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## THE CHALLENGES OF THE GENERATION

The modern man is moving much forward in the field of science and technology. Men were able to attain much growth in science and techniques. There are a lot of changes in the educational field also. But in the spiritual field this generation is pulled back. Many of the able children are idle in the church. When we look to the drawbacks of the new generation, it is necessary to find out the challenges they face. Many things which were not in the dreams of our forefathers had become the necessary things of the modern life. All these

modern facilities have got a greater control over the young generation. I strongly believe that, if we go deeper into the problems of the new generation and deal accordingly, we will be able to bring them back to a certain extent. Let me list out some of the obstacle of the young generation.

### 1. Internet.

Internet has become an integral part of the modern life. When we ask weather it is good or bad the answer is 'it is good'. At a bird's eye-view it is good for transfer of ideas, money, knowledge, business terms, booking tickets etc at a higher speed. But at the same time this facility is

doing much harm to the young people. The ever growing terrorism, the vulgar literature, the anonymous love affairs, the games of character assassination and the sites of temptation are available in plenty at internet.

What is this vulgarity? The exposition of sex and anything that create sexual appetite is vulgar. Nearly more than 20 millions of people visit these sexual sites. These sites are increasing day by day because these are the high profitable sites. The recent survey reveals that the children at the age of 11

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## Oh God, Save Us ...

"He takes no pleasure in the legs of a man" (Psalms 147:10). We have to decide of our priorities in our life. It may not be easy to avoid all these things from our day to day life as we live in this world. But we have to think of Gods interest and concern in all these things. The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear Him in those that hope in His mercy (Psalms 147:11). It is not meant that we have to concerned about the interest of our God on this subject. For bodily exercise profiteth little; but godliness is profitable unto all things having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come. When Apostle Paul writes this to young Timothy we can understand the priority of this issue. Brother

William Macdonald has compared the world to a stadium and said the following words. One hundred years from today when the elders have died away when the stadium is empty and the score is forgotten the thing that will really count is a life that first sought the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. What will remain in that we have attained in respect of First seek ye His kingdom and the rest ...". So let us concentrate short days of our life to our Lord and for Him alone. Let us sing with the song that one day we shall leave this world ... what we have don't in this world will be revealed on the other side ..." Let the readers may get a

chance to realize that our Lord is good.

Collecting money for the different needs

Many collect money from abroad and from here for various ministries, constructing of halls and such other needs. This is done individually as well as collectively and through different organisations. But many does not show any interest to publish the income and expenditure account as they show interest in collecting money. So many ministries are looked upon through opaque mirror od doubt. But I do thank the Lord for those servants of Lord and organisations who publish their audited account perfectly. Those who are

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## Y M E F (SD) Tamilnadu Campaign

### Erode:

Our Lord is enabling us to be in His ministry at Erode in a blessed manner. The team had faced the problem of the vehicle in the past few months. But our Lord used His children to provide the necessary funds for that. But their came a problem of Registration. We were pursuing through dark avenues and days as far as registration was concerned. Though the date of temporary registration was over we did not get our vehicle registered or we could not use the vehicle. Brother Stanly John of Palani did suffer a lot in this regard. But by the grace of Lord we got the vehicle on 18.1.10. Let us thank the Lord for that. We find it very difficult to get men to drive the vehicle. But God gave the mind to Babychen the mind to come to Erode temporarily to help the team. When these words are scribbled our dear Babychen is driving the vehicle. Since the Lord has met the needs at the right time, the campaign did continue without any break. The dear brethren in the team went for the campaign by bus when our vehicle was not available. Kindly remember the dear brethren who are in the team.

A special meeting of the Y M E F Tamilnadu West Division along with the evangelist of those places were held at the place where the Y M E F team stays. Brother M Ramesh Secretary of the Y M E F West chaired the meetings. Brother A J Oommen did the word ministry. Many suggestions were given by the dear brothers who attended the meeting to continue the work more effectively. It was decided to conduct work in places where there are local assemblies so that those assemblies can continue the follow up work. We had a great blessing on that day because of the sweet fellowship.

The presence of the dear brother Sathyananda a really old man was a great blessing to the meeting. He was in the team right from the beginning of this campaign in Karnataka. The dear brothers like him will be a great inspiration for us. Though he is suffering from Asthma he has suffered a lot for this good news. The meeting came to a close with the benediction and prayer of this dear brother. Let us thank the Lord for those who work for His glory and at the same time let us take a decision to follow their foot step and their example.

Dear saints we are in the field and it is the work of the Lord. We we want some one to come forward and to take a share in this ministry one way or another looking at the face of the Lord alone. We thank the Lord for those who have taken part in the past in this ministry. Let the Lord give grace to them so that they can again come and joint the team and work for the glory of the Lord. Let us abound in this work the work of the Lord. Those who wish to join the team may kindly contact brother A J Oommen 0469 2660478, T Chacko 0468 2341956. Those who wish to send financial assistance may kindly send to George Samuel Muttathu House, Omalloor P O, Pathanamthitta, 689647.

# A VALUABLE WORD

I still remember a story of the elephant and the tailor which I studied in my junior class. The mahout used to take the elephant every day to the river through the tailor's way. And the tailor used to give fruits every day to the elephant. One day when the elephant passed he waited for fruits. But instead of giving fruits the tailor gave a prick at the trunk with his needle. And the elephant went to the river and when he came back after bath he stored water and mud in his trunk and sprayed at the tailor's shop. Every thing in the shop was damaged.

This story is explained by many people with more additions to show the elephant's wisdom. But the real meaning is some thing else. The elephant was enjoying fruits for a long time from that tailor. But when one day he got a prick from that giver, he forgot every good thing and retaliated. This shows the true human nature of ingratitude. And that is the moral of that story.

Once upon a time a wise man said like this, "**That man will not say anything against me, because I never helped him for some thing**". It is the normal attitude of man to receive all help from others when needed and to forget every thing and turn against him. This shows the wickedness of man. This character was shown by the Israelites repeatedly in the desert. They showed the hard ingratitude towards the God, Who has redeemed them from the bondage of the Egyptians.

In the Book of Romans we read that they never glorified and show gratitude to God even though they knew Him and hardened their unwise heart. God created man in His own image with a grateful heart. So we should be grateful to God and men. Even though ten lepers were cured only the Samaritan came back to Lord to give thanks and immediately Lord asked for others.

When one hunter aimed at a bird one ant went and bites him, so the arrow went off and the bird was saved. After some days when the same ant fell in to water the bird dropped a leaf in the water and the ant was saved. Here the gratitude is shown through the work.

The ingratitude heart is dark and hard. People like to say that their success is due to their own ability and hard work. His sinful nature will not allow him to give any glory to God. If we, the children of God do the same, what difference we have with the carnal man?

Our gratitude should be shown to everybody. And that is the desire of God. Gratitude (thanks) is a valuable word. If we do not have that in our heart then the ingratitude will be there. Then the man will be an animal. The gratitude differentiates good people and bad people.

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starts to see these sites. The children at the age of 12 to 17 take more interest to visit these sites. What is the after effect of this? We should be aware of this. Children will become quite and prefer loneliness. They spend time in day dreams. They loose their self motivation and ability. And live in a feeling of guilt. They curse themselves for every thing. Is there any redemption from this bondage? The Bible says YES. In Rom 13:14 says make no provision for flesh to fulfill its lusts. Make good friends (1Cor 15:33). Do not exhibit the love physically. Avoid the temptations. (Gen 39:12). Do not become the slaves of the circumstances. (Eph5:15). Watch and pray lest you enter in to temptation (Mark 14:38). Remember that we have to give account for everything (Rom 13:12).

**2. Mobile Phones.**  
This has become the highest in usage. India has got the 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the usage of mobile phones. According to the study of 2009, 40.3 million people are using mobile phones. A university survey report shows that people will report the loss of a purse within 26 hours, mean time they report the loss of a mobile phone within 68 minutes. A life without mobile phones has become impossible. A global survey reports that 60% of the people sleep with the mobile. The usages of the mobile phones are many. The parents can locate the children. It can be used as a calculator, telephone directory, electronic game, camera, messenger or a music player. But on the other hand it causes head and mouth cancer, deafness and other health problems. The social problems are much more

serious. The children always sit in their private rooms. They cut short the communication with their parents. Once one mother said like this" there is no time to talk with my son since he is always in his private room". The tension in the children will increase and they start stealing for recharge coupons. Since they talk many hours in the night, they get up very late and get away from the family prayer. Some people bring the phone for the worship meetings and play games during the time of word ministry. The psychologists say that the mobile phones are the greatest addiction of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The schools have stopped the use of mobiles. What about the churches? The traffic rules are against the use of mobiles while driving. What restrictions are given to the children by parents? Are the

parents neglecting the bad consequences?

**3. Television.**  
The purpose of the Television is to listen for the world news. But in many houses the TV is working for many hours. This shows the influence of the TV. Years before parents used to switch of the TV when some ugly advertisements are shown. But today the serials are watched in presence of children. This will cause much damage to the spiritual life of the children. They can not read Bible or pray with concentration. The children those who watch TV late in the night will have this problem. This will create much problem in their spiritual life.

**4. Smoking and drinking.**  
Smoking and drinking are harmful for the health.

The poisonous ingredients will destroy many of the brain cells. The temporary relief will create much more complicated problems in future. Many start these bad habits by the influence of their friends and finally they become addicts to alcohol and smoking. Finally they fell in to depression and guilt. Our body belongs to God and we are only the caretakers. God wants His temple to be holy and those who destroy His temple, He will destroy. (1Cor 6:19, 20). So it is our responsibility to keep the temple of God holy.

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## Teens Special 2010

**Venue:** SBS Camp Centre Puthencavu

**Time:** April 2010 5th Monday to 4pm to 10th Saturday 10am.

The SBS special General is holding a special camp for teens who becomes an easy prey for the modern media to equip and to give necessary instructions to them. Moreover we teach the doctrinal subjects regularly and in order. We do welcome all the students who has written their exams in Standards 9,10,11 and 12. Admission is for the 300 who register their names first. Utilize this precious time. Those who wish to partake may kindly contact directly through the centre secretaries. For more information contact **BINU SAMUEL 09447359183**.

### SBS General Prayer

**Vennikulam:** The monthly prayer meeting under the auspices of SBS will take place on February 5, 2010 at 6.30 in the residence of brother **P E Samkutty Melathil, Kumbanadu**. We cordially invite all the SBS workers to this prayer meeting. For more information Contact 0469264712.

### Sisters Camp

If it be the will of the Lord a woman's camp for woman from the age group 12 and above will be held under the auspices of the Kumbanadu centre sisters meeting from 5th April 2010 to 10th April 2010. The venue of the camp is Kumbanadu Brethren Assembly hall. For more details **Thankamma Varghese 0469 2665981**.

### Womans Bible Camp 2010

**Nellikunnu**

**Venue:** Zion Brethren Church Nellikunnu

**Date:** 2010 April 12 Monday 3 to 3.30pm to 16th Friday 3.30pm. Admission open for those who are above 14. Camp fees Rs 50. Camp Leaders P J James, Mrs Elizabeth Samuel. For more details Mrs Mariamma James 0487 2427959

### Assembly News

**Alappuzha:** The ministry of the Ebenezer Brethren Assembly is progressing smoothly. Baptism of three persons took place. Kindly pray for this ministry. Varghese Mathai

### Ohio Conference

The IBF conference which is popularly known as the Ohio conference will take place from June 30 2010 to July 4th at the Wesleyan University Indiana. **Brother Kenneth Doctors, George Dozen and Albert Sunil** are expected. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessings.

### Gospel Meetings

**Puthupady:** If it be the will of the Lord a gospel meeting will be held under the auspices of the Puthupady Brethren Assembly at the pandal in front of the Assembly hall from February 9 2010 to 14 February 2010. Every meeting is from 6pm to 9pm. Main speakers are Abraham Chembola, and Sajeew Varghese. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessings of these meetings.

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involved in such ministries with a bad intention may mind that the Achor Valley is a warning to this Joshua 7:26. The gravity the sin of wealth is revealed in the scripture. Gehazi had to bear the sin of leprosy on him because he ran behind Naaman to get wealth which Eli did not want I Kings 6:20 -27. Some of the members of certain organisations are worried about of their person or member who is in charge of the financial matters in their organisations. They doubt that they are not using proper account on it. Moreover they are not publishing it properly. Even if such organisation are publishing accounts that also remains vague and unclear. Such leaders ignore the words of these people and they won't get off from their positions. Who will live in the tent of the Lord is the cry of the Psalmist. I doubt whether they have read the 15<sup>th</sup> Psalm even once in their life. If they will meditate on it they will get perfect answer for it.

Our Lord is looking for faithful men in families, assemblies, societies etc. Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful. Shrewdness, intelligence, wealth and victory all will be appreciated by the world. Christ always looks for our faithfulness.

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# The Angels that Minister the People of God

Buddhism which came up in India has the following as the basis principle. Life is full of miseries and sorrowful. Our wish in the cause for all. If we can eliminate our desire from us we can get rid of all our sorrows. Our Lord reminded His disciples that there is suffering for you on this earth (John 16: 33). In the book of Job we read like this My bowels boiled and rested not the days of affliction prevented me ... my harp also is turned to mourning and my organ into the voice of them that weep (Job 30, 27,31). The Psalmist prays thus Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble ...” Psalms 102:2. In short we have to suffer a lot in this world.

Gods children also have to pass through this harrowing experience as we live on this earth. But it is a good thing that our Lord and His word is with us, when we pass through these problems. But at the same time He has

assigned the angels for our protection. This is a pleasing thought. We read in the scripture that when a person comes to the saving knowledge of the Lord then there is joy in the midst of heaven. One of the reasons for that is that the angels take in charge of him. They are all the ministers sent to minister those who come to the Lord. That is what we read in the scripture.

The host of heaven as has been said in the Bible is the angels. They are always with us for our protection. These angels stand at the both sides of the throne of the Almighty God. They have the power to know the where abouts of the earth and can destroy even the greatest array of armies and big cities. (Gen 19:13; 2Kings 19:35). God the almighty has appointed these angels for the protection and care of those who come to the saving knowledge of the Lord.

Today the governments of the world have arranged special task force for the protection of the VVIPs. Great amounts are spent for it. Terrorism is on the increase and is that case who will make arrangements for the protection of the ordinary people? Who can protect the lives of the common people? But King David sings like this “The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him and delivereth them “ (Psalm 34:7). When the visible and invisible thrones and dominions or powers and principalities stand against the spiritual realm. We should be aware and conscious of the fact that there is a greater power with us always. So let us open our spiritual eyes. “ ... Ans the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw and behold the mountain was full of horses and chariots

of fire around about Elisha. Then we should understand that those with us more and more powerful than them who are against the cross.

The angel that strengthened Jacob (Gen 24:3) and the angel who closed the mouth of the liars and then stand Daniel the angel who brought out Peter from the prison and the angel who appeared for John in the Island of Patmos all stand as our ministers ready to serve us.

So let us go ahead in the midst of opposition and in the midst of sickness and persecutions. So let us march forward without faltering because our God has assigned His angels for our protection everywhere and at all times. They are around us. Amen.



We may feel that the above said statement as a pleasing one. But in this statement, there is a different meaning. The emotion ‘repaying’ is there in man by birth. If somebody responds against us, we can sleep peacefully only if we pay back for it. This is the emotion that sprouted in the heart of Lucifer when he was thrown out of the heaven. When he was waiting for a chance to repay, Satan got an opportunity to peep into the luxurious life of Adam and Eve in Eden. Even though he was not able to deal with God directly, he was able to break the fellowship of the first family whom the Lord loved a lot. But the scripture doesn’t teach a God’s child to repay his enemy. There is a different law in the Bible.

Few years back I read an incident that took place in a foreign country. There was a family which lived in full harmony. The father of that family had a daughter. This family which was well settled had

enemies. One day the father’s enemies caught his daughter and cut both her palms. She came home with the bleeding hands. They dint go for any revenge. After some days she was fully healed. She was restricted in the house without able to go anywhere outside. What a cruelty was showed by the enemies to this girl!!

After few years, she saw a beggar standing outside the gate of her house. She recognized him immediately. She understood that he was that cruel man who cut her hands. She said to the people who were there in her house to give enough bread and milk to the man. She watched him while he was eating it. He ate the full food impatiently. When he was finished eating she removed the glows that were on her hands to cover the wounds. By raising her broken hands she said loudly like this, “I repaid! I Repaid! He understood everything. We should see

the shameful reactions on his face at that moment. She repaid to those who did evil to her by doing good. If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink (Rom.12:20). Love him. Pray for him. These are the good things that the Bible tells us to do for him. But today the ones who are becoming the enemies are our brothers, some members in our assembly or our neighbors. Do we have the same response that the girl showed? Does the scripture have any influence in our lives? Does our flesh advise us to take revenge in the best possible way when we get the right time? We are not hearing the gentle sound of goodness of the spirit. If the God’s spirit is abiding in us, let us repay by doing good like the girl. Those who are controlled by God’s love can do this. Repay is not for us.

TVS

## In TV Channels

### Sathgamaya TV Talk Show Programme

People channel of Kairali’s News Channel

All Fridays (Malayalam) 5.00-5.30 p.m.

Monday 6.00-6.30 a.m. Zee TV (Hindi)

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