POEMS OF THE MONTH

കടന്നു പോയ കാലം സൈമൺ സഖറിയ

കൊച്ചടി പാദം വെച്ചു ഞാൻ വീട്ടു മുറ്റത്തു ഓടിക്കളിച്ച നാൾ അടിച്ചുവാരിയ വീട്ടുമുറ്റത്താകെ കൊച്ചു കാൽപാടുകൾ ചറ പറെ പതിപ്പിക്കുവാൻ അസാധ്യമാണിനിയും!

പട്ടം പറപ്പിച്ചോടി കളിച്ചു ഞാൻ പള്ള കൊളുത്തി വലിച്ചു വേദനിച്ചിട്ടും വിയർപ്പു തുടച്ചിട്ടും ഹൃദയമിടിച്ചിട്ടും വീണ്ടും പറപ്പിക്കുവാൻ ആകുമോ ഇനി ആസാദ്ധ്യമാണു എനിക്കിനിയും!

നൂറു രൂപാ കാണാൻ കൊതിച്ചിട്ടിപ്പോൾ എത്ര ആയിരം കൈവശം കടന്നുപോയ് ഒരു കാറു തൊടുവാൻ കൊതിച്ച ഞാൻ എത്ര പറന്നു വായു മാർഗ്ഗ്ം വിമാനത്തിൽ!

അസ്സാദ്ധ്യമായിരുന്നെതെത്രയോ സാദ്ധ്യമായില്ലയോ? പ്രാപ്യമായിരുന്നതു പലതും അപ്രാപ്യമായില്ലയോ? Channels of Glory Newsletter December, 2010



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"Equality in Diversity"
By: Ayanamol (7 yrs)

NEWS FROM THE CHANNELS



<u>Channels of Glory –</u> Letter from Dr. Simon Zachariah

Another year is going to end soon! When we look back there are so many things to be thankful for. Since the financial condition of the organization was not so great, we could not help many people as we used to. But by God's Grace funds were just sufficient to support those who are in dire need. On many occasions donations came from unexpected sources in mysterious ways. Every day I learn new lessons about the people who help others. An important observation is that if people do not help others when they have little resources, they are not going to help even when they have plenty. On the contrary, I know of some people who used to help during their days of prosperity and continue to do so even when going through adversity and financial strain. This may be because helping and giving to others is in their nature or maybe they have experienced abundant blessings while doing so. I am not preaching the 'prosperity gospel' but just sharing what I have been seeing in those who are helping others. This reminds me of a little story we learned when we were young.

A little bird that broke its wing was searching for a resting place among the various trees. The big and strong trees denied a resting place for that poor little bird as it was weak, sick and small. But a little Guava tree which was small and weak with thin branches gave a resting place for that lonely helpless bird during the rainy and stormy night. The next day every one could see what had happened during that night. The strong and mighty trees were damaged by the rain and stormy wind while the Guava tree which was willing to help the little bird was unhurt by the natural calamities.

One can never underestimate the power of small acts of kindness thoughtfulness. It may look worthless but later on God can use those simple acts of kindness to work miracles not only for those who help, but as well as for those who receive help. I have heard another story about a man who was returning home after earning a lot of wealth. While his ship had almost reached the shore it started to sink. The strong and healthy people jumped from the ship and started to swim. This man also decided to try his luck and he tied all his wealthy belongings on his back and prepared to swim. Then a small 5 year old orphan girl pleaded with him to take her also. He knew that he would not be able to carry both the little girl and his wealth. So he tried to ignore her. Then the girl said: "If my daddy was here, he would have definitely carried me." Those pleading words melted his heart and he threw away his wealth and decided to save the girl. He carried her on his back and had almost reached the shore when he became unconscious and started to drown. But then the girl did her best and dragged him to the shore. When he woke up he found himself lying in her lap and his face became wet with tears. He took her home and told his wife and daughters all that had happened. They happily welcomed her into their household.

"But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing" -II Thess.3:13

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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What people see

Simon Zachariah

What do you see in an egg?
May be an ugly duckling or a white swan.
What do you see in a child?
Don't ask me; I have to see his dream!
Imagine great things and expect great things!