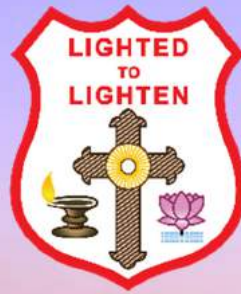


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He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves,

"Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, 'Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?'

Mark 4:39-41

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Dearly beloved in Christ,

Let us be thankful for the grace of God that guides us in the turbulent time of the pandemic. We can continue the journey of life by being dedicated to the hands of God who can lead us with hope. The second wave of Covid has affected human life in most parts of the world, and India is experiencing the world's worst Covid-19 outbreak. The sight of Covid patients outside the hospital gates longing for breath and bed is very painful. Their need for oxygen is an eye opener to us, making us realize how precious is this element, which is always taken for granted. It is a horrible sight to see people falling without access to oxygen in hospitals. So we can continue our spiritual journey without forgetting our dedication to God, obligations to the church, and compassionate response to society. As a parish and as a church, we can do a lot when we are ready to work together in a timely and proper manner.

These days I've been thinking about the house in Capernaum. I would like to share some thoughts related to this house. In the light of this house, we can find out what the church is.

1. Church is considered as an open house. In the first century Palestine, the houses people built had corridor facing the road and they tried to keep the door towards the road always open. These homes welcomed anyone who was tired from traveling. The house in Capernaum had multitude gathering from all strata's of society; Ordinary people from nearby villages, Scribes, Pharisees, the four friends and the house owner, etc. Like this house, the church is a place open to all. It is indeed not only a place for saints but also an asylum for sinners.

2. Church is a Christ- centered community. Jesus' presence in the house at Capernaum gathered a large crowd. And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. We are a crowd or multitude but it is Christ who unites us. The Greek word for *church* in this verse is *ekklesia*, which means an *assembly of called out ones*. So the church, the *ekklesia*, is the assembly of all people who have been called-out of the world by God. The church isn't a physical building; it's a group of people.

3. The attitude of the people is important. Some of the people gathered here are very reactive. The Pharisees and Sadducees are thinking negatively in their mind about Christ while He healed the paralytic. They are reactive people. The word "reactive" implies that they didn't have the initiative but only complaints. Some of them are indifferent. They have no care mentality. The four friends of the paralytic might have compelled some of the persons gathered in front of Jesus to move to bring the person to Jesus. They are concerned only about their salvation and not at all bothered about the needs of others. The four friends are proactive in their attitude. The image here we associate with "proactivity" is of grace under stress and crisis. Proactive people are very organized and they project themselves into the future rather than focusing only on what's happening in front of them. They are self-motivated and ready to take responsibility. They are not only the people in harmony but also the examples of living faith.

Let St. James church be an open house welcoming all and let this church be a place for spiritual nourishment and a place of harmony exemplifying living faith.

May God Bless us all.

Shibu Achen

Kuwait St. James Mar Thoma Church



HOLY COMMUNION

Friday, 7.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Hall of Faith, NECK (Max: 60 People)
Saturday, 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Hall of Peace, NECK (Max: 50 People)

As part of the safety measures related to COVID-19, please adhere to the following restrictions and instructions in the NECK Compound

Children below 15 years and Adults above 65 years will kindly not be allowed in the Compound.

Social Distancing must be maintained inside the Hall and in the NECK Compound.

No Gathering allowed before and after service. No Entry without Face Mask.

If experiencing any illness or symptoms associated with COVID-19, please do not attend.

Kindly attend prayerfully.

PRAYER GROUP & ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

PRAYER GROUP/ ORGANISATION	DATES		DAY	TIME
Carmel	07-05-2021		Friday	7.30 pm.
St. Pauls	07-05-2021		Friday	7.30 pm.
St. Luke	07-05-2021		Friday	7.30 pm.
Jerusalem	07-05-2021		Friday	7.30 pm.
Gilead	07-05-2021		Friday	6.00 pm.
Zion	07-05-2021		Friday	6.00 pm.
Sehion	14- 05-2021		Friday	7.00 pm.
Moriah	14- 05-2021		Friday	7.00 pm.
St.Thomas	14- 05-2021		Friday	7.00 pm.
Gloria	13- 05-2021		Thursday	7.30 pm.
Kerith	21- 05-2021		Friday	7.30 pm.
Emmanuel	21- 05-2021		Friday	7.30 pm.
Edavaka mission	20- 05-2021		Thursday	7.30 pm.
Choir	23- 05-2021		Sunday	8.00 pm.
Yuvajana Sakhyam	07-05-2021	21- 05-2021	Friday	10.00 am.
Sevika Sanghom	08- 05-2021	22- 05-2021	Saturday	10.00 am.

The links of the above online ZOOM Meetings will be communicated through the respective WhatsApp Groups.

LECTIONARY

1 May	7 & 8 May	14 & 15 May	21 & 22 May	28 & 29 May
The Compassion which leads to the Experience of the Kingdom of God	The Faith which sustains the Church "Jesus Christ is Risen"	The Conscious Waiting for the Holy Spirit	The Feast of Pentecost: 'The Holy Spirit who Renews Everything'	Trinity Sunday: 'We Believe in Holy Trinity'
<u>Lessons</u> Exod 1:8-14 James 5:1-6	<u>Lessons</u> 2Kgs 4:8-17 1Cor 15:12-19	<u>Lessons</u> Ezek 37:1-14 Acts 1:12-14	<u>Lessons</u> Joel 2:28-32 Acts 2:1-13	<u>Lessons</u> Exod 19:17-25 Gal 4:1-7
<u>Epistle & Gospel</u> 1Tim 6:1-10 Matt 11:28-30	<u>Epistle & Gospel</u> 2Cor 5:1-10 John 20:11-18	<u>Epistle & Gospel</u> Gal 5:22-26 John 14:15-21	<u>Epistle & Gospel</u> Rom 8:12-17 John 16:1-15	<u>Epistle & Gospel</u> 2Cor 13:11-14 John 1:1-18

OFFICE BEARERS

	Vice President	Secretary	Trustee (Finance)	Trustee (Accounts)	Lay Ministrant	Lay Ministrant
2020-2021	Mr. Bijumon C John 98857649	Mr. Babykutty Daniel 96742885	Mr. Biju Alex 97677906	Mr. Johnson Kuttachen 60332450	Mr. Thomas Mathew 60013510	Mr. Thomas Mathai 66923257
2021-2022	Mr. Abraham K Cherian 90022905	Mrs. Annamma George 97961402	Mr. Johnson Kuttachen 60332450	Mr. Jacob Thomas 96679804	Mr. Thomas Mathew 60013510	Mr. Thomas Mathai 66923257

BIRTHDAYS			
DATE	NAME	PRAYER GROUP	MEM #
1-May	Mrs.Linda Mary Jeev	Gloria	295
1-May	Mrs.Teena Raju	Moria	261
1-May	Mr.Bobby K. Abraham	St. Pauls	218
2-May	Mrs.Jasmine Sanumon	Gloria	310
2-May	Mr.Maju Thomas	Kerith	171
2-May	Mr.Abhilash George Wilson	Gloria	142
4-May	Dr.Varghese Philip	St. Pauls	91
4-May	Mrs.Sally Samuel	Gilead	94
4-May	Mr.Johnson Samuel	Emmanuel	257
5-May	Master.Justin Samuel Saji	Sehion	45
5-May	Mr.Jobby Mammen Philip	Moria	121
6-May	Mrs.Asha Niju John	Emmanuel	31
6-May	Mr.Rinu K. Joseph	Zion-Halifa	260
6-May	Mrs.Tintu K.Sebastian	Gloria	313
7-May	Mr.Christy Ninan	Gloria	301
7-May	Mr.Jose Varghese	Gilead	2
8-May	Master.Johan Varghese Jobin	Kerith	246
8-May	Master.Nathaniel Roy Abhishek	Moria	146
8-May	Miss.Hannah Maria Abraham	Sehion	67
8-May	Mrs.Linu Christy	Gloria	301
8-May	Mr.Job George Varghese	Kerith	29
9-May	Mrs.Shiney Easow	Zion-Halifa	252
9-May	Rev.Shibu K	St. Thomas	1
10-May	Mr.Anil Thomas	St. Pauls	243
10-May	Mr.Mathew Chacko	St. Thomas	202
10-May	Mr.Thomas Mathai	Kerith	128
11-May	Miss.Elina Susan Rony	Emmanuel	204
11-May	Mrs.Aleyamma Mohan	Moria	43
12-May	Mr.Binoy Mathew	Moria	289
12-May	Mrs.Suja Mathew	Emmanuel	298
12-May	Miss.Alyzha Sunil	St. Luke	199
12-May	Mr.Sanish George Alexander	Zion-Halifa	179
12-May	Mrs.Shelly Thomas	Kerith	244
14-May	Mr.Manoj Mathew Thomas	Gilead	102
15-May	Mrs.Beena Alex	Sehion	120
15-May	Mr.Vipin John	Carmel	232
16-May	Mrs.Moly C George	St. Pauls	66
16-May	Mrs.Annamma Jose	Gilead	2
16-May	Mrs.Minu Varghese	Gloria	230
17-May	Miss.Merlin Mary Saji	Sehion	45
17-May	Master.Chris Vinoy Mathew	Sehion	220
17-May	Mr.Rojin Raju	Zion-Halifa	285
18-May	Mr.Jiby George Philip	Moria	112
19-May	Mrs.Rijino Jaimon	Emmanuel	229
19-May	Mr.Vinoy Philip Varghese	Gilead	293
20-May	Mrs.Suni T John	St. Pauls	127
20-May	Mr.Santhosh Kuzhimattathil John	Emmanuel	259
20-May	Mrs.Mini Boby	St. Pauls	122
20-May	Mrs.Mercy Varghese	St. Thomas	202
20-May	Mr.Sony Pulikkottil Sunny	Carmel	81
20-May	Master.Kurian Deepu	Carmel	135
20-May	Mrs.Roshinimol Jacob	Gloria	308

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DATE	NAME	PRAYER GROUP	MEM #
21-May	Mr.Biju Alex	Emmanuel	134
21-May	Mr.John Samuel	Gloria	255
21-May	Mr.Navin Valiyakalayil Jose	Jerusalem	157
21-May	Mr.Nevil John	St. Pauls	49
22-May	Mrs.Roshni P Titus	Sehion	67
22-May	Miss.Celine Sara Siby	Sehion	53
22-May	Mrs.Sabina Susan Samuel	Emmanuel	178
23-May	Mrs.Celin Mathew	St. Pauls	41
23-May	Miss.Abigail Susan Noel	Gilead	84
24-May	Mrs.Liji Mariya Varghese	Sehion	163
25-May	Mr.Thomas John	Moria	54
25-May	Mr.Reji Chacko	Emmanuel	159
25-May	Mrs.Laly Philip E.	Gilead	34
25-May	Mrs.Sindhu Mariyam Mathew	St. Thomas	262
25-May	Master.Dave Joy	Gloria	308
25-May	Mr.John Varghese	Gilead	38
25-May	Miss.Rithu Anna John	St. Pauls	206
26-May	Mr.Varghese K Jacob	Gilead	200
26-May	Mr.Thomas Samuel	Jerusalem	65
26-May	Mrs.Lini Anish	Sehion	106
26-May	Mr.Shibu Abraham	Jerusalem	39
26-May	Mr.Aji Abraham	Emmanuel	63
26-May	Miss.Jeslin Elizabeth	Jerusalem	65
27-May	Mr.Aby Mathew	Zion-Halifa	252
28-May	Mrs.Bincy Anil	Carmel	79
28-May	Mr.Jose A George	Moria	92
28-May	Master.Abel Koshy Abraham	Carmel	83
28-May	Mrs.Karuna George John	St. Luke	199
29-May	Mr.SijuMon Thomas	Kerith	176
29-May	Mr.T. George John	Gloria	214
29-May	Mr.John Baby	Moria	210
29-May	Mrs.Litty Elma Varghese	Emmanuel	208
30-May	Mrs.Lissiamma Jose	Moria	92
30-May	Mrs.Beena Johnson Thomas	Carmel	117
30-May	Mr.Abraham Mathew	Emmanuel	249
30-May	Mr.Babukutty K.	Zion-Halifa	172
30-May	Mr.Anil John	Carmel	79
30-May	Mr.Thomas Cherian	Emmanuel	196
30-May	Mrs.Sheeja T. John	Moria	54
30-May	Mrs.Lincy Mariyam Daniel	Sehion	33
30-May	Mr.Anish Varghese	Sehion	106
30-May	Mr.Biji K. Jacob	Zion-Halifa	160
30-May	Mr.Jerry John Mathew	Zion-Halifa	140
30-May	Mrs.Shiji K. Punnoose	Gloria	305
31-May	Mr.Charls P George	Kerith	101
31-May	Mrs.Sheena Mary Thomas	St. Luke	124
31-May	Mrs.Anju Jobin	Kerith	246
31-May	Mr.Sunny Kunjukunju	Gilead	154
31-May	Mrs.Honey George	Moria	24
31-May	Mrs.Suseela Peter	Carmel	60
31-May	Master.Johan Jacob Mathew	St. Pauls	99

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES			
DATE	NAME	PRAYER GROUP	MEM #
2-May	Mr. Johnson Thomas, Mrs. Beena Johnson Thomas	Carmel	117
3-May	Mr. Roy Vargis, Mrs. Shiji K. Punnoose	Gloria	305
3-May	Mr. Bobby Thomas, Mrs. Vincy Annie Bobby	Jerusalem	115
3-May	Mr. Sam Abraham Eapen, Mrs. Celin Mathew	St. Pauls	41
8-May	Mr. Santosh Mathew, Mrs. Becky Santosh Mathew	Gloria	311
8-May	Mr. Bobby Varghese Chacko, Mrs. Mini Bobby	St. Pauls	122
9-May	Mr. Vinoy Mathew Thomas, Mrs. Jubin Vinoy Mathew	Sehion	220
11-May	Mr. Jeffrin Sam Idiculla, Mrs. Minu Varghese	Gloria	230
11-May	Mr. Sunil John K., Mrs. Sarita T. Sunny	Gilead	264
15-May	Mr. Abraham Oommen , Mrs. Ranju Abraham	Kerith-	76
15-May	Mr. Gibu Oommen, Mrs. Manju John	Gloria	302
15-May	Mr. Aby Mathew, Mrs. Shiney Easow	Zion-Halifa	252
19-May	Mr. Thomas Cherian, Mrs. Ruby Thomas	Emmanuel	196
19-May	Mr. Reji Varghese, Mrs. Sujay Reji	Gilead	3
21-May	Mr. Santhosh Kuzhimattathil John, Mrs. Silu Santhosh	Emmanuel	259
21-May	Mr. Niju John, Mrs. Asha Niju John	Emmanuel	31
22-May	Mr. Jeev Mathew Varghese, Mrs. Linda Mary Jeev	Gloria	295
22-May	Mr. Thomas Samuel, Mrs. Omana K J	Jerusalem	65
23-May	Mr. John Varghese, Mrs. Annamma George	Gilead	38
23-May	Mr. Shibu K, Mrs. Reena P. George	St. Thomas	1
25-May	Mr. Jomy Thomas, Mrs. Merin Mariam Varkey	Sehion	227
25-May	Mr. Biju Mathai Varghese, Mrs. Reem Elza Mathew	Gloria	309
26-May	Mr. George V V, Mrs. Rita George	Emmanuel	48
28-May	Mr. Reji Abraham, Mrs. Sunu Mariam Reji	Emmanuel	287
29-May	Mr. Sunil K Philip, Mrs. Karuna George John	St. Luke	199

Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Prayers & Wishes to all celebrating this month. God Bless You All.

CONDOLENCES

Mr. Kunjumon (64 Yrs), F/O Mrs. Reena Binosh, Moria PG.

Mr. Sebastian (52 Yrs) Brother-in-law of Mr. Saibu Simon Abraham, Sehion PG.

Our deepest condolence to the bereaved family members. May God comfort them.

GLIPSES



Farewell to Rev. V.T. Yesudasan & Kochamma



Releasing of 10th Year Souvenir, 'Kanivu'



Farewell to Mr. Biju Alex



Handing over of 10th Yr Project Fund to new Trustee



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