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## Is Karnataka a Mirage?

It is very sad that a few among us spread news only to make news and their main motive is to get the attention of the Brethren in the nook and corners of the world. The Lord enabled the YMEF(SD) to travel and share gospel in the thirteen districts of Karnataka which has 28 districts. In addition to it we were able to share gospel in the Nelamangala and Hoskote which are the two taluks of Bangalore Rural District. When we speak about Karnataka generally people think that it is Bangalore or Mysore or Mangalore. The people of Kerala

began to know about Karnataka only on the increase in the number of professional institutions. If we ask the students who are studying in the North Eastern districts of Karnataka "Where are you studying"? Their prompt reply is bit interesting. They will simply say Bangalore. If we further ask them about the exact location then only they will say the correct place.

According to the prayer Handbook published by Roy T Daniel the literacy rate in Karnataka is 66%. But in my personal experience of the last ten years the literacy rate in the villages of Karnataka will be much less than

that. We have seen hundreds of small girls and boys who are pasturing the sheep lambs, cows and buffaloes of the rich. The voice of girl still echoes in my ears even six years have already been passed "Babuji time kya ho gai? That question and the picture of the small girl is still fresh in my heart and ears. The YMEF team was returning at dusk from that day's gospel work. When she saw the vehicle and the team members she raised this question at a distance where she was tending the lambs. Her anxiety was to know the time and return to her hut

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## INTERNATIONAL

**Nazareth:** - It is a great surprise for the research team to find out a house in Nazareth of Israel which is said to be the house of Jesus. They found a house with two rooms, court yard and granite tanks to collect rain water. The ruin of this first century house was found near to the house of mother Marry according to the researchers. This is the first time that the researchers found an ancient house like this in Nazareth. The research team is expecting to find the life style of the people of time of Jesus. This is a small and neat house of those days. This finding is a great asset for the innumerable pilgrims of this time. Previously they found some ruins of sepulcher in this area, but this is the first to see a house like this. Today Nazareth is an Arab inhabitation in Israel. So the further research is a difficult task.

**Florida:** - In January 30<sup>th</sup> of 2010 two brothers, Stephan Ossian (25) and Ditty Sufi (24) were shot to death while sharing gospel at Florida beach. The killer was Jeria Woody (18) who was listening to the gospel from behind. He might have directed through the mobile phone by somebody. He was arrested for this cruel act. These two young brothers were mighty soldiers in the gospel field. It is not yet clear that who are behind this brutality and the assailants..

## Y.M.E.F.(ND) RAJASTHAN CAMPAIGN-2010

The work is progressing in Raisingnagar of Ganganagar district and in the villages of Thahasili. God blessed us to evangelize 22 villages from 15.03.10 to 20.03.10. On 15.03.10 gospel was preached at a school of 69RB village and 25 children and 8 elderly people accepted Lord as their savior. At 7RB village of Pathampur the house of Bro: Preethsingh was opened for us. He welcomed us and meeting was conducted there. Then at 42RB we visited the Medical practitioner Bro: Boar at his home and prayed and strengthened him

through the word of God who was resting at home after an accident and broke his leg. On 16.03.10 Omprakash of Dakri village purchased a Bible. When gospel was preached at 26NP and 28NP it was a great surprise to see that half of the villagers were believers. Three Bibles were sold there. Local brothers Amarsingh and Jahajithsingh are doing Lord's work there. At Nottiko village the villagers heard the word and purchased 2 Bibles. On 17.03.10 the villagers of 29NP, 33NP and 37NP people heard the word with great pleasure and purchased 6 Bibles. On 18.03.10 we visited,

preached and sold 6 Bibles at 7NP, 70NP, 75NP, 76NP, Bobfura and Bagicha villages. Towards in the evening we went to the house of Bro: Bhutasingh at 4KS, who is a believer and conducted meeting. On 19.03.10 we preached gospel at 5PS, 9PS and 10PS. We re-visited the villages 15PS and 19PS and at 15PS Seemadevi, Bojaram and his mother accepted the Lord as their savior. This house is sincere house for the Lord in that village. We praised our Lord at 19PS when Sr: Rani and family and Bro: Pandit Sharma was saved. Please pray for this family so that many of the villagers

may come to the salvation. On 23.03.10 gospel was preached at 27A village which is only 1/2 Km away from Pakistan border. At 9LPM when we went for prayer at the house of the cousin of Bro: Sukhudevsingh the BSF questioned us due to some wrong information. This was repeated twice. God was with us and He delivered us. After that when we were 10Km away the BSF followed us and questioned again. When they saw the attitude of the team members they returned. On 21.03.10 we worshiped Lord at 9LPM assembly. 7 pm

we conducted a meeting at the house of Kurfitamassi and the gospel was preached. The mercury is on the increase. And due to the sand storm driving is becoming harder. By the grace of God all are fine. On 23.03.10 we started to Ganganagar for the next programme. The fellowship of the assembly of 9LPM is admirable. Specially the help of Bro: Thathpan and family are very great. Please pray fervently for a good reap.

**P. V. Johny**

## **Editorial THE MESSAGE AND WARNING FOR THE CHURCHES**

The messages of 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapters of the book of Revelation are given by our Lord to all the churches of ages. This is a message for us who are at the end time. This should be learned and practiced. When Lord gave this messages through Apostle John these Churches were in existence, but today many of the places are without Churches. All those place were in Turkey. And there were thousands of churches in that place. Today this place is filled with Mosques. Why this has happened? The answer can be seen in the messages to the Churches in the book of Revelation. For a thousand years these place were dominated by believers. But now it is seen that 98% of the populations are Muslims. The reason behind it is that those Churches did not need to the warning of our Lord. Ephesus was the biggest harbor in the first century. It was a rich town. But in 3<sup>rd</sup> century this harbor was ruined. The reason may be that they forsook the first love. They never took the warning seriously. Today there is no Church at Ephesus. Let us see the problems of the Church of Thyatira. They got the longest message. (Rev; 2:18-29). When some of the Churches faced the external torture they faced the internal problems. Thyatira was famous for wool and leather. So the believers were benefited through business. Lydia who sells purple cloth is from this Thyatira. (Acts 16:14). With the financial growth the believers of that Church faced some problems. The business people had trade unions. These unions had get-together at temples. And they ate the food which was offered to the idols. They had drinking and other immoral merry-making like today. Is it good for a child of God? No. According to Apostle Paul the believers are not allowed to do such things. Some of the business people were lenient towards such activities.

These types of illegal activities are seen in the Churches today also. They are sacrificing the Christian values for the material benefits. It is heard that when word of God strongly speak against the intoxication, there are some believers keeping liquor shops. And some Churches are allowing such people to participate in the Lord's Table.

Another mistake that Lord points out is that in [Rev 2:20](#) But this is what I have against you: you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a messenger of God. By her teaching she misleads my servants into practicing sexual immorality and eating food that has been offered to idols. It is not clear that, who is this woman? But the Church had a tendency to allow illegal activities. The Church was very active but there was no holiness. Our Lord who has eyes like a flame of fire wrote these words to the assembly Thyatira.

This final message reminds us that Lord knows what is happening in our Churches. This should be remembered by the believers. The mistakes of the Thyatira Church should be remembered by our Churches. First "Do not reconcile with the world for the material benefit". Second is the immoral activity of the believers. Since that Church over ruled the warning of the Bride-groom of the church, they were ruined. The Bride-groom told that He will deal seriously against this matter. But they denied it. The Churches of the 21<sup>st</sup> century have to think about it seriously. Let our God deal with us personally.

**E.J.Paily**

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after a days hard work. Dear saints this is the true picture of Karnataka. How many of us have a clear picture of the real Karnataka and how many from the Brethren fold had crossed the villages of Karnataka. Let us have a self examination on it.

Kolar, which is barely 70kms from Bangalore did not have our assembly when the YM EF team reached Karnataka in 1999. But to day by the grace of the Lord, there are two assemblies in Kolar. In one of the places brother Ebenezer from Tamilnadu is working vineyard for His Master. Even today many of the districts of Karnataka still do not have our assemblies or works. Bijapur, Koppal, Yadgiri Gadag are some among them. The prayer hand book has revealed that there are more than 100 evangelists in Karnataka. Out of them 25 of the evangelists are in Bangalore and 60% of the rest in Mysore and Mangalore and the rest in South. There are very few in the north and north east districts of Karnataka. Tumkur district is different from it. There are two assemblies in the district head quarters. Out of them one is simply for a names sake. Brother A G Joykutty is known to all the villagers of that area. The poor villagers have given the name Jesus to his car. He tried his best to spread gospel in those villages. Now that district has 5 assemblies. In the rest of the districts no one other than the Y M E F (SD) team has ever spied shared gospel as has been required. I am prompted to scribble these words when I came to know about false information published through the websites, electronic medias and some of the news letters.

The dirty and unhygienic villages and village roads had never been touched by the strong brethren community yet. This is a state which is under the strong control of the religious fanatics. We the office bearers of the Y M E F (SD) or the Y M E F team has been nothing to claim. There remains a lot to be done ....unprofitable servant .... Nothing is done perfectly ... .

When I was writing these words I got a call from an evangelist in Karnataka.. Our orthodox community may not appreciate it. It may hurt our feelings. This evangelist lives on the gift provided by two saints. He has to feed his family and pay the rent and meet the needs of the assembly. He was going on with the food materials from the ration shop. But the present crisis has happened because of the visit of an evangelist from Kerala to him. His concern is about the rice of the ration shop to be given the esteemed evangelist. And even for that he does not have a penny. Can it be a sole incident in the brethren community? Our Lord loves Karnataka. What is your attitude towards Karnataka? Try to understand the realities and act according to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Let us work for the glory of the Lord after discerning the things spiritually. Let us give for His glor His glory alone and let us work for His glory and His glory alone. May God help us for that.

**V S Mathew**

**Y M E F Karnataka Camp**

If it be the will of the Lord the annual Bible Camp of the Karnataka YMEF will be held from April 21 to 23 at Parpattil Kristu Sevakee Ashram. Brother Jose Mathew, Jose Mankudy and Raju K Mathew are the main speakers. Kindly pray for this meetings. For more information please contact o9448984293

**SBS News****High Range Division Camp**

The Division Camp of the High Range Division SBS will be held from April 15 to 19 at Kattapana Jyothi Camp Centre. The main leads are **Godson Valayil, Abraham Thomas V M paul and Regi K Thomas.** Saju John Caleb 9961178884

**Gospel Meetings**

The convention that takes place at Pathanamthitta under the auspices of the Gospel Hall in association with the local assemblies will be held God willing from 19<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> December 2010. Kindly pray for it. **M T George**

**Thiruvananthapuram:** If it be the will of the Lord gospel meetings will be held under the responsibility of the Mullalivila Brethren Assembly from 14.05.10 to 16.05.10. **Brother Aniyam Varghese will deliver the message.** Evening meetings will be from 6.30 to 8.30. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessings. N A Mathew

**To the Vieyard**

**Kottarakkara:** Brother John Varghese of Thrikkanamangal Brethren Assembly has started work in Kottarakkara and also has interest in tamilnadu. Since the assembly is confident of his call to the evangelisation we introduce him for the prayer and support of the saints. **His Address: John Varghese, Nellivila Puthen Veedu, Thrikkannamangal, Kottarakka, 691 506. A O Thomas**

Mans salvation is the most important basis of the Christian faith. The salvation which is a gift God attained by man through faith is eternal and safe. That is the greatness of the salvation given by God. The safety of salvation is a subject which is discussed much among the brethren community.

Since the believers do not clearly understand the real meaning of salvation there remains a lot of confusion and misunderstanding so it it a must that a believer should understand it clearly.

**What is Salvation** We can see different meanings for this word in the dictionary. Help, deliverence, safety are some of the meanings. The salvation depicted in scripture has all these meanings together. The man who has been condemned for hell is delievered from it and is given new position and privilages and fulfills what has been planned by God for them for further perusal. 1Thess 5:23,24 “and the very God of peace sanctify you wholly and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The perfection of it is through the faithfulness of God. God has decided to do it. It is that salvation that God gives to the sinner who believes in Jesus Christ.

The term used in respect of salvation gives us more surety and confidence in this subject. The term used is born again. We are born in this world to die. Rebirth or regeneration is a must for a life with death. This rebirth takes place through the Word of God and with the help of the Holy Spirit. (John 3:5, James 1:18) God considers the born again ones as the children of God John 1:12. The privilege of sonship will never be lost and cannot be separated. God gives His children not tempory life nut eternal life John 3:16. This is the life without beginning and end. All these terms reveal that salvation is safe. So we can believe that salvation is eternal.

**2. How can be saved.** We have learned that salvation is safe and eternal. Salvation is the gift of God Revelation 7:10. Be saved means to accept this gift of God according to the conditions of God. Salvation cannot be attained through repentance or raising hands or through baptism.

When a person listens the gospel then the Holy Spirit will work in his heart. The Holy Spirit will convince the hearer of the sin and condemnation of sin. Moreover the Holy Spirit will teach about Jesus Christ who is the righteousness of God. He will also teach about the salvation through the faith in Jesus christ John 16:9-11. A sinner came to salvation when he confess his sin. After the confession he has to accept Jesus Chrsit as the personal saviour and Lord through faith Romm 10:9. For the salvation of a person both confession and faith are required. One has to have faith in the heart and with that faith he has to confess with his mouth.

God the almighty commanded Adam and Eve who are settled in the Garden of Eden. But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil thou shalt not eat of it, for in the day that thou eatest there of thou shall surely die Gen 2:17. But Satan enticed the woman and she ate the fruit. She gave it to Adam also. He too ate the fruit. She gave it to Adam also. He too ate it. Their death was not imminent but it happened in stages. The man who committed sin did died at the same moment when he disobeyed God and ate the fruit. He lost his fellowship blessings and inheritance and privilege with God. So he was not able to stay in His presence. Then he was sent off from the blessings of God. Cherubs were commanded by God to guard the gate to avoid the entry of Adam and Eve to the garden of Eden. But Adam died only many years later at the age of 930. His death was in stages. Like spirit soul and body. Salvation is also takes place in the same stage in the same order. For the sake of convenience to study it is termed as salvation is past present and future or in the other terms salvation in the three tenses. When we speak of the past that we are saved from condemnation of sin. And in the present we are continuously saved from the power of sin and finally we are saved from the presence of sin. IN other word our Lord will take us to a place where there is no sin. When we think this in relation to our body we are saved in our spirit our soul is the process of saving itself and finally our body too will be saved.

# Spiritual Maturity

A true christian who sincerely studies the word of God diligently with prayer will definitely understand his blessings privileges and responsibilities. Thus he will be safe and firm in the grace of God and will enjoy and rejoice in it. To the modern fashions entertainments and luxurious are insignificant and prohibited. They rejoice their heavenly citizenship and are proud in it. They are being blessed through Jesus Christ with all the heavenly blessings.

According as he hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before him in love.

Having predestination us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself according to the good pleasure of His will. To the praise of the glory of His grace where he hath made us accepted in the beloved in who to have redemption through His blood

the forgiveness of sins according to the richer of His grace

It is the manifestation of this divine truth that makes the life of a believer decorated or ornamented with faith hope and charity. Such people will always praised worship the Lord under the total control of the Holy Spirit. They will talk each other and enjoy fellowship and will lead a contented



## And on Earth Peace, Good will toward Men

These are some of the words of a beautiful heavenly song heard in the skies many centuries back. That was the sound of opening the door of a way prepared by God to regain the good will to men which was lost long back. Till today the world dint give much importance to that sound. Therefore the world is trying very hard to find peace. Nations are doing many preparations to attain peace. But those are going away from the hands of the leaders of the nations as an oasis in the desert. The world has become a stage of lack of peace and discontent when we see anywhere in the world. Thus peace is lacking in persons, families and in societies. Once a philosopher said like this. "Every human being is a walking civil war". When we think of these words, we will also say yes to it. We are seeing a very pathetic situation in respect of it in the life of human beings. Chile and Argentina are two neighboring countries of North America. But for many years war was going on between them. The soldiers of both the countries were firing

continuously. On December 24<sup>th</sup>, 1903, a declaration to cease fire was announced. The reason is that on December 25<sup>th</sup> ie on Christmas Day, they should not fight each other. That announcement was for a day. All the soldiers were in the camp. On the next day they all can hear the sound of the bells of the churches. The sound of the songs which declares peace fell into their ears through the atmosphere. These sound changed the mind set of the soldiers. "Glory to God in the highest and on earth, good will toward men". On hearing this song they thought that should they live by keeping their fingers on the trigger to fire their fellow brethren? What is the need of this war? And for whom? Their minds woke up. They collected their signatures. "We don't want war". The soldiers of both the sides wrote this and signed. The senior officers knew this matter. They discussed about this matter together. From here onwards we don't need to continue the war. Wars between neighboring countries should not be there. They said that war ends forever and signed the contract. Thus the war ended on 1903. Peace was regained.

This world will not give peace for any one. Where we can see peace in this world where the terrorists' activities are

increasing day by day? But the provider and the leader of peace said to His disciples like this., "I will give you peace. It is not like the way which the world gives". We will receive the complete peace when we change our lives according to the way in which God is pleased. In order to get favour from God, we should present a life according to His will. See what the apostle pf Paul says, "Ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable and perfect, will of God (Rom. 12:1,2). When we submit as a sacrifice, it should have life and be holy. Thus the peace of God sprouts in whom the God delights. They will live in this world very peacefully.

**TVS**

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life in any given situation. They will also give thanks to the Lord for any thing and everything and also will be ready to submit to each other. Moreover they hate wrath, anger evil words and will abandon them because they know that they have renewed redemption and holiness through the death of Jesus christ on the Calvary cross. They have got it free. Thus they will gain or attain there vessels. They will be shining with the fruit of the spirit like love patience and peace. If the works of the flesh like fornication, hatred variation wrath and envy which can be compared to the mud and waste which is thrown to the surface along with the waves are found in a believer. Then we can rightly say that such a person is in spiritual darkness. But a mature christian in whom the Christ is vibrant leads a perfect life which can be an example for others. Through that life he will be able to attract many to the Lord. His fellow brethren will be spiritually edified and exhorted.

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