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## *Jubilee Voice*

Jubilee Malayalam Church (CNI)



*Parish Messenger*

### *Thought for the month*

*Remember: "I will uphold you with My righteous right hand."*

*Isaiah 41:10*

## JUBILEE MALAYALAM CHURCH

**Register Number: E 8750**

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### Programmes

**April 3:** HC service in Sanpada at 7am and in Panvel at 11 am respectively.

**April 5:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30pm in Sanpada Church

**April 8:** Cottage prayer meeting at the residence of Mr. Solomon Samuel Samuel, Kharghar at 7.30pm

April 9: Women's Fellowship Meeting at 5pm at Sanpada Jubilee Church

**April 10:** Matins service in Sanpada at 7am and in Panvel at 11 am respectively

**April 10:** Church Committee Meeting at Sanpada at 9.30 a.m

**April 12:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30pm in Sanpada Church

**April 17:** HC service in Sanpada at 7am and in Panvel at 11 am respectively.

**April 19:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30pm in Sanpada Church

**April 23:** Quartet Competition led by Youth Movement

**April 24:** HC service in English in Sanpada at 7am and in Panvel at 11 am respectively

**April 26:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30pm in Sanpada Church

**Motto for the year 2016**

**"Let us love one another, for Love comes from God."**

**I John 4:7**

## Message from the Presbyter

**Dear Beloved- in- Christ,**

“Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ”.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Colo.3:1)

Human values are being diminished. Respect to fellow beings, relationship within the family life, maturity in Spirituality are lacking. Science and technology has developed the world a lot but the attitude of humans to their fellow beings and towards God is not developed as much as St. Paul has considered. He not only urges the Colossian Christians but also to us that we should not be deceived by vain philosophies, legalistic rules, and worldly practices.

### **New Set of Values**

St. Paul here, was not criticizing the world. The earthly things, “things upon the earth” to be avoided are moral, not physical. Paul in his theological thought tries to give us a new set of life. For him **Giving** above getting, **Serving** above ruling, **Forgiving** above avenging are important. The Christian standard of values will be God’s, not human’s. Since believers have not only died with Christ but have also been raised with Christ ( Rom.6:8-10; Col.2:12-13), they should set their hearts on things above. That is, believers’ lives should be dominated by the pattern of heaven, bringing heavenly direction to their earthly duties. “Set” means to ‘Seek or strive for earnestly’. Fixing their attention decisively toward things above involves centering their lives on the ascended glorified Christ, who is seated at the right hand of God. Here in this passage, two meanings are there in the word ‘set’ which is **striving** and **concentrating**. But today are we really ‘setting’ our hearts and minds to Christ.

In Mathew 7:7-12, we can see ‘ask, seek and knock’. But what we are asking for? What we are seeking for? Where we are knocking for? We are running behind Churches, fellowship groups, prayer cells, Bible classes, and convention centers. But what about our attitude in sharing, caring, giving, risk taking, respecting etc? By knowing something from the bible and hymns, are

we pretending that we are higher-level people? Are we considering others inhuman or unworthy to mingle with? Are we, the only chosen one in this earth having lot of talents? In order to avoid all sorts of false assumptions and wrong insights we should raise our eyes to the lord of Love. The life in this world will be better if it is lived by a power beyond this world, the power of the resurrected, ascended, glorified Christ. That is the reason, Paul, in I Corinthians 13:1-13 states the excellent way of life, the love. In order to reach the fullness of life we have to receive his grace, which is stated in John 1:16 'From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another'.

As a believing community, shall we seek spiritual values (col.3:14), put off the sins of the old life (Col.3:5-11) and put on the virtues of the new life (Col 3:12-17). This in turn should affect the relationships with one another (Col 3:18-4:1). What are the challenges set before us? Are we avoiding the crying voices, begging hands and bowing figures before us? Shall we set out hearts and minds on things above and receive the blessing to sit with Christ in His throne (Rev. 20:4).

May God Bless you.

With love and prayers,

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## **News & Notes**

### **Previous Month Highlight**

#### **Obituary:**

Mr. Prashant(25) care taker of Jubilee Church, Sanpada, passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> March, Wednesday at 6.30pm due to heart attack. He was a good servant of God who was always in smiling face and did his service without complaining. At any time, anybody from the church could approach him for help and assistance. He was like a dear member and it is a great loss to the Jubilee Church family. Heartfelt condolence to his family in his sudden demise. Please remember the bereaved family in your prayers and it is our duty to support his family financially and spiritually.

#### **Women's Sunday**

Women's Sunday was observed on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2016, at 3pm at Sanpada Jubilee Malayalam Church. We got Rs.62000/- from the Vanchika cover collection. The money was distributed to support two mission fields, Andhra Mission (Rs. 40000 for Nirmala School, water facility) and to the Malayora Mission - VBS ministries (Rs. 22000). Thanks to all for their good support and all the efforts, you have taken. I appreciate the WF Secretary, Mrs.Sera Bibi Cherian and all the co ordinators for their good work.

#### **New Hymn Books**

Mr.Thomas George, Airoli and Mr. John Joseph, Vashi sponsored new Hymns, Lyrics and Common worship Books. Thanks to their contribution.

## Present Month Programs

**Atmaya Fellowship Meeting:** Atmaya fellowship meetings will be held on all Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in Church. Bible study based on Romans.

### **Women's Fellowship Meeting:**

Women's fellowship meeting will be conducted on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April, at 5pm at Sanpada Church.

### **Dwani:**

Quartet competition for all Christian churches in Mumbai will be conducted at Jubilee Church, Sanpada, on 23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 2016 from 9am onwards which is organized by our Youth Movement. Please do support and encourage this venture.

### **Notice:**

Presbyter-in-charge will be leaving to Kerala from 25<sup>th</sup> April to May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 23<sup>rd</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. Two Sundays 01-05-2016 and 29-05-2016 will be looked after by Rev. N. C. David. For further pastoral assistance, you can avail Rev. Dilip Davidson of Chembur Church or Rev. Levin Koshy of Kalyan Church.

### **New Members:**

1. Mr. Prashanth V. Thomas and Mrs. Tinu Sara Thankachan  
Flat No. 302, Tulsi Sarovar Building Plot No.70, Sector 34, Kamothe, Navi Mumbai.
2. Mr. Sudheip Samuel Alex  
BI, No.12, Air India Colony, Plot No.24, Sector-27, Nerul East, Navi Mumbai-400706
3. Mr. Roy Koshy Philip & Mrs. Sheena Ann Mammen  
Flat No. 405, EIL Housing Complex, Sector-17, Plot 65, Vashi, Navi Mumbai-400703/

Hearty welcome to our Church. May God help you to enjoy the greater fellowship.

### **New Arrival:**

A baby boy was born to Mr. Hans Thomas and Mrs. Beena Hans on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2016

Congratulations to the new proud parents and praise God for his blessings

### **North India Family & Youth Conference:**

11<sup>th</sup> North India Family and Youth Conference and Silver Jubilee Celebrations of St. James CSI Church Bhopal will be held from 6<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 at Pastoral centre, Bhopal

Arch Diocese, Asha Niketan, Bhopal. Theme of the Conference is "Do Through Christ". Main Speakers will be Rev. Dr. Mathew Varkey, Vicar, Christ Church, Trivandrum, Mr. John K. John (Mumbai) and Mr. Jacob P. Elias, Director, CEF, Delhi. Registration fee (per person) Rs.200, Delegate Fee, per couple Rs.2,500, Single delegate Rs.1500 and students Rs.750. I request the members to attend the meetings.

## **Prayer Requests**

1. Mr. Ashok Abraham-9892386920 (for good health)
2. Mrs. Suja Thomas -9820866250(for good health)
3. Mr. Abrham Mathan (for good health)
4. Mr. John P. Mathew- 9820456808 (for good health)
5. Mr. John Thomas -9867886398 (for good health)
6. Mother of Mr. W. J. Mathai (022-27703681) for happy and peaceful old age.
7. Mother of Mr. Sudeep Philips (Mob: 8879640355). She is undergoing dialysis.
8. Pray for the wife of Bishop Joshua, staying in Borivalli. She is undergoing treatment for cancer.
9. Mrs. Mariam G. Thomas-9820582184 (for good health)
10. Mr. Shyam Gorath & family, our missionary in Akhloli Village

### **SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR MARCH 2016**

3<sup>rd</sup> April: Sunday after Easter

Theme: Thanksgiving that the Word of God took our human nature through Mary

Isaiah 7:10-14

Ps.72

Galatians.4:1-7

Luke 1:26-38

10<sup>th</sup> April: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Theme: Witnesses to Christ's Resurrection

Numbers:18-1-7

Ps.126

Acts 3:11-18

John 21 :1-14

17<sup>th</sup> April: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Theme: The Good Shepherd

I Samuel 17:34-37

Ps.23

Acts 9:32-43

John 10:22-30

24<sup>th</sup> April: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter

Theme: our redemption is completed through life in union with Christ.

Proverbs.15:28-33

Ps.96

Rev.21:22-27

John 15:1-11

### SCRIPTURE READING NAMES- SANPADA

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
03.04.16	Mr. Biju George	Mrs.Anila Jowin	Mrs. Betsy Mathews
10.04.16	Mr. David James	Mrs. SeraBibiCherian	Mr. Shaji Thomas
17.04.16	Mr. K.O.John	Ms.Sharon John	Mrs.Sosa Kurien
24.04.16	Mr. Abraham Paulose	Mrs.Shobha Shaji	Ms. Neha Varghese

DATE	PEACE	ELEMENTS
03.04.16	Mr.&Mrs.Roshan James	Mr.&Mrs.Saji C.Thomas
17.04.16	Mr.&Mrs.Yesudas.M.M	Mr.&Mrs. Joseph Philip
24.04.16	Mr. & Mrs. Oommen George	Mr. & Mrs. Hans Thomas V.

### OFFERTORY

03.04.16 Mr. Reuben Kurien;  
10.04.16 Mr. Reuben Kurien;  
17.04.16 Mr. Reuben Kurien;  
24.04.16 Mr. Reuben Kurien;

## SCRIPTURE READING NAMES – PANVEL

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
03.04.16	Mr.Babu.K	Mrs.Shiny Sabu	Ms.Steffy John
10.04.16	Mr.Issac.T.C	Mrs.Sheena Johnson	Mrs.Tinu Prashanth
17.04.16	Mr.Gabriel Johnson	Mrs.Susan Samuel	Mrs. Shiney Sam
24.04.16	Mr.A.C. Jacob	Ms.Biji Babu	Mr.Joel Issac John

DATE	PEACE	ELEMENTS
03.04.16	Mr.&Mrs.JohnThomas	Mr & Mrs. Ashok Abrham
17.04.16	Mr. & Mrs. Simon Philip	Mr. & Mrs.Babu K.
24.04.16	Mr. & Mrs. K.K. Johnson	Mr. & Mrs.Gabriel Johnson

## BIRTHDAY

### APRIL

2-Apr Mrs. Mariamma Abraham	Vashi
4-Apr Mast. Nathan Abraham Oommen	Thane
5-Apr Mr. W. J. Mathai	Nerul
10-Apr Mrs. Amritha T.P.	CBD Belapur
12-Apr Mrs. Betsy Mathews	Kharghar
13-Apr Mr. Shaji Thomas	Vashi
13-Apr Mrs. Shiney Sam	Kamothe
18-Apr Mr. Reuben Kurian	Nerul
20-Apr Master. Ryan Philip Mathew	Sanpada
22-Apr Mast. Eethan Jacob George	Nerul
24-Apr Mr. Abraham Paulose	Sanpada
28-Apr Mast. Jose Nathan Cherian	Nerul
30-Apr Ms. Neha Varghese	Kharghar
30-Apr Mrs. Ajitha Kurian	Thane
30-Apr Mr. Joseph Philip	Sanpada

### APRIL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

12-Apr Mr. & Mrs. Oommen George	Nerul
17-Apr Mr. & Mrs. Joju John K.	Sanpada
22-Apr Mr. & Mrs. Hans Thomas V.	Airoli



# Children's Corner

## **The Test of your Bible Knowledge (Below 15 years shall participate)**

1. Who was the man buried by God Himself?
2. Which was the place given to Jacob and his family when they arrived in Egypt?
3. Which was the first place in Canaan, where Abraham entered?
4. Who were the only two men above twenty years old that entered the Promised Land?
5. Where was the school of the sons of the prophets during the time of Elijah?
6. Whom did God appoint to guard the garden of Eden after Adam and Eve sinned?
7. Name the first Feast Jehovah commemorated for the children of Israel?
8. In whose time did the sun and the moon stand steady without moving forward?
9. Which prophet in the O.T prophesied the birth place of Jesus?
10. Name the captain who burnt the house of the Lord and broke down the walls of Jerusalem?

The first sent answers to the above questions will get the prize. The answers shall be given with references and email it to the presbyter by mentioning your name and age. On the other hand, you can give it personally in writing. The email id is given below:

[presbyter.sanpadajmc@gmail.com](mailto:presbyter.sanpadajmc@gmail.com)

## **Congratulations.....**

Last month's winners: Miss. Sanaya Shaji, Master.Dan George, Miss. Aneeta Paul, Miss. Aleena Mariam Philip & Miss. Aleesha Anna Philip.

## **Last month's Answers**

1. Caiaphas, John 11:50
2. Jesus to the women who followed moaning and lamenting as He was being led to be crucified. Luke 23:28
3. A rich man, a disciple of Jesus, called Joseph from Arimathea. Matthew 27:57-59
4. Joseph of Arimathea, Mary Magdalene and other Mary . Matthew 27:61
5. Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, Salome and others with them told the apostles the news. Luke 24:10 & Mark 16:1-8
6. Cleopas to Jesus. Luke 24:13-18
7. The two men in shinning garments to the women. Luke 24:5
8. Aaron, Moses and Miriam. Numbers 26:59
9. Nimrod, Gen.10:9-11
10. Abram, the Hebrew. Gen. 14:13

## Important events in Christian History

	Year	Event
81.	A.D. 1793	William Carey sails for India
82.	A.D. 1799	The formation of CMS at England
83.	A.D. 1807	The British Parliament votes to abolish the slave trade
84.	A.D. 1811	The Campbells Begin the Disciples of Christ
85.	A.D. 1812	Adoniram and Ann Judson Sail for India
86.	A.D. 1816	Richard Allen founds African Methodist Episcopal Church
87.	A.D. 1816	<b>First CMS missionary Rev. Thomas Norton reached Allepey in Kerala</b>
88.	A.D. 1817	Elizabeth Fry begins ministry to women in prison
89.	A.D. 1821	<b>Benjamin Bailey started CMS Printing Press (first Printing Press) in Kerala</b>
90.	A.D. 1830	Charles G. Finney's Urban Revivals Begin
91.	A.D. 1833	John Keble's Sermon "National apostasy" Initiates the Oxford Movement
92.	A.D. 1854	Hudson Taylor Arrives in China
93.	A.D. 1854	Charles Haddon Spurgeon becomes pastor in London
94.	A.D. 1854	Soren Kierkegaard publishes attacks on Christendom
95.	A.D. 1855	Dwight L. Moody's conversion
96.	A.D.1857	David Livingstone publishes Missionary Travels
97.	A.D. 1865	William Booth founds the Salvation Army
98.	A.D. 1870	Pope Pius IX proclaims the doctrine of Papal infallibility
99.	A.D. 1886	Student Volunteer Movement Begins
100.	A.D. 1906	Azusa street revival launches Pentecostalism

To be continued in next issue.....

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