POEMS OF THE MONTH



Death, Birth, and Growth

- Simon Zachariah

"We'll cut these trees," the beavers said.
"Don't cut the trees!" the animals pleaded.
But the beavers understood nature's law:
Nothing is born without something else dying.
Soon, dead branches drifted down the river,
And the beavers worked with steady
persistence.

Before long, the pond widened into a river.
Animals came to drink from its waters;
Others dived in for a refreshing dip.
The beavers laughed with quiet joy.
"Didn't we tell you," They reminded them,
Nothing is born without the death of another?

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-സൈമൺ സഖറിയ

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I saw that broken glass in the street
I thought a lot about removing it
The more I thought, I moved far from it
Later I found a bleeding feet.

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NEWS FROM THE CHANNELS



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

It is with great joy that I write this letter. Our organization has completed 20 years of existence, and I would like to briefly share its story.

Since 1982, I have been helping those in need—most of whom were my own students. Someone once told me that I had a bright future, but reminded me, "All your achievements will come only with the help of others." I also include God among those who have helped me. Throughout every stage of my life, I have faced failures, disgrace, and rejection. During those difficult times, I would pray the prayer of Moses:

"Do not send me unless You go with me."
After coming to the United States, I thought
I would no longer be able to help anyone.
But God brought many people into my life

who supported my passion for helping others. Since I had received help from many in the past, I felt a strong urge to continue doing the same. As the needs grew larger, two of my nephews encouraged me to start a non-profit organization. My supervisor recommended that I speak to his attorney, who then helped me register the organization. With the support of our board members, God fulfilled His mighty plan through our humble efforts. Over the years, we may have helped hundreds of people, including students.

Many have asked why we do not reveal information about the beneficiaries. The answer is simple: nobody likes to be publicly identified while receiving help. Let me assure you that many have deeply appreciated not only our financial assistance, but also our words of comfort, advice, and moral support. Some of them hold high positions today and prefer to remain anonymous.

Others ask who our donors are. The truth is that they, too, wish to remain unidentified. None of them seek appreciation or praise. They give for a single reason—they were once in similar difficult situations. Many have shared their stories of hardship with me. When I speak to beneficiaries, I tell them about my own health challenges and the times I desperately needed help. I encourage them to support others in whatever way they can. We often lament what we lack, but it is far more important to ask ourselves, "What do I have that I can share with others?"

One of my great inspirations is the preacher, George Müller. People once asked him how he managed to provide for ten thousand orphans. His humorous reply was: "Money doesn't stick to my hands!" In other words, he never kept money for himself.

Another important lesson he taught was this:

"Never ask God 'why.' Instead, ask Him, 'What should I do next?"

God does not always answer the question *why*, because even if He explained, we may not understand His reasons.

In one of his stories, Leo Tolstoy writes that God punished His angel Michael and sent him to earth to learn three things:

- 1. What dwells in man?
- 2. What is not given to man?
- 3. What men live by?

The second question always strikes me. Its answer is: "the knowledge about future." Similarly, William Cowper wrote in his hymn "God Moves in a Mysterious Way." At our last board meeting, the members encouraged expanding our support to those in need within the United States as well. Based on our motto, "Channels," this year we contributed significantly to support the education of needy children and to care for the sick in India.

Let us ask God each day:

"Lord, what should I do today, in this situation?"

And when God whispers His will in your ear, do not hesitate to act. We are here in this world because He created us with a purpose.

Thank you all for your support and prayers over the years!