

# GOD WORKS

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# "Revive me O Lord, according to Thy Word."

Psalm 119:156





#### Revival begins with YOU!

Churches have preached and propagated revival around the world. But, it isn't the church or a preacher that brings about revival. It is the conviction of the Holy Spirit that motivates people to change their 'normal'!

Yes, revival is the act of establishing a new normal that takes us from a life of sanctioned sin to a life of Great Triumph! Conversely, it makes condoned sin abnormal!

In this edition of Bethel AG's digital magazine we deal with the power of a changed mind. Nobody can do it for you! And once done, nobody can take it away from you! It is all about you and your will to transform your life.

Are you willing to establish a new normal?



REV. JOHNSON V. & PASTOR CYNTHIA

# THE SEASON OF RESEASON OF RESEASON OF RESEASON OF RESEASON OF

The Lord has promised to resurrect dry bones and revive what we considered dead and buried. Finances, relationships, health, education and various other aspects of life will see miraculous revival in the name of our Lord Jesus!

Pastor Johnson gives us a glimpse into the power of revival in the life of Prophet Ezekiel. God has promised to do the same for us! He is the same yesterday, today and forever...





ouldn't it be great to travel back in time and witness the Great Revival of the 19th century? Or better still to experience the first revival after the resurrection of the Lord Jesus?

The recounting of these miraculous events, creates in us a yearning to experience what was the most potent phenomenon known to mankind! Amazingly, in a time when tyranny prevailed, revival was the only revolutionary movement that was not forced on anyone. It was spurred by the power of the Holy Spirit that brought about change and reformation on an unprecedented scale!

Sigh... Isn't it a pity that we couldn't be present at such events?
Or should the believers of yesteryear

be envious of our generation?

The Bible declares, "And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams." - Acts 2:17

Yes, we are a blessed generation, called to experience an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, as was experienced by the disciples of the Lord Jesus.

Revival is not usual. It cannot be described as a mundane, pedestrian, everyday occurrence that touches the congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ

When revival is unleashed, the unusual manifestation of God's power through the Holy Spirit will deeply impact churches, communities, towns, states, countries, continents and even the whole world. Such is the unusual power of revival!

During the days of the disciples, the Romans and Jews were unable to contain the waves of the Holy Spirit that drenched the world in revival. In fact, it was so potent that it took Philip to Africa, and brought Thomas to India to declare the Good News of the Lord Jesus Christ. When Thomas was martyred, the people thought that it was the end of revival in India. But actions of man cannot dissuade the plans of God! Millions of Indians were saved by the revival carried by one man. And what seems to the world outside to be a scheme of conversion, is far from the truth! No one forced us to accept the Lord Jesus as our Saviour. We just couldn't ignore the power of God in our lives. How could we live in denial of such greatness?

Yes, revival is unusual!

The unusuality of revival is made more prominent by a difference in perspective. A person who has swum only in the dead sea will not understand the forces that pull him below the surface of water, elsewhere. Similarly, a person who has never swum in the Dead Sea will wonder how a sea, which is so dead that it is labelled the Dead Sea, empowers people to float with such ease.

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In life, we may see people wallowing in sin and yet floating with ease, while we try to navigate the sea of righteousness only to be hindered by its undercurrents. Remember, those who float on a sea that is spiritually lifeless will end up with a dead spirit. On the other hand, we have a Saviour who will walk on water to meet us at the point of our need and revive our spirit - an all powerful 'Life Guard for the Ages'. When we experience the reality of revival we will no longer be thrashing about in uncertain waters, but soaring on wings like eagles.

"But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles" - Isaiah 40:31

That's why revival is so important! The Lord Jesus does not want us to be floundering in water. He wants us to be soaring like eagles!

While the disciples were drowning in a sea of sorrow after their Master, the Lord Jesus, ascended into heaven, God worked a great miracle! On the day of Pentecost, the disciples were blessed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit! Each one received a special anointing that was meant particularly for them.

"They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them." - Acts 2:3-4

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The disciples were miraculously revived! They no longer struggled to stay afloat, but soared on wings like eagles as they preached the Word of God to the world!

It is important to note that the tongues of fire did not pass over them or randomly rain down on them. They separated and came to rest on each of them.

God has a special anointing for everyone! Revival will present that to us. When we consciously transform our minds to define a "New Normal" - a normal that rejoices in triumph over sin and induces a feeling of wrongdoing when in disobedience to God's Word - it lays the groundwork for God to release His Spirit of Revival.

Revival will endow us with many gifts! From speaking in tongues and prophesying, to healing the sick and discerning spirits... the list is endless. Each gift contains the supernatural power to change our destiny!

But, are these gifts given to us by God as a keepsake?

Certainly not! We are called to engage in the synergy of revival!

When the entire body of Christ - the congregation - is awakened to revival, the synergy it produces is unbelievable!

But how does this phenomenon come about? Can we do something to welcome mass revival?

Yes, we can! There are 3 prerequisites to welcome revival:

- We must stop looking at church as a human organisation and recognise it to be the body of Christ that is called to bring glory and honour to God.

- We should reach a stage where we subconsciously forget about ourselves a little, and be concerned for God's body - the congregation of the church.
- In our concern for the congregation, we should not ignore the world outside. There is nothing more insincere than a church that does not care about the people outside its premises.

Amazingly, our church, Bethel AG, preaches about the Glory of God and the pressing need to Honour His Name. Our volunteers are living proof of people who have forgotten about themselves to be mindful of the church, God's body and His people here on Earth. We are also taught to be concerned about the world outside, and not be ignorant of people's problems.

The foundation for God's Great Revival has been established in Bethel AG! Revival will happen! Our city will be saved! All we need to do is ask for the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which will empower revival.

"As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. - Matthew 3:11

Every Sunday we experience the move of the Holy Spirit. It is truly amazing for anyone who has felt His touch. But, this is nothing in comparison to the baptism of the Holy Spirit! Congregations that experience revival are supernaturally transformed! Bethel AG has been placed in the city of Bangalore to spur revival! Our God has been turning heads and changing hearts through our church. Tens of thousands have been saved! But, this is only an appetizer before the big banquet.

In the words of the renowned revivalist, Dr. Martyn Lloyd Jones, "Revival is something that is so striking that it will arrest the attention of the world."

We believe that it will happen! Do you?

# **TESTIMONY**

#### A miracle that shocked even the medical community

He was an atheist when diagnosed with nerve demyelination. Doctors told him that an increment in demyelination would result in multiple sclerosis, the disease that prematurely ended Dr. Stephen Hawking's life. Medically, there was no hope for complete cure.

In the midst of adversity, he found Jesus and revived a relationship with his Heavenly Father. The outcome was absolutely miraculous!



Coming Soon...

## TESTIMONY: The Hidden Blessing

A time for illness and a time for healing



n February 14th, while the world celebrated Valentine's Day, the Indian Army was on red alert! It was the day when terrorists from across the border carried out mindless attacks on the Indian Army. The incident left the entire country in a state of shock!

Just two days prior, I, Denis Thomas Varghese, had developed Urinary Tract Infection due to lack of drinking water. All water pipes were frozen and potable water was scarce

I was admitted to the Air Force Hospital on 13th Feb. However, the hospital wasn't equipped to deal with my problem. Later that night, I experienced discomfort while urinating. Within few hours, my condition got progressively worse. I could not urinate and my bladder started expanding as there was no outlet for liquid waste. I underwent excruciating pain and was at the point of losing consciousness. On observing my condition, the doctor attached a catheter to ease the flow of urine. It gave me a lot of relief.

I was to be transferred to a nearby Army Hospital on the following day. While shifting hospitals, I started losing blood in my urine and felt a severe burning sensation in the phallus. After about an hour and a half of reaching the hospital, I was transferred to the Emergency Ward. Various parameters were tested and reported. Each report was more worrying than the previous. Everything was abnormal, including my pulse rate. Soon, I was shifted to the Surgical Ward, where a number of doctors visited to make inquiries.

Suddenly, the deafening sound of wailing sirens caused chaos in the hospital. Doctors and nurses were rushing to the Trauma Centre. It was quite bewildering, until we were informed that there was a terrorist attack at Pulwama, about 20 Kms from the hospital. Many critically injured patients were ushered into wards and operation theatres. Out of the 8 soldiers that arrived at the hospital, only 3 survived. They were put in neighbouring beds. My problem became insignificant, as I prayed for our fellow soldiers.

In the meantime, I was given antibiotics and put throu-

gh various tests to discover the actual cause for my illness. The tests revealed that I was diabetic. Further, an improper urine culture stated that there were no microbes in my urine. The catheter was removed and I passed urine normally, but the burning sensation remained. The reports misled the surgeon to believe that an enlarged prostrate was at the epicentre of my problem. When the ultrasound was carried out, they found that my prostrate had swollen to 54 ml. A PSA test revealed a value of 27.8.

The doctor told me that there was no urologist at the hospital. I was to be transferred to Command Hospital, Udhampur, to which I objected and asked for sick leave to get myself treated in Bangalore. But he did not agree. After staying in the hospital for 14 days, I was shifted to the hospital in Udhampur without any treatment for my problem.

After reaching Udhampur, the Urologist advised me to consult an Endocrinologist. He administered a series of tests and started treating me for diabetes. I was given medicine to lower my PSA and was asked to undergo another ultrasound test on my lower abdomen. This time the results showed a further increase in my prostate gland. An alarming value of 119ml was enough reason for an immediate MRI. The MRI showed multiple nodules and lesions.

On the 9th of March, I was advised to take a second urine culture, which showed E-Coli infection. The doctor immediately administered 750mg of antibiotics through an intravenous tube. It was the first time I'd received proper medication for my ailment. I began to feel better with the very first dose. After the 5-day-course, the doctor advised another urine culture to ensure sterilisation of the infection.

The results were impending, when I got into a state of depression. The lack of fellowship and a place to worship left me with a sense of complete alienation from God. Unsure if my illness was a result of unforgiven sins, I cried out to God in weeping every night. But, there was no peace. I felt incredibly restless in my spirit.

But, that tide was about to turn...

On March 19th, Pastor Johnson prayed for me over a phone call. For the first time in a very long time, I felt the return of hope and faith. After prayer, Pastor Johnson prophesied that I would come to Bangalore for further treatment. I held on to that prophetic promise. I knew it was a distant dream to return to Bangalore, but I also knew that nothing is impossible with my God. There was no existing procedure in the Army for me to be sent back to the Air Force unit without treatment, when in critical condition. At the most, they could shift me to another hospital for continued treatment.

When the doctor saw my MRI report, he made up his mind to carry out a biopsy on my prostate gland. On 23rd March, I had another episode of urine retention. The catheter was reattached to alleviate pain. The doctor was convinced that the prostate was causing the problem, and told the nurses to prepare me for biopsy.

I objected to the decision and refused to undergo surgery. The doctor was agitated and treated me badly. He even humiliated my relatives when they came to meet me. But prayers cause miracles, even in the most adamant of people.

Soon, he told me to sign a form of unwillingness for treatment in the hospital. He also told me that I would have to travel with an indwelling tube. I requested a certificate to avoid unwanted hassle at the Airport. He gave me the required certificate, after initially denying my request.

The presence of God followed me wherever I went. At that time, Air Force authorities denied leave to anyone due to the Pulwama attack. But, they approved my leave application on an unrestrained basis. On 29th March, I reached Bangalore with my brother who accompanied me from Srinagar. I promised God to visit church and offer my sacrifice of praise, the moment I reached Bangalore. As a prodigal son's return to his father, I came back and wept like a child. The Holy Spirit comforted me and Pastor Danny prayed for me.

An inexplicable peace settled on me. Hope and faith

budded in my soul again. I knew every word written in the Bible was for me, and I believed and claimed it. On 31st March, Pastor Johnson prayed and blessed me saying, "All unnatural growth be stopped and healed perfectly in Jesus name". The moment it was prayed, I knew that something had happened within me. I was overjoyed! Tears continually rolled down my cheek as we worshipped and praised God. The biopsy report stated that I have no malignancy in my prostate gland and the entire problem was due to prolonged bacterial infection in the kidney and urinary bladder

God has turned the tables in my favour! All medical reports have become normal, though I'm still under medication for the enlarged prostate. All glory and honour goes to God, the Almighty.

When I sit back and wonder why God took so long to heal a problem that could have been resolved in a week, I can't help but be amazed by His perfect timing. I was admitted to hospital 2 days before the Pulwama attack. If my problem was diagnosed during the first set of tests, I would've been out of hospital in under a week, and back in my station.

On the morning of 27th February, a MI 17 (V5) helicopter was given a task to go to Awantipora from Srinagar and return back. After reaching Awantipora, the helicopter took off on its route back to Srinagar. But, it had not received clearance from the ATS.

At the same time Pakistan had sent a pack of 20 fighter jets. They had entered Indian territory and Captain Abhinandan, along with 2 other pilots had taken off to defend our land. Behind the scenes of Captain Abhinandan's capture by the Pakistani army, was another tragedy that did not get as much attention.

The Indian Army had launched a missile to attack the helicopter, assuming it an incoming enemy, as all interaction with the helicopter had been lost. It resulted in the death of 5 crew members and 1 civilian. A tragic incident, indeed!

I was supposed to be on the team when the missile was fired. But God kept me safe in hospital. While I was writhing in pain and asking God why he was allowing me to suffer, I did not for one moment think it was God's way of keeping me safe from the heat of a court martial. Even today my colleagues are being court-martialled for the fateful events that transpired on the morning of Feb 27th.

I praise God for His perfect timing! He has a way of making everything work for the good of those who truly love Him. Yes, He can turn even sickness into a blessing!



# "Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me."

Psalm 138:7



#### TURNING CHALLENGES INTO BUILDING BLOCKS

Who would have thought that a building without a foundation would become the bedrock for God's kingdom in the city of Bangalore?

Not many, for sure!

Today, we worship at a church that is flourishing beyond expectation. But running a church is not a bed of roses, especially when you begin with zero members and a barrage of challenges. Yes, Bethel AG had challenges! Some expected, others unexpected, but every problem had only one solution - The Lord Jesus Christ!

In this chapter of the 'Blast from the Past' we recall some of the challenges from yesteryear that are sure to leave us astonished at the goodness of God towards those who are loyal to His call.

# GANGANAGAR

#### THE DARK AND DINGY BASEMENT

WHEN BETHEL AG MOVED INTO THE BASEMENT HALL OF THE GANGANAGAR CHURCH, WE HAD OUR SERVICE IN A COLD, DARK, DINGY BASEMENT. THE WALLS WERE DAMP AND THE FLOOR WAS WET. RAINWATER FLOODED THE PLACE REGULARLY, AND WHAT WAS SHOWERS-OF-BLESSINGS FOR OTHERS WAS A CAUSE OF IMMENSE PAIN, LITERALLY, FOR PEOPLE WHO WORSHIPPED IN THAT A CAUSE OF IMMENSE PAIN, LITERALLY, FOR PEOPLE WHO WORSHIPPED IN THAT BASEMENT. VOLUNTEERS ARRIVED MUCH BEFORE SERVICE WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN, TO CLEAR THE BASEMENT OF STACMANT RAINWATER IN BUCKETS. IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO DRAIN IT OUT COMPLETELY. THIS, COUPLED WITH IMPROPER GROUNDING, SPARKED INTERMITTENT SHOCKS, WHICH WAS VERY UNPLEASANT FOR THE PASTORS, WORSHIP LEADERS AND GUITARISTS.



CAUGHT OFF GUARD...

ONE WOULD IMAGINE FIRE TO BE AN ANTIDOTE TO OUR WATERY PROBLEMS. BUT IT WASN'T TO BE! WE USED CANDLES TO LIGHT UP THE BASEMENT FOR OUR SUNDAY SERVICES BECAUSE THERE WAS NO PROVISION FOR AN ELECTRICAL OUTLET. IT WORKED SPLENDIDLY, UNTIL, ONE SUNDAY MORNING, PASTOR JOHNSON CLOSED HIS EYES AND BOWED HIS HEAD, WITHOUT NOTICING THE CANDLE IN FRONT OF HIM. WITHIN SECONDS, HIS HAIR CAUGHT ON FIRE! THE VERY NEXT WEEK, A CHURCH MEMBER GIFTED AN EMERGENCY LAMP IN RETALIATION TO THE HAIR—RAISING EMERGENCY FROM THE WEEK BEFORE!

THE LACK OF CHAIRS WAS ANOTHER

CHALLENGE IN THE EARLY DAYS OF

THE CHURCH. SURPRISINGLY, PEOPLE DID

NOT STOP ATTENDING THE SERVICE AND

NUMBERS STARTED GROWING!

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PEOPLE WERE PACKED INTO THIS STAIRWAY TO WORSHIP, WHEN THE HALL BELOW WAS FILLED TO CAPACITY

# PALACE GROUNDS

## THE TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY THAT BOOSTED OUR FAITH

WHEN THE CONGREGATION GOT TOO BIG FOR THE CHURCH HALL IN GANGANAGAR, WE MOVED TO PALACE GROUNDS. WE DID NOT HAVE A STRUCTURE TO WORSHIP, AND OUR POLICY OF 'NO FUNDS COLLECTION' LEFT LITTLE ROOM FOR HUMAN INTERVENTION. AS ALWAYS, WHENEVER OUR PLAN WAS INSPIRED BY GOD'S WILL, HE FOOTED THE BILL!

AFTER FEW MONTHS, WE RECEIVED A NOTICE FROM THE GOVERNMENT TO CLEAR THE PLACE. WE WERE DEJECTED! NOT ONLY DID WE HAVE TO MOVE, BUT WE HAD TO MOVE EVERYTHING OVERNIGHT! WE DID NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO NEXT, BUT WE PACKED EVERYTHING AND MOVED, THANKS TO THE MIGHT OF OUR GOD AND THE DEDICATION OF OUR VOLUNTEERS.



CONGREGATION EXPLOSION @ PALACE GROUNDS



### BACK TO GANGANAGAR

#### THE HALL WE OUTGREW IN NO TIME

REMEMBER HOW THE ISRAELITES WALKED OUT OF EGYPT WITH GOLD, CATTLE AND WEALTH? THAT'S HOW WE LEFT PALACE GROUNDS. PEOPLE WERE BLESSED IN PLENTY!

WHEN WE MOVED BACK TO GANGANAGAR, THERE WAS NO PLACE FOR EVERYONE. WE NEEDED 5 BACK-TO-BACK SERVICES FROM 7AM TO 3PM TO ACCOMMODATE THE CONGREGATION EXPLOSION.

MANY HAD BEEN BLESSED IN ABUNDANCE! PEOPLE WHO WALKED TO CHURCH, RODE BIKES AND PEOPLE WHO TRAVELLED BY BIKES, OWNED CARS.

GOD'S BLESSING ON THE CHURCH WAS AMAZING! BUT, PARKING WAS A PROBLEM. SO WE HAD TO MOVE AGAIN!







IF THESE STAIRS COULD TALK THEY WOULD TELL YOU ABOUT THE DEDICATION OF PEOPLE WHO STOOD FOR HOURS TOGETHER TO ATTEND SERVICE



PARKING BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD



# HEBBAL

#### STANDING PROOF OF GREAT TRIUMPH OVER THE SCHEMES OF THE DEVIL

WHEN WE BUILT HIS HOUSE ON A ROCK NAMED JESUS, EVEN MARSHLANDS COULDN'T HAMPER HIS PLAN

IN 2004, GOD BLESSED US WITH LAND IN HEBBAL! IT WAS MOSTLY MARSHLAND, WITH DEADLY REPTILES AND OTHER CRITTERS. WE WERE FACED WITH THE HUGE CHALLENGE OF CONVERTING THE AREA INTO VIABLE LAND. BUT, THE LORD WAS ALREADY BUILDING THE CHURCH AND HE GAVE US THE STRENGTH AND RESOLVE TO BUILD A STRUCTURE TO ACCOMMODATE HIS PLANS.

DURING THE EARLY MONTHS, WE HAD TO FIGHT 72 LEGAL CASES BECAUSE THE LAND HAD MULTIPLE OWNERS. WE WON EVERY CASE WITHOUT RESORTING TO BRIBERY. AS COMPROMISING ON OUR BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES WAS NOT AN OPTION!

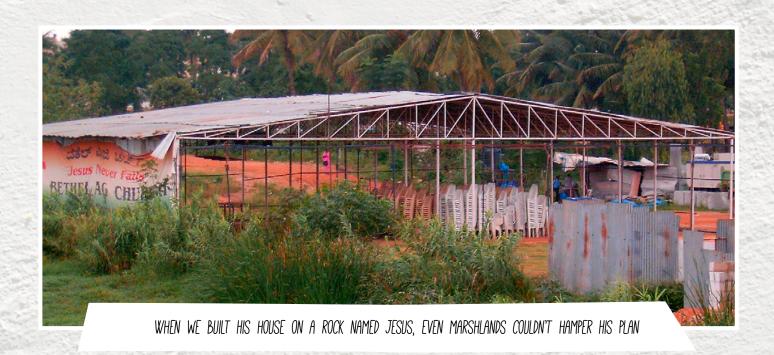
LATER, POLICEMEN WERE SENT TO STOP THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STRUCTURE. BUT, WHEN THE WORKERS STEPPED DOWN, OUR OWN CHURCH MEMBERS GOT TOGETHER AND RESUMED CONSTRUCTION.

AFTER PUTTING UP THE STRUCTURE, IT SEEMED LIKE MOST WATER-RELATED PROBLEMS WERE RESOLVED. HOWEVER, OUR JOY WAS SHORT LIVED AS THE CHURCH WAS WAIST DEEP IN WATER AFTER THE VERY FIRST RAINS. DRAINING WATER OUT OF THE CHURCH WAS ONCE AGAIN AN AFTER-SHOWERS ACTIVITY. BUT, GOD SHOWED US A WAY TO CIRCUMVENT THE PROBLEM AND SAVE OUR CHURCH FROM REGULAR FLOODING.

WE ALSO HAD TO DEAL WITH A POSSE OF HIGH PROFILE OPPOSERS OF CHRIST WHO ENTERED OUR CHURCH ON A SUNDAY TO STOP SERVICE. BUT, GOD SHIPPED EVERY FIERY DART OF THE DEVIL BACK TO ITS RETURN ADDRESS!

IT SEEMS LIKE WE'VE OVERCOME A DELUGE OF CHALLENGES, DOESN'T IT?

"WHAT THEN SHALL WE SAY TO THESE THINGS? IF GOD IS FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US?" - ROMANS 8:31



AS WE PLAN TO MOVE TO A BIGGER PLACE, CHALLENGES MAY ARISE. BUT WE ANCHOR OUR TRUST IN THE DIVINE PROMISE THAT

"God will make this happen, for he who calls you is faithful." - 1 Thessalonians 5:24

THE LORD SAYS, "I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" - Matthew 16:18

# MORSHIP

#### AT BETHEL

When we sing strongholds come crashing down! When we sing bondages are broken!

When we sing the chains of oppression are shattered!

And that's why the Bethel AG band brings to us a stronghold crashing, bondage breaking, oppression shattering medley that resonates revival!

The song features a medley of 'Knocking on the door of heaven' by Matt Redman and 'We will embrace' by Darrel Evans



Stay tuned to Bethel AG's Facebook/Instagram/Whatsapp/YouTube pages for the full video.



#### ANSWEARS TO YOUR QUESTIONS

# I love God, but I don't find a sense of desperation for Him or His kingdom.

### Can I have revival if I'm not desperate for it?

I may love football. I may also be a good footballer, who understands the game and has the skill to make it big. But, unless I'm desperate to be the best in the world I will never realise my true potential.

Simply put, it is a deep desperation for the Holy Spirit that invites revival. Without a desperation for it, we will witness revival, but never experience it!

On the day of Pentecost, the disciples were desperate for God. The Lord Jesus had just ascended into heaven and the void that remained in His disciples' lives made them desperate for a touch from Above. It was the catalyst that released an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Having said that , we must position ourselves to receive the move God, otherwise we will be like the Pharisees, who missed the Saviour and, later, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

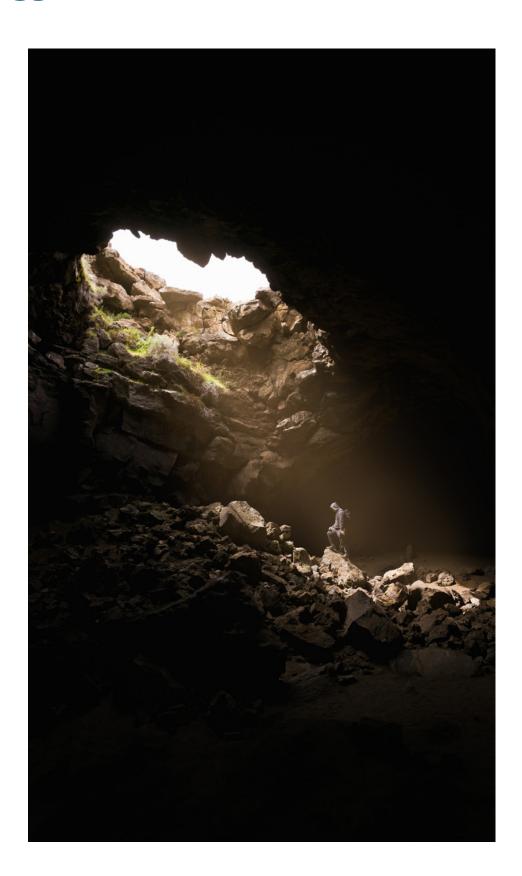
Finally, it is God who decides when and where to release the baptism of the Holy Spirit. No man can generate revival or a move of God.



### What is the biggest hindrance to revival?

There are a handful of hindrances to revival. Amongst these, 4 stand out like sore thumbs. They are:

- 1. Permitting our pride and carnality to corrupt the truth of God's Word, which stops us from having a Father-child relationship with God, and creates a barrier that hinders us from fully depending on Him.
- 2. When church is viewed as just another man-made building or a people-led organisation, it displaces the congregation from a position where revival is accessible.
- 3. We cannot stress enough on the need for the unadulterated Word of God to empower revival. Abstract revelations and baseless knowledge that contradict God's Word are simply unacceptable. Also, sugar-coating God's principles results in cavities that shelter satan's occupying forces, and eventually leads to decay.
- 4. Faith is the great enabler of revival. It is impossible to please God without faith because we cannot fully depend on Him and His divine plans for our lives. The Lord Jesus is the author and finisher of our faith!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

6<sup>TH</sup> OCT (SUNDAY) Holy Communion Sunday

14<sup>TH</sup> SEP, 28<sup>TH</sup> SEP, 12<sup>TH</sup> OCT & 26<sup>TH</sup> OCT (SATURDAY)
Baptism Class & Service - 4 PM & 5:30 PM

14<sup>TH</sup> SEP (SATURDAY) Teens Church - 5 PM

28<sup>TH</sup> SEP (SATURDAY) Membership Class - 5 PM

30<sup>TH</sup> SEP & 31<sup>ST</sup> OCT Midnight Prayer - 10:30 PM

16<sup>TH</sup> - 19<sup>TH</sup> OCT (WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY) Fasting Prayer

# THE 3 R'S THAT LEAD TO THE BIG RREVIVAL

Do you want to get back your wasted years? Experience an outpouring of the Holy Spirit?

Fall in love with the Lord Jesus?

Pastor Danny cracks the code to Revival. All we need to do is follow these **3 simple R's...** 



Stay tuned for an eye-opening message by Pastor Danny on Bethel AG's Facebook/Whatsapp/Instagram/YouTube pages





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## FORGING ETERNAL FRIENDSHIPS



Bethel AG's Teens' Church is known to answer some real hard hitting questions! Last time they tackled the topic of 'Friendship' and its lasting effect on teens. From picking the appropriate friends to nurturing these friendships, we empower our youth to make the right choices. But, when it comes to a best friend, it has to be the Lord Jesus because no one can love us unconditionally, like Him. Sublime talent was once again on show as the teens entertained the audience with a skit on the life of King David. All in all, the teens of Bethel AG sure know how to make us, non-teenagers, envious of the fun they have at the Teens' Church!





# Kids Church

#### The call of Bezaleel

His soul danced to the sound of beats. He was snared by the snare drum, captivated by the tom-toms, and driven by the thumping bass drum and clanging cymbal.

With a flair for percussion in his heart and drumsticks in his hands he arrived at the Kids' Church to display his skills. What happened next turned his world upside down. But, he learned that drums sounded better when his eyes were fixed on heaven!



Stay tuned for the short movie on Bethel AG's Facebook/Whatsapp/Instagram/YouTube pages.

**"THEREFORE WE DO NOT LOSE** HEART. THOUGH OUTWARDLY WE ARE **WASTING AWAY,** YET INWARDLY ARE BEING DAY BY DAY."

2 Corinthians 4:16

## HAPPENINGS AT CHURCH

#### **NEW BORNS**

WE REJOICE WHEN GOD BLESSES FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN



Harian & Yogitha

Anu Pallavi & Chanchal



Susy & Thomas



Soniya & Vijay



Sharon & Angel



Teena & Joshua



Aruna & Nanda



Jencil Raj & Monika

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE PARENTS!

### **JUST MARRIED**

AND THE LORD SAID IT IS GOOD!

### LET'S CELEBRATE THE JOYOUS UNION OF THESE BLESSED COUPLES IN THE PAST TWO MONTHS



Immanuel & Sharon



Sathya Pal & Leena



Ashwini & Edison

### **HOUSE WARMINGS**

GOD IS THE FOUNDER AND ARCHITECT OF THIS BUILDING



Smitha & Family



Merolin & Shanno



Srinivas Pai & Family



Sunil & Sunitha



Kimi & Family



Sunil & Anisha

### **FUNERALS**

PROMOTED TO GLORY

### WENT TO BE WITH THE LORD IN THE PAST TWO MONTHS



Bro. D. Aruldass



Sis. Beula

"I will put My Spirit
within you
and you will come to life..."

Ezekiel 37:14





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