

New Jersey Telugu Christians Host Bro. Anil Kumar. Two other eminent preachers also speak to the NJ Community

Bro. Anil Kumar – a youthful firebrand preacher and prominent businessman revisited New Jersey with a renewed message of gospel to the predominantly telugu christian community there recently. Bro. Anil Kumar preaching

love. When we receive Jesus we become the "sons" of God . John 1:12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. He spoke about who we are in Christ, that we become "the righteousness of God" because of Jesus and what He did for us on the cross. Since God made us righteous

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Bro. Anil Kumar with Phanirajakumar [Joshua] & Syam Pilli.

Bro. Anil Kumar greeting church congregants

at United Evangelical Christian Fellowship Church in Metuchen, New Jersey. Bro. Anil Kumar emphasized that he wants to share what the real gospel in order to give a clear picture of who God really is. Bro. Anil said "Old testament or "Old covenant" is a shadow of the "new covenant". When we see a person's shadow we can only perceive little about a person so also Moses's law gives only a glimpse about living God but when we see Jesus we get a clear understanding of who God is. God is love. 1 John 4:8 Whoever does not love does not know God, because "God is love". Bro. Anil Kumar said Gospel means good news, telling the world that God loves them. And that the goodness of God leads a sinner to repentance. As outlined in Romans 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and long suffering, not knowing that "the goodness of God leads you to repentance"? Citing the Prodigal son's parable, Bro. Anil Kumar said the problem was not explaining to the Father but it was the brother's hard heartedness, so also there are many in the church who find fault with others while The Father shows

through Jesus we have to be "righteous conscious" just as we were "sin conscious" before we came to Christ. All through our lives we have been listening to messages

Mr. Abby, Mr. Ravi Rapaka, Mr. Joshua (Phani) Pilli, Rev. Dr. David Ravinder, Mr. Vijay Benedict, Mr. Samuel Sudhakar Chilaka, Rev. Immanuel Desai.

about sin and condemnation and so our minds have become sin conscious exalting sin and law. But now since we are made righteous through our faith in Jesus and His sacrifice we have to

become "righteousness-conscious" and give God the glory and praise (for His grace) instead of exalting sin and law. Bro. Anil Kumar further spoke about the importance of Holy Communion. He said Lord Jesus asked us to remember Him when we partake in The Holy communion. So we ought to remember His love and sacrifice and give Him thanks instead of being sin-conscious and taking part in an unworthy manner

by

Mr. Kiran Devabhakthula, Mr. Rakshan Kumar Pedamuthevi, Mr. Nishanth Dwaram, Mr. Joshua (Phani) Pilli, Rev. Dr. B. C. Paul, Mr. Samuel Sudhakar Chillaka, Mr. David Merigala, Mr. B. Samuel, Mr. Ravi Rapaka, Mr. Paul Gummadi, Mr. Joseph Marapatla

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Unprecedented Women's Retreat in Chicago Fosters Unity and Inspires Faith

The 2010 Women's Prayer Song (Bhajan) was done Prayers done by Mrs. Lata Gosu, and is available with
Retreat was held at by Women of CSI – Wesley Kasa, Mrs. Issachar and Mrs. special personal request.
CSI Wesley Church Church, asking for God's Jaya Bandi. Needs in families, Another personal testimony
Chicago, 7400 W. Foster Ave., help in daily Christian walk. communities, nations, and was shared by Mrs. Sashikala
Chicago, on Oct. 16th. About Morning Devotion was done the whole world were prayed Azariah on how GOD is
100 women from Chicago and by Dr. Ida Madhuram, who for. Indeed, Jesus encouraged helping her lead many women
Suburbs participated in the taught us how to direct our us to pray for others as well into prayerful lives; here in the
3rd Annual Women's Retreat. focus onto GOD ALMIGHTY as for self in our journey. nation and also internationally.
The Retreat Coordinator Rev. when we pray. Solo Prayer After a brief coffee-break, She is a shining star running to
Dr. Elsie Sabbithi, well known Song showing us God's love, personal testimony on become a super star of Jesus.

in Indian community, put in was beautifully done by her journey, from Mom's CSI Wesley Church honored
all her heart for the success Mrs. Rani Butt. The Gospel LIQUID-PRAYERS to her Mrs. Suguna Vallabdas with
of the Retreat. Rev. Dr. Elsie singers were praying all along own LIQUID-PRAYERS, "Woman of the Year" Award,
Sabbithi is Women's Study for Spirit-filling, which was was touchingly shared by Dr. for her ongoing efforts to grow
Leader at CSI Wesley Church indeed seen throughout the day. Valli Nagelli. The session Christian Women for the glory
Chicago. Her daughter, Miss 15-minute Prayer Workshop moved onto Congregational of God. She is an excellent
Beta Sabbithi is growing in her was done by Mrs. Anita Praise and Worship songs. role model for Christian
likeness. Our GOD is great. Kadamandla to refresh Prayer Skit written by Mrs. wives. She plans to attend
2010 theme – What Happens women's memory on Godly Annie Sally, led by Mrs. 2011 Women's Retreat too.
When Women Pray – was well Woman's Prayers vs Worldly Prayer Skit written by Mrs. Morning session ended with
presented throughout the day Women's Prayers. During the workshop, there were about songs by Dr. Sudha Nittala,
by the chosen women of Jesus. 25 winners in 5-minutes. The especially when the women's a pioneer in Telugu Christian
The session started at 08:30am next 10-minutes were spent prayers kept their hidden us to read her Telugu
with Registration by Miss sending SELF-PRAYERS Bible in a hot oven unburnt ! translated book on "Hell"
Sanjana Bandrapalli and Miss to GOD. 77 Pink creative Finally, came the eagerly- written by Ms. Mary Baxter
Rachel Kadamandla. Opening prayer was done by Rev. Page-markers were given waited and Spirit-led message
Solomon Sudhakar who prayed as reminders to keep praying of Rev. Dr. Lilly Daniel on
for special blessings for the for SELF, for each to become Power of Bible Women's
day. Welcome note was done Remarkable Woman of God. Prayer. The Telugu message is
by Dr. Valli Nagelli. Group Everyone loved Intercessory videotaped by Mrs. Josephene

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Antioch Telugu Baptist Church Celebrates 19th Anniversary

The Antioch Telugu Baptist Church celebrated its 19th anniversary at a special worship service on Sunday, October 17, 2010 in North Lake, Illinois. A special anniversary service complete with special

Baptist Church. The Church takes pride as the first Telugu Baptist Church planted in USA through the American Baptist churches of USA and having its affiliation with the American Baptist Churches of USA foster closer ties with Christians around Greater Chicago and suburbs and to introduce to our children and youth the Christian values and the tradition of worship.

Pastor David [Dadhipogu] Sagar in a statement said "Our thoughts turn in with deep

appreciation and gratitude to said Pastor David Sagar. the unwavering commitment Surendra Charles, Church and dedication of our members Lay Leader said that during who lit the torch of Antioch the brief record of Antioch Telugu Baptist Church that Telugu Baptist church, since its inception, we had more than 25 baptisms and several child dedication ceremonies took

songs, cake-cutting ceremony and Sunday school children presentations were part of this celebrations and a retrospective look of the history of the Baptist Telugu by Pastor David Dadipogu Sagar. The members and leaders of the church are excited and looking forward to celebrating the completion of 20 years next year with a grand celebrations that is actively being planned. Taking a retrospective look, Pastor David Sagar presented a historical overview of the Antioch Telugu Baptist Church that was planted on October 13, 1991. The Church includes a core group of dedicated members

nationally and regionally with American Baptist Churches of Metro Chicago. The culture of the congregation is embedded in the rich Indian Christian heritage. At Antioch Telugu Baptist Church they cater to the spiritual needs of three generations segmented by the age groups of 60's, 40's and 20's and lower. Antioch Telugu Baptist church is dedicated to minister the Word of God to

not only from Chicago but extended to the neighboring state Wisconsin. Antioch Telugu Baptist Church is blessed with highly talented Indian classical musicians and singers". We have performed

place for which we thank God for our pastor Rev. David Sagar who is a spirit filled, seasoned and dedicated pastor. Dr. Jayachand Pallekonda, leading church leader said that Rev. David Sagar (Dadhipogu Vidya Sagar) is the founder pastor of the Antioch Telugu Baptist Church. He planted Antioch Telugu Baptist Church in 1991 October 13,1991 along with 21 core group members consisting of different denominational backgrounds said Pallekonda. Some of the early founding members of the Antioch Telugu Baptist Church include the Charles family, Mallela family, Nittala family including late Mr. Sali and Mr. Ravoori Joseph.

from different denominational backgrounds which consists of Baptist, Methodist, Lutheran, Wesleyan, Pentecostal and Hebron, migrated from India who joined in unity of purpose to establish a distinct Telugu the Indian Community with the increased sensitivity to the needs of the Telugu Christian in Chicago and Suburban areas. Our purpose is to provide Christian fellowship to the cross section of Indians, to several Gospel musical concerts for God's glory. Last year we have performed 'Andhra Christian Hymnal' concert. We have fostered the rich Indian heritage and demonstrated the Gospel interpretation

Chicago Telugu Church features Two Speakers from India

The India Mission Telugu United Methodist Church in Oak Park, Illinois had an enhanced celebrations of featuring two gifted speakers Rev. M. Reefath Kumar and Rev. Sudhakar Vallabhdas early this month. Both these visiting pastors were warmly received by church Ministry Department, which if founded by Dr.Chiranjeevi. He said his purpose in life is learning to walk in the path of great American Preachers like Dr.D.L.Moody.Taking the text from Numbers 14-24, he said many a time we only remember the great people from Bible like Caleb from whose life we can be inspired to attempt to Bible; hence we can also by imbibing simple traits of those people be awarded by our Lord in our individual lives.The other speaker was Rev.Sudhakar of "Vision 20/20" Ministry which runs an orphanage and Micro-financing Ministry at Hyderabad to help the small Churches become self helping independent Churches without were made to understand that it is not just the duty of pastors to evangelize but of every true believer. For this purpose he said his Church put thrust upon preaching the gospel in their life style and thus train those who have a desire to become witnesses of Christ, to win the new souls in one year. The three motives of Antioch

leaders Suresh Maddela, Mr. & Mrs.Thomas Polepaka,Edward Maddela and Smt. Suguna VallabhdasPerhaps our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ wanted to show the Telugu Christians of Greater Chicago how much renewal of minds and hearts they need for dedication to His service, that he made it possible to have two visiting preachers from India to speak on Sunday, the 10th day of October at India Mission Telugu Methodist Church, Oak Park, Illinois. The first one speak was Rev. M.Reefath Kumar representing "Seva Bharat" of India as National Training Coordinator of Children follow the Lord when we make them our spiritual idols in life. We can also be awarded by the Lord in the same way. The distinct traits of Caleb's life were that, first he had a different spirit due to which he loved God whole heartedly in his own testimony. Secondly Caleb's characteristic was in his life of surrender to his commitment of loving the Lord. Thirdly his testimony was authenticated by the God himself when He rewarded Caleb with a great inheritance of the land of Hebron. Though these simple characteristics Caleb were listed as an unsung hero of the always depending on others. In his message he revealed the secret behind the growth of any Church that dreams of becoming a self helping Church.Taking his text from the Book of Acts, Chapter eleven and verses twenty one to twenty nine. He explained how his own Antioch Church at Amberpet, Hyderabad has now become torch bearer, a leading example for Churches that wants to become self helping Church.The secret he explained was that his Church has trained many people how to win souls by establishing care cells to look after evangelism because the people Church are to help people to born again spiritually, to inculcate in the devoted passion for winning souls and thus let people comprehend that when they become giving people they do not have to always depend on others, but they themselves can become self helping people.Hence in order to enjoy bliss in our life, though enjoying material prosperity in this country, we have to learn to give; for God's principle of showering blessings on those givers will never fail.

By
Johnson Paul Jogunoori

Dr. Sudha Nittala Honored for her Telugu Literary Work

Dr. Sudha Nittala a noted Telugu Christian author and an outstanding literary scholar was honored at an International Event on Telugu Literary Symposium hosted jointly by Vanguri Foundation of America and Greater Indianapolis Telugu Association [GITA] in Indianapolis in Indiana earlier in October. This International Telugu Literary Symposium was attended by

many scholars not only in Telugu literature but also in different areas of research from all over USA and abroad. Dr. Sudha Ratnanjali Nittala received a special recognition for her work in Telugu literature and for her writings. At this event, Dr. Nittala's PhD thesis, "A Comparative Study of Hindu and Christian Hymnology" was released as a book by Dr. Akkiraju

Sundara Ramakrishna, Dr. Vanguri Chitten Raju and Dr. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad, M.P. (India)

Dr. Sudha Nittala, in a statement, said that this area of expertise is always dominated by our Hindu friends, but we made a difference by speaking about our Triune God and Christian Hymns and Keerthanas. Dr. Sudha with her educational background in Carnatic Music spoke about her

work in Hindu and Christian Hymnology and presented her vocal music in the form of Christian Hymns amidst applause. Dr. Sudha Nittala, who is married to Mr. Samuel Nittala, has earned Master's degree in Telugu and Sanskrit from Andhra University and later secured M.Phil in distinction from Madras University and then went on to obtain Ph.D from Central University in Hyderabad, India.

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Unprecedented Women's Retreat in Chicago Fosters Unity and Inspires Faith

God bless many male helpers we had. Women couldn't have done without the help of these special helpers. Special thanks to Mr. Paul Butt, President of CSI Wesley Church. God's blessings also on children Gamma Sabbithi, Noel Kadamandla, Jeremy Gosu, Japheth Bandi, Jared Bandi, Jaden Bandi, Katelyn Butt, Matthew Butt, Nathan Paturi and Anna Paturi. Thanks to Rev. David Augustine, Rev. Thomas Pollepaka, Mr. Sharat Paturi, Mr. Wesley Nagelli, our Presbyter-in-charge Rev. Solomon Sudhakar, and many all-time helpers. Thanks to Mrs. Esther Kurella, Mrs. Elizabeth Nagelli, Mrs. Sashikala Sangha for sponsoring Retreat lunch without which there wouldn't be an afternoon session. God bless each one for their participation, contribution and support - big and small.

Afternoon session started with prayer by Mrs. Leena Pothula. Thank God for her prayerful life; many lives are changing because of her and her daughter Mrs. Joyce Doma. Psalm 23 Song by Mrs. Grace Paturi showed us her assurance and her personal relationship with GOD. The session moved on to The Steps of Prayer by Mrs. Subhadra Vipparthi who stressed on how important it is to seek His will and His kingdom in our everyday lives. She shared her new perspective on The Lord's Prayer. The highlight of the afternoon session was The Holistic Wellness Workshop done by Mrs. Satya Sudhakar assisted by her daughter Miss. Neema Sudhakar. Practical tips were given by workshop leader Mrs Satya Sudhakar. Mrs. Jemima Manohar and many other prominent women shared their

wisdom so that all women may lead a life with Spiritual, Physical, Psychological, and Financial Balance. There was consensus that only with Jesus all things are possible; when we seek Him all these will be added to us. Purposeful and Powerful was the message with slogan of Mrs. Myra Lapinski - NO JESUS, NO PRAYER. Mrs. Myra Lapinski is leading a transformed life, and serving God-given community with joy and burden. One memorable testimony was shared by Mrs. Deloris Sillins. She testified that GOD heard her prayers and healed her grand-daughter's congenital heart illness. Glory be to our GOD. Yes, testimonies are for the glory of GOD alone. Special feature of 2010 Retreat: Christian Book Sale. Thanks to all buyers: Mrs. Deloris Sillins,

Mrs. Pramila Madella, Mrs. Prasoon Bandi, Mrs. Siphora Gulla, Mrs. Zeruya Gaddam, Mrs. Padma Kommu, Mrs. Bhagya William, Mrs. Rani Butt, Mrs. Valli Nagelli, Mrs. Lata Sangha, Mrs. Veni Wallace and few others. The fastest sold book was - PRAYERS OF A GODLY WOMAN by Freeman-Smith. May GOD help us understand. I am convinced that many lives have been touched by the Retreat: Mrs. Suguna Bandi, Mrs. Phebe Patluri, Mrs. Sashikala Kommu, Mrs. Rosalin Chettipalli, Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Chettipalli, Mrs. Bushpaka, Mrs. Mercy Chettipalli and many favorite women. Thank GOD for these wonderful women of GOD. They are a blessing to many women. by Anita Kadamandla

Mr. Rohit Ryan Paul son of Dr. Regi & Mrs. Rita Paul and Dr. Sharon Swetha Vippula were married on Saturday October 30, 2010 at Grace Chapel in Lexington, Massachusetts. The Wedding was performed by Rev. Brad Smith, the Pastor of Bethel Baptist Church of Schaumburg, Illinois who traveled from Chicago to Boston and Rev. Paul of Grace Fellowship Church of Nashua, New Hampshire.

After the church wedding, a glittering dinner-reception ceremony followed that was generously permeated with delicious culinary delights, music and dance at the Marriot Hotel. The wedding attracted a host of dignitaries and celebrities, relatives and friends coming from all across the United States including of Florida, California, New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Michigan and a large contingent of guests from Chicago. Several elders and relatives came from India, New Zealand, England and couples also received best wishes from India, England and Australia. Rohit Paul classmates from Ave Maria Law School of Florida, Michigan Law School, Kent Law School and Loyola University of Chicago attended the Wedding at Boston.

The highlight of the wedding was that three grand mothers of wedding couple were present at the wedding ceremony and blessed the couple. The bride's grand mother Mrs. Magdalena Benjamin wife of late Mr. V. L. Benjamin traveled from India to witness the marriage. The bridegroom's grand mothers, Mrs. Santhosham Charles, the wife of late Mr. Sydney T. Charles traveled with Oxygen bottle attached to her in the flight. She was accompanied by a special nurse under the supervision of Dr. Reena Paul. The third grand mother Mrs. Siromani Amberpeta from Florida also attended and blessed newly wedded couples. The historical wedding ceremony was followed by a spectacular reception at Marriott Hotel. Over 400 people attended the wedding reception and treated to music and dance. In the preceding weekend, a dazzling "Sangeet Ceremony" was hosted by his sister Dr. Reena Paul at her Hoffman Estates residence in Illinois. This colorful event attracted a large 'wall-to-wall' attendance from the Telugu Christian community of Chicago. Padma Mehta enthralled the guests with her fine musical selections singing late into the night.

Mr. Rohit Paul is recently nominated for President Law and Management Fellowship in Washington DC from IIT Kent Law School of Chicago. Mr. Rohit Paul was also recognized by Chicago Center for Legal Aid and Instruction and was given "Excellent Award" for Law Service by Legal Community of Chicago.

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One-Day Christian Retreat Hosted in Chicago

*(From LtoR) Rev. John Bushi, Rev. Shadrach
Katari Rev. Solomon Raju, Samuel Nittala*

Bethesda Telugu church Members

A One-Day Christian Retreat was hosted at Bethesda Telugu Church under the leadership of Rev. Shadrach Katari, Rev John Bushi and Samuel Nittala attracted a cross-section of youth, elder and women attendees. This spirit-filled One Day Retreat featured a special guest speaker Rev. Solomon Raju Kunchanapalli a gifted preacher from Vijayawada, India who is also known for his in-depth sermons on the end times and the second coming of Lord Jesus Christ. The retreat commenced with an opening prayer offered by Rev. Thomas Polepaka and later Dr .Sudha Nittala led the singing. This was followed by some of the elders of the Bethesda Telugu Church who joined in welcoming the guests of the retreat.

Rev. Shadrach Katari, Pastor presided over the retreat and introduced the speaker Rev. Solomon Raju. He said that Rev. Solomon Raju Kunchanapalli is gifted preacher brought forth the true meaning. The key word taken from Revelation 8;1 His Scholarly sermons

are currently happenings around the world are connected to the Bible prophesies. He ministers not only in India but also in USA, UK, and Holy Land His sermons are being televised in Subhavaartha Telugu TV Channel; He also has youth ministry and 24/7 Prayer tower ministry. Rev. Solomon Raju also conducted open air gospel meetings. Rev. Solomon Raju Kunchanapalli said that he hails from a priestly family is the president of House of Israel located in Vijayawada, A.P. India. He recalls a life-changing accident when he began shouldering the responsibility of evangelism. But he reaffirms that Almighty God has miraculously saved his life and then pressed on him to be a fishers of men. Rev. Solomon Raju responded to God's call and ever since never looked back. The retreat was closed with a prayer offered by David Sudharshan which was followed by benediction by Rev. Shadrach Katari. Dr. Sudha Nittala and Samuel Nittala sponsored Lunch.

Upcoming Events

Chicago's Minister undertakes a Mission trip to India

Agape India International Ministries's Archbishop Jacob Agepog along with his wife undertook a 'Mission with Vision' trip to India to showcase their support to a High School and an Orphanage in Sedam near Tandur which is located 150 km from Hyderabad. Bishop Agepog's visit also included reaching out to the

people of that town with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Bishop Jacob Agepog said that he is delighted at the opportunity to share the Word of God at Sedam Methodist Church and also visited Yadgir where he ordained two Pastors. He also visited Emmanuel

Church, where the church has an after-school program for the poor children. They helped the kids with their homework, organized a worship service and feed them dinner ministering to 500 plus children. Archbishop

Agepog was invited to speak at Centenary Methodist English Church, Hyderabad morning and evening Services, Zaherabad Central Methodist Church and at staff devotions at Joyce Mayers Asia Head Quarters, Hyderabad. Archbishop Agepog and his wife distributed shoes to the children at Zaherabad gifted by Samaritan's Purse.

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