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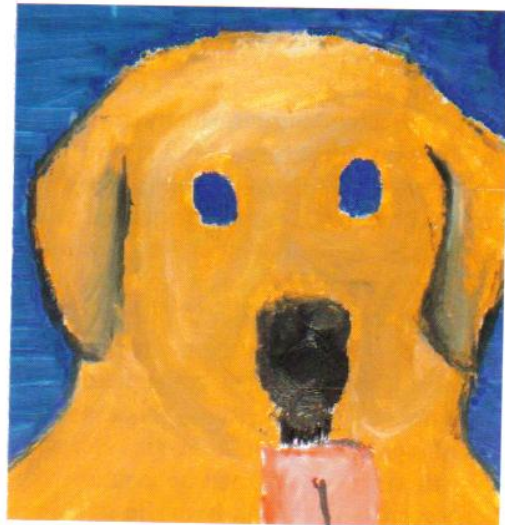
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“Watch therefore, for ye know neither the  
day nor the hour wherein the Son of man  
cometh.”

Matthew 25:12-14.

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**Channels of Glory –**  
**Letter from Dr. Simon Zachariah**

By God's grace we are continuing to be a channel for a few more people in the year 2008. Recently I have been asking some of my friends and colleagues a riddle. It goes like this: Suppose you have only one bucket of water and you happened to see one thirsty elephant and one thousand thirsty mice. To whom do you think we should give that bucket of water? I got several different answers and each of them had their own valid reasons. Some replied with more questions. "How many years more years do you think that elephant is going to live?" "Is there any use from that elephant? Is there any use from those mice?" You can also come with your own answer to this question, because the bucket of water is in your hands. But one thing is for sure, if you keep on arguing, the elephant and the mice will both die of thirst. When we go through the applications for help and referrals, we always consider the face of the individual in need, the face of the donors, and the face of God. When we see God's loving smile, we are sure that God loves the elephant and the mice equally. Just give it away....Judging is not our duty. Let's remind ourselves that we did not create water. God is

the one who gave us the water to give. Pass it on.. Pass it on...Recently I had a talk with a business entrepreneur about "Channels of Glory" and its activities. Later I found out that he was struggling with the guilt of not helping a woman whom he had seen in a 'Subway' restaurant in need of money for her lunch. He failed to respond positively. So I told the riddle of the Elephant and mice. And I also told him about 'commissions' and 'omissions' as two parts of sin. We are only worried about 'commissions.' But how many times have we moved forward carrying the guilt of 'not helping others'- just because we were scared; scared to tell the truth, scared to stand up for truth, scared of public opinion, scared of scarcity. May God Almighty remove our fear and strengthen us to act according to His will.

To ensure confidentiality and to protect their self esteem, we do not intend to disclose the identity of the individuals who are being helped through Channels of Glory. The following individuals are being financially helped by our organization. Recently the funds were distributed to:-

A twelve year old Malayalee boy from Pune is suffering from acute Myeloid Lukemia. He is a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at N.C.L English Medium School Pune.

A mother of two children, who was deserted by her husband, is suffering from complications due to kidney removal. She is from Angamaly near Ernakulam

A (K.S.R.T.C) bus driver is the father of two young children studying in 12<sup>th</sup> grade and 7<sup>th</sup> grade. He met with a severe accident, and is being treated in Malabar Institute of Medical

Science- Calicut. His wife is unemployed and finds it difficult to pay hospital bills.

A fourteen year old physically disabled girl, suffering from Osteogenesis imperfecta, is having financial difficulty for treatment and education. Her parents are poor and are not able to meet her transportation expenses to school and back which is Rs.10, 000 per year. She is from Veloor Kottayam.

A father of two children (studying 12<sup>th</sup> grade and 8<sup>th</sup> grade)–the family's only bread winner, is suffering from minor stroke. He needs financial help for his treatment and his children's education. This family is from Athirampuzha , Kottayam.

A mother (28) of two children (aged 7 and 5) from Erode, Tamil Nadu is suffering from Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. She is being treated in C.M.C Vellore and is seeking help to find special treatment abroad.

A father (41) of two young children (aged 9 & 1), who has been diagnosed with blood cancer (AML) is being treated at CMC Vellore. He is in need of bone marrow transplant to save his life.

A 38 year old mother of two children (13 and 11) came to NIH hoping to get special treatment for her Lymphoblastic Leukemia. But she didn't respond to the chemotherapy and was advised to go back to India. We are hoping and praying she will respond positively to the treatment there.

Final year medical student, who belongs to a poor family, has difficulty meeting his educational expenses. He has shown his

willingness to help other needy people in future.

Fifth grade boy from Thirvanchoor, Kottayam has been diagnosed with heart problem and is in need of money for his heart surgery. His father is a daily laborer and is struggling to make both ends meet.

A young B.Com student from Perumpavoor, Ernakulam district is good in studies but needs money for his educational expenses. His mother has been diagnosed with Intramural haematoma and his father is just a daily laborer.

A II<sup>nd</sup> year B.Sc nursing student at Indian College of Nursing is in need of financial help to continue his studies. His parents are finding it difficult to support him in his studies. This family is from Edakulam, Ranni Pathanamthitta District.

A II<sup>nd</sup> year Nursing student at Hyderabad is in need of financial help to continue her studies. Her parents find it difficult to support her financially. Her family is from Maramon, Kerala.

A father of two children is seeking financial help for the treatment of his wife. She is suffering from Cancer and they need our financial support very badly. She is being treated at Indo-American Cancer Institute and Research Center. The family is settled in Meredmet, R. K. Puram, Secunderabad.

A 34 year old man from Nellikala, Elanthoor, Pathanamthitta, who was born severely handicapped, has transportation problems to his tea shop and elsewhere.

He is hoping that some door will open and help him with transportation needs.

A father of a young bright student wants to send his daughter for higher education. He is not sound in his financial situation. He also specifically mentioned that the roof of his one room house is leaking badly. He is looking forward to some financial help to support his daughter's education.

A father brought his nine year old daughter to U.S. hoping to get special medical treatment for her cancer. After coming here he is struggling to meet her treatment expenses.

At this juncture we want to thank you all for your support to Channels of Glory. It is only through the prayers and participation of people like you that we have been able to fulfill responsibilities to those who are less fortunate.

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*By Dr. Simon Zachariah*

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Also please note the following details for your tax purposes.

Accounting period ending: December 31  
Public Charity Status: 509 (a) (2)  
Effective date of exemption: June 2, 2005  
Contribution deductibility: Yes  
Advance Ruling Ending Date: December 31, 2009.

**Please send in your generous contribution for this noble cause.**

**You can also help us to locate needy individuals around you or in India. Please ask them to submit an application showing the need.**

The needs are many. Please remember all the activities of Channels of Glory in your prayers.

**Yes! We need your prayers!**

**“When our dream is shattered into a million pieces, we often fail to see that we now have a million dreams”.**

**\_ Joe Uthup.**

