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Painting By: Anaswara

“And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; and his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.”

Psalms 1: 3.

NEWS FROM THE CHANNELS



Channels of Glory – Letter from Dr. Simon Zachariah

By God's Grace, we have arrived at the end of the year 2008. The next year is a very critical year for Channels of Glory, because our probation period for Tax Exempt status is going to end in December, 2009. IRS will evaluate all the activities of the organization and decide whether to continue the tax exempt status. We request all of your prayers and co-operation in supporting all the activities of Channels of Glory. At the time of writing this newsletter, we received word of the sad news of the death of one more child who was being helped by Channels of Glory. But on a more cheerful note, we would like to share that many individuals, who have received help for their medical treatment, are recovering from their sickness. Also, since the beginning of the founding of this organization, four of the students who had received help for their education, have graduated and got good jobs. Now they do not need any more financial help from us and they have all expressed their sincere thanks to Channels of Glory for the timely moral

support and **prayers**. Prayer truly works indeed!.

"The righteous call to the Lord, and he listens; he rescues them from all their troubles." Psalms 34: 17

Believing and experiencing this truth we pray for all those who help Channels of Glory through their valuable contributions and talents. We also especially pray for the families and individuals whom we help. Many are still lying in their sick beds, and there are many young children in their families hoping and praying that God will send help from some good people. When we receive their long letters in Malayalam we carefully read and file those letters along with their photos. We can imagine the happiness when they get personalized letters from Channels of Glory and to receive the check for \$100 or \$200. It is not the money that makes them happy, but the knowledge of the truth that God listens to every humble child's cry and rewards each one faithfully. When we read those letters it strengthen us and makes us cry for joy. They all remember Channels of Glory and its supporters in their daily prayers. And we firmly believe that they are praying for the work being done through Channels of Glory. We know this from personal experience of having worked in the rural areas of Malappuram District, Kerala, India, where members of each household gathers together around the kerosene lamps for family prayers. The grandfathers (appachas) and grandmothers (ammachies) pray sincerely and loudly, shedding tears for all the various needs of the family, community and the world. Yes, we are sure, that they are praying for all of us.

Each time we send out the newsletter, we feel like we are beggars on the behalf of the less fortunate people. But at the same time, we are reminded that they deliberately did not

choose to be in that position nor do they want to continue in that way in the future. God sends trials to His people every now and then, but when the right time comes He will deliver them. None of us can predict when it will be our turn to go through those trials. So let us humble ourselves and not judge others. Each time we send out the newsletter, we do so, incurring a lot of self sacrifice. But we do get a lot of criticism in return. Sometimes we feel like reasoning it out with them and like to justify why we do the things we do, but again, like beggars, we decide not to argue with those who criticize, but to move on...When God commands some one to do something, he doesn't have to convince any human beings why he is doing so. The reason we are discussing this is to strengthen all those who obey God. The scripture tells us not to fear man, since God is with us.

"If God command thee so, you shall be able"

Now we have approximately 25 individuals whom we are supporting in their education and / or treatment and now more than 100 new applications are before us. Please pray for Channels of Glory to continue its work during the coming year. Many are nursing students and one of them is finishing his MBBS and looking forward to study MD. These kids are intelligent kids. But they can't afford to go for higher studies only because they cannot afford the expenses for books, hostel fees, and their travel. Some of them already got into those institutions but then their family met with unfortunate circumstances and hence do not have the means to complete their course of study. We are sure, that God will provide all the needs from His everlasting abundance. He has done so in the past and He will do it again.

In conclusion, let me add few words about the artist who drew the picture on the front page of this brochure and right below. Whenever we send financial help to young children, we request them to write a joke or draw a picture or write a funny riddle. And Anaswara sent us two of her drawings. One of the pictures she drew looked like modern art. (see below) and the other picture was a single flower with four petals placed in a pot. She comes from a family of four- her dad, mom and an older brother. Anaswaramol (that's how she prefers to be called) is being home schooled (third grade) since she cannot attend regular school because of her medical condition. She is currently being treated at Christian Medical College Vellore. She and her family are praying for all of us and Channels of Glory.



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By. Dr. Simon Zachariah

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The Strength of one

By. Dr. Simon Zachariah

One drop cannot drown a boat,
But one hole can drown your boat.
One word of praise may boost an ego,
One bragging mouth can hurt a heart

One knot, one look, one word,
Can decide the future of many.
Often they can't be corrected,
But a 'Sorry' can make a difference

Some times we need in bulk,
But often we need only one,
To cut or carve, or scratch,
Or to make or fake -you decide.

So how much do we need next time?
Too many or just one?
For some things, 'single' is enough
As long it remains the same.

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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!

"I will be merciful to them, as a father is merciful to the son who serves him. Once again my people will see the difference between what happens to the righteous and to the wicked, to the person who serves me and the one who does not." -Malachi 3.17-18

