

TGC TIMES

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NEWSLETTER



RETREAT SUMMARY - SEEK THE LORD

By Pastor Solomon Karunakaran

The theme verse for this year was, Isaiah 55:6, “ 6 Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.” The preacher this year, Brother Clement Vedanayagam Sastriar dealt with this theme well. He posed the question, If the Lord is Omnipresent and Omnipotent, why is it that He can be found at a certain time and not anytime? It seems that God is bound within time. The underlying truth in the verse reveals two things: God is beyond time (omnipresent and omnipotent) but works within chronological time as we experience it.

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Every human being has been created with a time limit. Therefore, we are called to use time wisely. Generally, when people are young, they tend to focus on worldly things and as they grow older on eternal things. We need to seek the Lord either young or old in the time granted to us to live on the earth.

He narrated the story of Zacchaeus desiring to see Jesus and how he found Jesus and received the gift of salvation as recorded in Luke chapter 19. It was the time when Jesus could be found, and Zacchaeus made all the efforts and received the blessing. Similarly, we need to put in efforts to seek the Lord in this time of grace given unto us. Also, he narrated the story of the ten virgins, five wise and five foolish, as found in Matthew chapter 25. Though all of them were given the same opportunity five of them did not use the time wisely to be prepared to meet the bridegroom and therefore missed out and the door was shut. This provides a stern warning for us to focus on the right priorities in life knowing that we are time bound. He expounded on the verse Matthew 6:33, in which the Lord commands us to seek first the kingdom of the Lord and His righteousness and all the other needs will be added. He noted how we tend to focus on the things that will be added rather than on the work of the kingdom of the Lord and His righteousness.

Dear TGC family, let us live our lives with our priorities in place to seek the Lord such that we will find Him true and faithful.

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JULY BIRTHDAYS

Allan Francis	July 02
Jeremiah George	July 06
Laura Immanuel	July 06
Vijay Kumar	July 07
Richard Devasagayaraj	July 12
Evaan Bilson	July 12
Abisha Shajin	July 12
Israel John Samuel	July 13
Golda Praveen	July 14
Sharmila Samuel	July 14
Alice Priya Thomas	July 15
Subu Caleb	July 24
Shanon	July 24
Stephanie Joy Jebastine	July 25
Anugraha Franklin	July 26
Rajasingh Fredrick Nagarathinam	July 27
Karthikeyan RM	July 28
Lukah Arul Stephen	July 28
Edward Samraj	July 29
Preethi Solomon	July 30

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Aravinchand Chandra Theodore & Ami P Selvamani Vijayaretnabai	July 04
Ham Jeen Franklin & Anugraha Franklin	July 06
Karthikeyan RM & Shyamala Karthickeyan	July 08
David Livingston & Preetha David	July 08
Samypillai Jayaraj & Elizabeth Jayaraj	July 10
Arockiasamy Devasagayaraj & Josephine Devasagayaraj	July 15
Caleb Benjamin & Subu Caleb	July 18

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SUNDAY SERVICE

EVERY SUNDAY @ 5PM

FASTING PRAYER

JULY 13 @ 11 AM