jayashree John<br>Mr Jason Nikhil Kamal<br><b>Elements</b><br><b>Mr &amp; Mrs N. Pink</b> | Parish Priest                     |
| 11 Thu                         | <b>Barnabas, Apostle</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>Job 29:7-16</b>                                                          | <b>Acts 11: 19-26, 13: 1-3</b>                                                                                         | <b>Matt 5:13-16</b>               |
| 14 Sun 7:30 am<br><br>6.30 pm  | <b>2nd Sunday After Pentecost</b><br><b>ENVIRONMENT SUNDAY</b><br>H C Service<br><b>Creation Groans for Liberation</b><br>Evensong                      | Ezekiel 36:24-36<br>Romans. 8:18-25<br>Psalm 29<br>John 20:19-23            | Dr. Pushpa Gokavi<br>Mrs Rachel Francis<br>Mr G. J. Devadass<br><b>Elements</b><br><b>Mr. &amp; Mrs John Suresh</b>    | Parish Priest                     |
| 21 Sun. 7.30 am<br><br>6.30 pm | <b>3rd Sunday After Pentecost</b><br><b>FATHER'S DAY</b><br>H C Service<br><b>Worship: Celebration of People's Faith</b><br><b>PRAISE &amp; WORSHIP</b> | Isaiah 6: 1-8<br>Psalm 148<br>Revelation 4: 1-11<br>John 4: 16-26           | <b>FATHERS</b>                                                                                                         | Parish Priest<br><br><b>YOUTH</b> |
| 24 Wed                         | <b>St. John the Baptist</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>Malachi 3:1-5</b>                                                        | <b>Revelation 3: 14-22</b>                                                                                             |                                   |
| 28 Sun. 7.30 am<br><br>6.30 pm | <b>4th Sunday After Pentecost</b><br>H.C. Service<br><b>Discipleship as Witness</b><br>Evensong:                                                        | 2 Kings 2: 1-15<br>Titus 2: 1-15<br>Psalm 119: 33-48<br>John 3: 22-30       | Mr Solomon Alice<br>Mr Noel Chelli<br>Mrs Beena Soans<br><b>Elements</b><br><b>Mr &amp; Mrs Nelson James</b>           | Parish Priest                     |
| 29 Mon                         | <b>Peter, Apostle and Martyr</b>                                                                                                                        | <b>Jeremiah 16:16-21</b>                                                    | <b>Acts 4:32-37</b>                                                                                                    | <b>Mark 8: 1-10</b>               |
| 30 Tue                         | <b>Paul and the Twelve Apostles</b>                                                                                                                     | <b>Jeremiah 23: 1-4</b>                                                     | <b>Galatians 2:1-10</b>                                                                                                | <b>Matthew 20:25-28</b>           |

# BIRTHDAYS

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|----|------------------------|----|-------------------------|
| 1  | Mr. Mahendra Kumar     | 13 | Dr. (Mrs) Pushpa Gokavi |
| 1  | Mrs. Smitha Sudhan Raj | 15 | Mrs. Rajeshwari Rao     |
| 2  | Mr. Nicholas Pink      | 15 | Mrs. Sylvia A. Joseph   |
| 4  | Mr. Jason Nikhil Kamal | 16 | Mrs. Nerolin John       |
| 5  | Miss Nisha Mary Joseph | 17 | Mrs. Rachel Francis     |
| 6  | Mr. John Suresh Kumar  | 21 | Mr. G.J. Devadass       |
| 8  | Mr. Franklin Benjamin  | 21 | Miss Kirthana John      |
| 10 | Mr. Abishek Mahendra   | 24 | Mrs. Elizabeth Abraham  |
| 11 | Mrs. Annamma Thomas    | 25 | Mr. Eric Samuel         |
| 11 | Mrs. Lynn R. Lawrence  | 27 | Mr. Nelson R. James     |
| 12 | Baby Bryan Augustine   | 27 | Mr. Sachin Rajan        |

*Wishing You a Birthday filled with Happiness and a Year filled with Joy.*

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

|   |                              |    |                            |
|---|------------------------------|----|----------------------------|
| 1 | Mr. & Mrs. John Suresh Kumar | 5  | Mr. & Mrs. Samuel L. Patil |
| 1 | Mr. & Mrs. Ashish Johnson    | 17 | Mr. & Mrs. R.L. Nelthropp  |
| 5 | Mr. & Mrs. Abishai Joseph    |    |                            |

*Wish You both endless Happiness, Joy and Love on your Anniversary and always*



## FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR JUNE 2020

05/06/2020 CHURCH

07/06/2020 Mr & Mrs. Nicholas Pink & family

14/06/2020 Mr & Mrs. Ashish Johnson & family

21/06/2020 Mr Samuel Eric & family

28/06/2020 Mrs. Nayana John & family

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If Jesus, the strong Son of God, felt it necessary to rise before the breaking of the day to pour out His heart to God in prayer, how much more ought you to pray unto Him who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and who has promised all things necessary for our good.

What Jesus gathered into His life from prayers we can never know, but this we do know, that the prayerless life is a powerless life. A prayerless life may be a noisy life, and fuss around a great deal; but such a life is far removed from Him who, by day and night, prayed to God.

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## ONLINE SPEAKERS IN MAY 2020



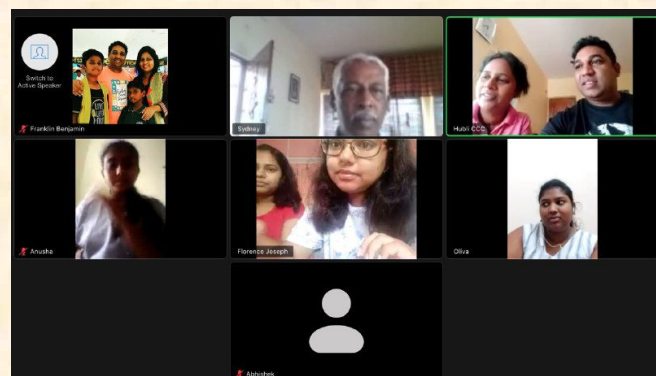
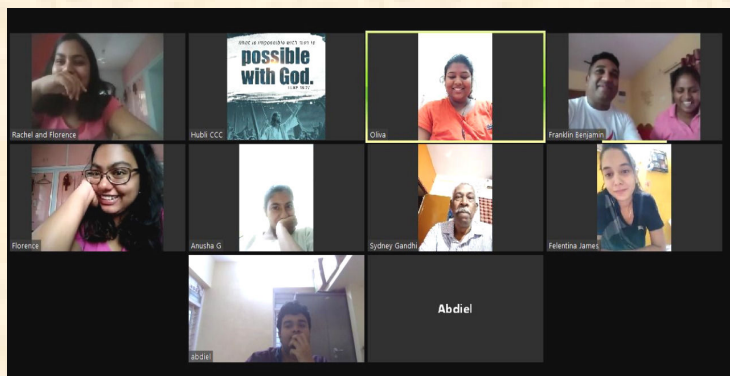
**Pastor Soans**



**Pastor Stanley**



**Pastor Prabhakar**



**Youth Fellowship via Zoom App**



The family of Jerold Thomas is blessed with the birth of their grandson on the 26th of April.2020. We congratulate the proud parents, Ronson and Jessy and also the grandparents and Jerold and Gladis Thomas. Thank God for the safe delivery and pray for the health of the mother and baby.

## NEWS

**\*CHURCH ANNIVERSARY:** The 123<sup>rd</sup> Church Anniversary will be observed on June 5. An online Church Service will be held at 6:30 pm

**\*FATHERS DAY:** Fathers Day will be celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> June. Online Sunday Service will be held at 7:30 am in the event of lock down not being lifted.

**\*SUBSCRIPTION/TITHES/OFFERING:** Due to the lock down we were not able to collect your tithes/offerings/subscription pledges. The PC in its meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> May decided that members may deposit their tithes/offerings/pledges directly into the account as per the details given below.

AC Name: St. Andrew's Church Pastorate Fund. AC # 10466986699

IFSC: SBIN0000846. STATE BANK OF INDIA HUBLI, MAIN BRANCH

Members depositing amount into the bank directly **MUST AND SHOULD GIVE DETAILS OF THE DEPOSIT** and to which account the amount should be taken (whether as Thank Offering or Monthly Pledge/Subscription by Whatsapp message to the treasurer, Mr Sydney Gandhi mob # 8970913186. Failure to do give details, the amount cannot be receipted.

Members can also hand over their offerings/pledges/tithes to the Treasurer or Pastor with details in writing.