

# SUVISESHA DHWANI

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## Y M E F General Camp 2008 Inaugurated

The general camp which takes place once in two years under the auspices of the General Y M E F had a good start at Kumily on 9th September 2008 at 6 P M. Many brethren from the different hook and corners of Kerala reached the famous tourist destination after a tedious journey through the bows of the hills and hairpin curves. Kumily has the odour of the spices. It is a city very famous for the different varieties of spices. But these young men thronged to the Holiday

Home not to enjoy the aroma of the spices but to enjoy the Word of God which is sweeter than the honey and the honey comb. They have come to drink the pure milk. They will get another opportunity to taste that our Lord is gracious and could return home praising Him. The camp has began with this great optimistic view. If we look back to the camps of yester years, we may not be able to enjoy the same love and fellowship among the campers of today. Let us understand our shortcomings and repent and come

back to the Lord. Let us fill our hearts with the Word of God delivered by the Lords servants under the total control of the Holy Ghost. Not only that, we should try to bring it in to practice. The opening session was presided over by Br. Samuel T Philip the vice president of Y M E F. The inagural address was given by Br. P M Mathew and the opening message by Br. M V Babu. Expected number for the camp is six hundred or more. Kindly pray for the meetings of Y M E F.

## Misguiding Prophets

There were many prophets among the Israelities. They stood in between God and man and revealed things of God to men. In the Old Testament times God communicated with man through the prophets. Many good prophets were there who worked earnestly for God and fruitful to Him. Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel etc are famous ones among them. They gave counsels in relation to politics and religious matters and gave guidance to people if it was necessary.

At the same time, there were false prophets too. In any time we can see these two different groups among the believers. It is very hard to recognize them. Seemingly and in appearance they are alike. The present day churches also failed to recognize them and are mislead by them. They carried away many by their sweet words and man pleasing praises. They follow the path of

Absalom and kiss many by hugging, desroy merciful ones who are like David. They do not even know that they will be hanged in their own gallows just like Haman.

Prophet Micah explain their activities in 3:5-7 "... who make people stray; who chant peace while they chew their teeth, who prepare war aganist him who puts nothing into their mouths" Whatever ministry will be started, where ever they go always think about making their pocket full and if so preach peace or rage war. They claim that all the things they dare are for truth and holiness.

Prophet Micah further says "therefore you shall have night without vision. And you shall have darkness without divination. The sun shall go down on the prophets and the day shall be dark for them. So the seers shall be ashamed, and the diviners ashamed, indeed they shall all cover their lips for there is no answer from God" Micah 3:6,7. Oh! What a

pathetic situation. the days are coming for them on which their sun shall be no more darkness. Those who never felt ashamed and proudly lifting their head and speaking awful things. Paul says about them, "For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ, whose end is destruction, and whose God is in their belly, and whose glory is in their shame who set their mind on earthly things (Phip 3:18,19). They satisfy their belly which is their God and end up in destruction.

Prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel speak about them as "His watchmen are blind, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yes, they are greedy dogs which never have enough ..." (Isaiah 56:10-12). "Scatter the people by telling peace, who feed themselves" (Ezekiel 13:10, 34:2). The shepherds and prophets who suppose to tend the people failed in their

## Y.M.E.F. (SD)

### Short Term Bible Training Programme

**Kollegal (Karnataka):** The YMEF South Division wishes to conduct a short term Bible Training Programme along with the team campaign for the local young brethren from our assemblies in Karnataka. By the grace of Lord we were able to share gospel to the unreached and untold in thirteen districts and two taluks of Karnataka state. As a result a few assemblies in the New Testament pattern are formed. Our dear brothers Chandra Sekhar, Suresh, Stevenson did the follow up work. All these brethren were with the YMEF team. Our work in the Lord is not in vain. Thus we are able to taste the greatness of the Lord.

There can be obstructions and hindrances in the different states of India in the coming days. So it may not be easy to continue this type of team work with fellow brethren from Kerala. We need people from the local areas. With this end in view the YMEF (SD) is trying to train our young fellow brethren from the local assemblies in the basic doctrine and edify them for the evangelisation in the villages of Karnataka. It is a course planned for six months which will be started in November. So kindly pray for this

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## Y M E F (ND)

### Punjab Campaign

By the grace of the Lord we were able to propagate gospel in the Sangoor District in the month of August. We were able to share about the great living God and the great work he hath done for us. We take this opportunity to thank every one for your continuous prayer for this ministry.

God willing the work in the month of September will be in the Mansa District. Brothers K J Kuriakose, Samson Samuel, Pathrose and Johnson reached Mansa. They will join the fellow brethren in Punjab to continue the work. If the Lord tarries His coming we wish to go ahead with the scheduled programme and the campaign in Punjab will be over in 2009. Those who wish to join the team may kindly contact P T John **Telephone No: 0485 2274330/ 9447289800**

Those who wish to provide financial aid may kindly forward their cheques and drafts to **Br. C J Philip, Chakalackal House, Manjummal, Udyogmandal, 683501.** Cheques may drawn in favour of YMEF (ND) **U B I** or **SBT** Angamaly. Kindly continue to pray for this ministry.

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knowledge and without getting satisfied feed themself scatter the people. Woe un to them! Even our Lord Jesus Christ said at the end times may false teachers will rise who are not able to lead people throughly. The prophets who walks in the action of faith they are blind shepherds. They gave people more trouble through their counsels. So lets us live for the glory of God through keeping people away from these false prophets.

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# Local assembly and the Missionary Zeal

One of the most important responsibilities of the local assembly is to propagate gospel. In the great commission the Lord has asked us to go to the ends of the world and to tell this good news to all. The Antioch church of the first century is a good example for it. While they were fasting and worshipping they clearly listen to the message of the Holy Spirit. They were asked to separate Apostle Paul and Barnabas for His ministry. They obeyed it and sent forth both of them for this purpose of evangelisation. They did what was expected of them by the Lord and returned to the assembly happily (Acts 13:2,3). This was the first missionary journey of Paul.

When we read of the Thessalonian church "For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, and in every place your faith to God Word is spread abroad, so that we need not to speak any thing (1Thess 1:8). From this we can see that the believers of every assembly should proclaim the gospel and the assembly has to give all support to it. On their return they will be spiritually strengthened. When the believers listen to this testimony and experience the believers will be edified. Every local assembly should be a mission oriented one. Our assemblies here in India and abroad should have this vision.

A very good example for this is the Ajman Brethren Assembly of the U A E. They conducted a big missionary

conference in 2007 of their own. They invited believers from home and abroad. Hundreds gathered there. They got a chance to listen to the need of evangelization from the speakers. Some from that assembly committed themselves for the ministry. They conducted a gospel camp in Rajakumary in August in association with the Rajakumari Brethren Assembly. Many from the Ajman Assembly took part in it. It is learned that 23 people got saved. This was a blessing to both the assemblies. This is a good step.

The rest of the assemblies in Gulf can follow this example. People on vacation can go to an evangelist and spend time with him along with his parent assembly. This will be much beneficial for that evangelist and the local assembly there. They will be able to understand the real need of the assembly and they can pray for him and also continue in a strong tie with that assembly and its needs. Such an assembly will shine as a missionary oriented one.

One of the reasons for the factionalism and spiritual deterioration of the assemblies is the loss of this great vision of mission of the assemblies. Let us have this burden for regions beyond and to the ends of the world. If we are ready to obey and follow the Master in it, then our assemblies will be blessed in the days to come. May the name of the Lord be glorified.

**E J Pailey**

## (Are we Giving ...contd fm page 4)

give corrupt things Malachi 1:14. The first seven verses in this chapter also deal with the same subject. We are expected to give the first and the best. When we think of the gift the Father has given for us - His only begotten son the unspeakable gift - nothing from us will compensate it. Giving should not be for a propaganda. What the left hand should not be announced or declared to the right hand. What we do in secret will fetch great rewards. God will honour such givings. We are to give generously and with a strong determination. Exo 35:22. It should be done in an order as all other things. 1Cor 14:39.

We are obliged to give and responsible too. The Lord who gave His life is our role model. He gave Himself to redeem us and to make us His own. So we should have a deliberate and generous heart. We can never measure the cost of the gift that the Father gave us. Lords people give a lot. By giving we express our gratitude to the Lord.

We can adopt different means and methods for giving. We should give for the need of the Local assembly. We should give for the progress of evangelization and also we have to cater to the need of the Lords servants. We are supposed to give to the needs of the organization that work for the extension of the kingdom. We have a lot of opportunities for our wise investment for the future. We can see a number of leadings in these fields. Only eternity will reveal the real picture.

When we have thus a lot of opportunities to give we should be very conscious in our spending too. To whom do we give is an important factor. We should not give to our near and dear ones because they are our near and dear. We should not give for some names as many do these days. We are supposed to give to the needy and deserving on the basis of the Word of God. Our gifts should be for the glory of God alone. What

we have is a gift from God. We should use it very carefully. But now much of the gifts given in this respect by the innocent saints reach cleanless hands and pockets. It is the responsibility of the donor to make sure that the donation he gives should be used wisely.

We have to select the deserving evangelists, elders etc and show the fellowship in their need. When we give to the servants we also have to give to the ministries. The responsibility of the giver will not end with the shake hand. He must make sure that it must glorify the Lords name. Some have chosen godliness as a means to earn money. What God has given to us we have to use it wisely and diligently.

Let us be like Hanna. She gave to the Lord what was priceless to her. She surrendered the precious gift to the Lord. Let us do the same and meditate the verse Gen 15:11. May His name be glorified.



## Y M E F News

**Wayanadu:** A one day outreach of this unit of the Y M E F took place on 23rd August 2008 at Ondayangadi. God willing the next outreach will be held on September 18 at Ambalavayal in association with the local assembly there. Br. Jose Mankudy will speak in the open air. Kindly continue to pray for this.

## SBS News

The monthly prayer meeting of the SBS General will be held on 26th September at 6PM in the Brethren Assembly Hall Kozhikodu. Please attend it prayerfully. **C M Chacko Prayer Co ordinator. For more information: P P Skariah 0495 2355061**

## Gospel Meeting

**Abudhabi:** The Abudhabi Brethren Assembly is conducting a gospel meeting from 22-24 of September from 8PM onwards at the Abudhabi Church Centre. Bro. P G James will give gospel messages. All are requested to attend it and pray for it.

## In the Vineyard

**Vennikulam:** Blesson Thomas native of Valakuzhi and a member of the Vennikulam Brethren Assembly is from the Marthomite background. He accepted Christ as his personal saviour and later committed his life for the Lords work. We as an assembly is confident of it and so we introduce him for the prayer support of the saints. His Address: **Blesson Thomas, Cheruthodathukalayil, Valakuzhy PO, Vennikulam 689544.**

## For Prayer and Thanks Giving

**New York:** A youth retreat programme has been going in the North Eastern part of America for the last twenty years. This year more than 200 youngsters took part. Br. Johnson John gave the messages. Kindly pray for the blessing of this ministry.

### Thomas George New York

**New York:** For the last thirteen years we have been conducting V B S for the children in New York and New Jersey. This year too we were able to conduct it and many children came to know the Lord. Please uphold this ministry in your prayers.

### Thomas George

## Change of Address

**Ranni:** All correspondence for the Zionkunnu Brethren Assembly may be in the following address. Zionkunnu Brethren Assembly, P O Box 26, Pazhavangadi, Ranni 689673

## Open Air Meetings

**Chengannur:** Open Air meetings were conducted in the different parts of Chengannur Taluk. Evangelization programme on 15th Aug. Continue to pray for the ministry here.

## Pray for the sick

**Thrissur:** Bro. Rodney paul is undergoing treatment for blood cancer. Now he is shifted to C M C Vellore from RCC Trivandrum for bone marrow transplant. Kindly uphold this youth in your prayers.

**Kuwait:** Br. Baby Mathew underwent the bypass surgery and getting better. Kindly continue to pray for him.

## Your Labour is not in Vain in the Lord

Once an evangelist was engaged in the distribution of leaflets. As he was continuing with it, a person came forward and introduced himself to the evangelist. "I too am a believer". I was very much intrested in the distribution of the leaflets. I found that that was a vain task and am not doing it from that time, approximately 20 years. Then the evangelist replied him that he was given a tract by a person some 20 years be-

## But to me to live is Christ but ...

Dr. James Thomas

It is a very painful and sorrowful thing many of the children of God do not have a clear vision of their life. But for Apostle Paul, the greatest missionary that the world has ever seen had a clear cut vision and purpose of his life. This is clear from the verse "For whether we live, we live unto the Lord, and whether we die unto the Lord ...Rom 14:8. this is not a vain statement, but a statement he made out of his love, commitment and obedience to the Lord. When he lived he lived for his Saviour, Jesus Christ. His death also was forgetting. That is why he wrote, "I have fought a good fight, I Have finished my course, I Have kept the faith ..." 2Tim 4: 7,8. The four basic things that enabled Paul to lead such a life. The first and foremost aim of Paul's life was to please the Lord. From the next moment of his conversion onwards he tried to do anything and everything that would please his Master. The Holy Spirit made him fit and efficient for that because he trusted in the Holy Spirit. If Paul had depended on his self his life would have been a total failure. That is why "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me " Phip 4:13. This victorious cry came from him because he defeated his flesh and self by trusting on the Holy Spirit.

He knew that the Lord has given Himself to him. So he had the full sense that he had to submit himself for that saviour. Dear brethren if we are ready to surrender ourself to the Lord then he will definitely use us for His glory.

He knew that Lord's name should be glorified through his life and death. "According to my earnest expectations and my hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed but that with all boldness as always so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body whether it be by life or by death Phip 1:20". If Christ is to be glorified through the death of a person that person should have lived and worked for His glory. His death was offered upon the sacrifice and service ..." Phil 2:17, 2Tim 4:6. We have to submit ourselves as a wholesome offering in the fire of Gods will Rom 12:1. If so there we will be able to realize that the Gods will is much higher and greater than our will.

He was confident that to live is Christ but to die is gain Phip 1:21. Through death he can be with Christ which is much better or perfect Philp 1:23. If he lives then his life is for Christ. And moreover through his can win many for the Lord (Phip 1:22). The saints need him. Through this the saints life will be nourished, edified and which in turn will give joy and happiness. "Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you. And having, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all for your furtherance and joy of faith. Phip 1:24,25.

It is the Lord who decides the period of life and death. Our life is meant for Him and His service and our death is the door to join Him. If so then what a great life is ours.

fore. That person took him to the near by hall where a gospel meeting was going on. He listened to the message and later read the leaflet which was with him. Then he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal saviour and Lord. He told the stranger Dear friend, then I started to witness my saviour by giving leaflets to many. I am very happy in it and earnestly doing it from that day. The stranger asked a few

## With the Lord

### Mylapra:

Bro. A.K. George (90) , K a r u v a l l i l Poovannunilkunnathjil went to be with them Lord on 7.9.08 The funeral took place on 9.9.08 under the auspices of the Salem Brethren Church, Mylapra . Please pray for the bereaved family.

### Kallisserry:

Sister Annamma (90) , Parayil Puthenveetil went to be with them Lord on 7.9.08 The funeral took place under the auspices of the Kallisserry Rehboth Brethren Church Please pray for the bereaved family.

### Chandigarh:

Evangelist V.T.John (82) , Vengasserril, Aymanam, Kottayam, went to be with them Lord on 8.9.08. The funeral took place under the auspices of the Brethren Church at Chandigarh.

Bro. V.T.John has resigned from his secular job with Electricity Department and was in the Lord's vineyard for the last 50 years in North India. He started his work at **Ambala** and the Lord enabled him to start an assembly there. Then he shifted to **Ludhiana** and there also an assembly was started and lastly he was in **Chandigarh**. There also The Lord used His humble servant to start an assembly.

Please pray for the bereaved family.

questions to the evangelist. "Where did you get it?" From which street you got it? Then the stranger understood that it was he who gave that tract to this evangelist. He realised his folly. He confessed and repented and he prayed with the evangelist. With a new hope he again started this ministry because he knew that his work will not be in vain. Dear saints, if we are working in the Lord, if his glorification alone is our sole aim if we are working only for the extention of His Kingdom alone, then He will definitely give fruits for hard our hard labour. May His name be glorified.

## Are we Giving for The Glory of the Lord

Giving is a subject which is to be discussed seriously and frequently among us. But much teachings and preachings do not take place on this important subject. It may be because of the nature of this subject. But a few take a brave step in this regard is commendable.

Giving - It is a command. This command is repeated many times in the Bible. Giving is compared to a sacrifice in the scripture. (Phip 4:18). When we do not give it becomes a violation of the commandment of God and also we are trying to rob Him by denying the right portion to Him (Malachi 3:8,9). We know that the 'called out' are willing to give; and when we think of our brethren, they do give a lot because they are confident that they have been chosen for that. (Eph 2:10). Many give even a major portion

of their earnings to the Lord. The Bible teaches us to give generously, giving is considered to be a promised blessing (2Cor 9:5). The believers are expected to prove it.

How much have we to give? What part of the whole is the command? For the Jew it is one tenth or tieth. But even in the Old Testament we see many instances of giving much more than that by the Jews. The commandment for the New Testament believers is to give "For to their power" (According to their capacity) 2Cor 8:3; Acts 4:37) and beyond their power' (beyond their capacity) (Luk 21:4; 2Cor 8:3). When we give more we shall be rewarded bountifully. So when we give it is not a loss but rather an investment that will give much returns. So giving is not at all a loss but a great profit! Moreover it will end in the

**Bobby Charly**  
extension of the kingdom of the Lord and the glorification of His name (2Cor 9:12-13). Withholding this gift of giving is a sin. When we rob the Lord of His due portion, we are trying to we defeat Him. That is what we learn in the book of Malachai. Let us give and give a lot. We are supposed to give not only what we have but we are supposed to give ourselves to the Lord.

What is the criteria in giving? First of all we should know that we are giving to the Lord. there should be enough in the house of God. The house of God should not be affected and should not feel scarcity. When the Lord divided the land, no land was given for the Levi. They are expected to live from the portion of the House of God, the Temple. We should not

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## They Suffered till the End

Pain! normally nobody likes to hear that word. The depth of its pain will increase or decrease depending upon the individual's state of mind. But there is no one in this world who had not been passed through this path. Pain is a seal of every believer. Because their saviour is perfect in trials and sufferings. It is essential in the life of a believer to sanctify himself and to cultivate patience and hope in him. Not only that there is a great reward that is hidden behind this which is to be revealed in eternity. Therefore from the beginning of the church till today, all the servants who became martyrs welcomed sufferings in the name of Lord. During the cruel reign of Bolshevik 1918, Boltike sentenced 300 believers for assassination. When

they reached the place of execution, machine guns and gun barrels were pointed towards them. At that time, they started to sing. "We are going to our Lord's feet and we will place our crowns at His feet". Even though the incharge of killing gave order to kill them, the soldiers didn't obey. The song that they sang together was like a heavenly hymn. There was a little delay in firing. By that time they sang the second stanza. The meaning of that part was "darkened night is ending and the light rays of eternity is going to rise". The bullets that was fired afterwards ends their sweet voice forever. They reached the place where their Lord whom they loved until death is present like brave soldiers. They endured the pain without any shame till the end.

Dear brethren, when we see and hear these kind of incidents, we may feel very sad. What will be our state if it has happened in our lives? The incidents that occurred in Orissa during the last month brought grief to all. We didn't forget that how God had done to Orissa when the missionary and his two sons were burnt alive before 9 years. Now a days also the government of Orissa and fanatics are behaving very cruelly towards Christians. During these days when persecutions are increasing very much, we shall live for our lord by renewing the great hope. We shall be faithful till death. We saw that the above said 300 believers laid down their lives for their saviour by singing songs in front of the guns. We may expect the same in our small Kerala also very soon. God expects a total surrender of sacrifice in the altar of service.

**TVS**

### In TV Channels

#### Sathgamagamaya TV Talk Show Programme

People channel of Kairali's News Channel  
All Fridays (Malayalam) 4.30-5.00 p.m.  
Monday 6.00-6.30 a.m. Zee TV (Hindi)

#### Jeevamritham Television Program

Every Saturday 9 P M -9.30 p.m. in Power vision channel. by Evg Chandapilla Philip

**YMEF (ND)**

### Punjab Campaign

In Sangoor District: By the grace of the Lord we were able to continue the masters service for yet another week. On 17th we took part in the breaking of bread and worshipped the Lord. We started visiting the villages of Sangoor Taluk. We visited the house of a person who is paralysed after an accident. We shared the gospel and that person accepted Christ. His name is Parmeender Singh. The village is ALOMARK. From 19th onwards we visited the villages in Barnala District. This is a newly formed district. We have to travel long distance to reach the villages. Many listened to the gospel message in the Penia Village. Another incident occurred in the Karigada village. Their allegation was that we have reached to take money from the poor villagers. This can be the consequences of such ministries' in India. They mocked us. The divisions among the different sects based on wealth and caste is clearly seen here. The poor show more interest to the gospel. We continue the Bible Class where we are staying. The house owner invites others to join the class. On Saturday we went to Mansa to arrange place for our residence. On our way back we preached the gospel at four places. Lots of books and New Testaments were sold. We thank the Lord for enable us to continue the work for one more week. Please pray for it.

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