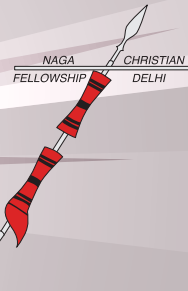


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EDITORIAL

"¹⁴ But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him. ¹⁵ For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing." 2 Corinthians 2:14-15

Turning over a new leaf, the team is delighted to have another exceptional issue and having the gist as Blessings 2017. As a team, we are enthralled with the kind of response that we received from each of the contributors and for their willingness to articulate how they are blessed and a blessing. The substance of the team and the issue is to be

contemporary and be a servant of God for we are to understand how God works in every individual's life so that we remain rooted in Him in this changing world.

These pages will help you understand better and more importantly how we should be a commission of Christ wherever we are and the favour that we receive from God in the aftermath.

This time we got the opportunity to hear from our brother and friend Jay Orvis who has been an active participant in our preceding annual camps since 2011.

In this issue, may you realize the different episodes of blessings that NCF Delhi is immersed in. We hope you will be an aroma of Christ that has a purpose to spread the fragrance to others.

SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING

"Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people." Colossians 3:23



– Rev. Dr. Noulezhalie Ricky Medom,
Pastor, Naga Christian Fellowship, Delhi

committed to following Christ on a daily basis. He also 'puts his money where his mouth is' by giving away almost 50% of his \$14 million/year salary to Church missions & charities, a promise he and his wife had made early in his career. Listen to what he says:

"I believe we all work for God, not for a boss or for the president of the company. My highest priority is my daily time with God. I make time to pray wherever I may be. When I travel, I have my prayer time on the way to the airport. It's a 45 minute drive and I start by singing a few hymns and then pray through the ACTS acronym (acknowledgment, confession, thanksgiving, supplication), which is a popular form of prayer... I also live as a clear witness to my faith. I'm out of the closet and identify myself clearly as a Christian. When someone asks me "why aren't you golfing on Sundays?" I don't deflect the question. I say, 'I've decided to prioritise my relationship with God and I'm committed to being in church.'"

– Pat Gelsinger, CEO VMware.

Patrick "Pat" Gelsinger is the Director & CEO of a \$4.6 billion hardware Technology company in Silicon Valley, California, USA. Gelsinger grew up in a Church going family in rural America but it was only after he went to Silicon Valley that his faith became very real. And since then he has become a man who takes seriously what the Bible says and is

We must realize that all of life relates to God and there is no such thing as Sacred and Secular. We are all called to serve our Lord full time whether in sacred or secular vocation. We often divide our lives into two disconnected parts where God is in one spiritual dimension, the sacred, and our work is on another dimension, the secular. We create compartments in our life and confine God in one corner and then think we can do whatever we like without God in the other compartments.

This worldview leaves God out of the most important aspects of our lives, the so called Secular where in fact we are told to be Salt and Light in this world, full of decay and corruption. This is sad and tragic because God calls us Christians to make Him the centre of our lives. He wants us to involve Him in every aspect of our life and wherever it is that we are placed.

We are called to different vocations to do that. And it is wrong to think there are sacred, Godly things we do and there are secular worldly things we do.



SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING

It all boils down to what is in our hearts. We can be working in what looks like sacred vocation as a Pastor, Evangelist, Missionary, etc. with a dark, self-centered, unforgiving spirit. Or you can engage at a 'secular' job in an environment where conversations are littered with profanity, where jealousy, envy leads to wearisome intrigues and politics and yet like Daniel or Joseph maintain a reputation beyond reproach. You can bring honour and

glory to God in a very worldly secular environment.

To make the most of our job and be happy in our work is a gift God wants to give us. Being happy in our work doesn't depend on the work, it depends on our attitude. God has created everything beautiful and so we should value them. The natural world that God created is as real as the Spiritual world that we look forward to enter into one day. So to think

that the vocational full time Christian service (Sacred) is more important than physical, secular work is definitely not a biblically sound doctrine. God sees everything we do and He appreciates it and will reward us regardless of the type of work we do. Our whole mindset will change when we realize that even the most menial work is done as we do it as a labour of love and worship for Jesus!

PARENTS' PAGE



– **Dr. Angelynn Singh,**
*a Consultant in Reproductive Medicine
and Infertility, St. Stephen's Hospital, Delhi*

Q. Most times we desire the blessings and not the Blessor. Can you relate to that with personal experiences?

God loves us and wants to bless us, but He does it in His own way- according to His will and in His time - not ours. Many a times, we seek God only to get things from Him instead of simply wanting a relationship from Him. It is not wrong to seek help, healing or blessings from God. In Matthew 7:11 we read "If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him?" God receives glory when He does for us what we cannot do for ourselves. But when we focus on the blessings, we want God

to give us more than we focus on God himself, the blessings we're hoping for become like idols in our life, drawing our attention away from God and toward our own desires.

"Seeking God Himself rather than His blessings" — I learnt this principle at a very young age in my life. Growing up in a family of believing parents, I was always taught to seek God and His will in every aspect of my life. When I was finishing my high school, I was faced with making one of the most difficult decisions. I had to decide which career to pursue. As any young teenager, I had so many desires and aspirations but my parents always taught me to pray and seek God's will and not just provide God with my list of requirements; expecting Him to fulfill them all. One morning, while I was praying, I heard a voice telling me "You are going to be a missionary doctor." Startled, I opened my eyes only to find myself alone with no one else in the room.

I heard this voice two more times and then there was silence. I was surprised as well as disturbed as this was nowhere on my list. I cried to the Lord and told Him that I was willing to obey if this was really His voice and asked for a confirmation, and the Lord graciously did confirm it to me through a dream He revealed to my mother. Through this experience, the Lord taught me that if I really wanted to seek Him and His kingdom and not just material blessings from Him, I needed to obey Him wholeheartedly and allow His Lordship over my life.

This was the beginning in my journey of seeking God and His will for me rather

than just the desire for His blessings. Over the years, I realized that seeking God and His will enables us to love Him unconditionally in contrast to loving Him only when we receive something good from Him. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego; exiles in a foreign land, refused to worship the Golden image EVEN IF their God did not save them from the fiery furnace. Also, receiving blessings FROM God may lead to temporary contentment, but receiving God Himself IN our lives leads to an eternal transformation. Out of the ten lepers who came to receive healing, nine came only to get a blessing but the tenth met the Blessor and went back a changed person.

Actually, we need not waste our time and efforts in seeking blessings from God if we follow a simple two-point formula given in the scripture:

1. Seek FIRST His kingdom and His righteousness; "and all these things shall be added to you." Matthew 6:33.
2. Delight yourself IN the Lord; "And He will give you the desires of your heart," Psalm 37:4. So, receiving blessings from God is a by-product of seeking Him and delighting in Him.

Today, wherever we stand regarding this question, let's resolve before God to grow up in our relationship with Him. Let's seek "the Blessor" and not just the blessings, God himself and not just His benefits. Because only when we do this does our life change, we will never be the same as before, also we will be able to partake in the wedding feast with our bridegroom when He comes in all glory.

Vocātiō : the Christian's summon

"What is your calling?" in the Christian circle this may be a common query for the youths. The origin of the word vocational comes from the word Vocātiō, which in Latin means 'calling.' The Church believes that each and every individual is made for a purpose. In as much as we exist, we are given a task to live out. This task is your calling. Your calling is therefore, 'how' you reach to the world to share the faith. Here are two professionals who have been faithful to their calling. Be blessed as they share their thoughts about their workplace and life.



Q. As Christians we are all always under close watch for there are many who wish to see us make mistakes. Being a model, it must be even more difficult for you. How do you tackle this and remain strong in your faith while constantly facing critical onlookers?

Yes, being a model in a Christian society is definitely not easy. It is very tough to be oneself because one is constantly being judged on what one does for a living, instead of who a person is. People judge models on his/her outer appearance rather than on who he/she really is, as a human being. Many a time, this profession is looked down upon without the realization that it is like any other job and not just a lifestyle.

It is very difficult to tackle such situations in any way. But over the years, I have realized that nobody is perfect and that one can never please everyone. So, one should only focus on God and Him alone. If one does that, however difficult the circumstances may be, it becomes easier to face the critical onlookers and be happy from the inside. So now in life, if I get attacked verbally or criticized, I do not take it personally as much as I used to before and try my best to leave everything to God in prayer.

– **Ketholeno Kense, a Supermodel**



Q. What inspired you to take this unique profession? What is the most memorable adventure God has taken you through in your work?

Growing up, I wanted to be a doctor and look after the sick and dying but God had other plans for me and I ended up looking after the dead! I also loved flowers and gardening, so after my graduation, I decided to follow my passion and undertook a specialised course in Floriculture to become a full-time gardener, growing various cut

flowers in Kohima. Later on, I joined the Horticulture Department, Nagaland as Technical Assistant and trained people on commercial floriculture. In 2008, I got the opportunity to work for the Commonwealth War Graves Commission as Manager of Guwahati War Cemetery and Digboi War Cemetery. It was a job I had dreamt of, as the Commission is known for high standard of horticulture maintenance in its cemeteries and memorials. I have always believed that pursuing anything you are passionate about will bring contentment in what you do. Today I am happy that God has helped turn my hobby into a profession!

In 2011, I was assigned with the task of renovating the WWI Graves in India, also called the India Cantonment Project, over a period of 5 years. The project was spread over 130+ sites all over India. Since the maintenances of these cemeteries were outsourced to local churches, I had the opportunity to work with more than 50 churches and their leaders. It was a mixture of both good and bad experiences but it did show me how in spite of various difficulties and prosecutions, there are church leaders who are working hard to spread the Gospel. But in all honesty, every day is memorable. I am blessed with opportunities every day, opportunities, which inspire and challenge me to grow for which I am constantly grateful to our greatest Enabler.

– **Kenei Sekhose, Sector Manager India, Commonwealth War Graves Commission**



Sound and Physical Arrangement Team



The Sound and Physical Arrangement team is another blessing to the family of NCF Delhi, a dedicated team quietly and diligently serving God as best as they can with their time, strength and skills.

Here are a few insights from some of the team members about their experiences.

VIKUOHEO CHIIPUO,

— a student of Music, Delhi School of Music

It is always a blessing to work for the house of the Lord. God doesn't look for the best person to work for Him, but looks for the person who presents himself willingly.

Being part of the Physical Arrangement team has always been a challenge for me. Our motives, why we do what we do, make all the difference, sometimes it's easy for us to feel trapped by our Sunday routine because anything can become monotonous when we can't see a larger purpose. But when we focus on being a blessing, God makes sure that we are blessed. At the end of the day, we feel content knowing that we are a part of the making of the Church.

THIAMBUNG INKA

It has been a privilege and a great experience to help out NCF Delhi. Along with a feeling of being rewarded and fulfilled, it has allowed me to inculcate positive behaviour, build strong friendships, promote patience, and bring a sense of joy and peace. Helping the church has changed my attitude about serving the Lord and it has taught me to be more and more like Jesus. Overall, it's a real blessing to serve the church.

KHYOUBUO POU

I joined the team about a year ago. And in the beginning, to be honest, I didn't much like the fact that I had to get my hands dirty every Sunday and sweat profusely in Delhi's long summer months. I was full of

complaints about this 'job'. However, as time passed, I realized how privileged I am to be in this position to serve the Lord and give back (in a little way) to a church that has taught and encouraged me so much over the years. I now find it a great source of joy to be working with a bunch of young and enthusiastic people in our team. I really thank God for this realization and the Church for this opportunity.



SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

A group of individuals dedicate their love for God by sharing His Word with the youngest members of His family every Sunday.

We've asked a few of the teachers to share some insights —

How has teaching the Word of God helped you in understanding the Word of God even better?

I teach the Senior Sunday school children who are all in their teenage years and who come armed with many questions and even more answers in every class that I take with them.

I feel this great sense of responsibility because these are the foundational years when their personalities are starting to take shape and their characters are being moulded. As young children studying in a big city like Delhi, when you are considered a minority both religiously and ethnically, it is crucial that their foundation is firm and the only firm

foundation any of us can have is Jesus as our Rock. I have been moved to think more, read the Word of God even more. Auntie Vining introduced me to the Daily Walk Bible and using this daily devotional has helped me a lot in our class discussions.

The children that I teach are all smart, intelligent and curious so I can't take a chance of boring them 😊 (But at times I am quite sure I do since there are many generation gaps between the teacher and the students), I need to be updated! Our conversations and discussions are also varied including examination of issues like racial



How is it like to make up for all the time you had missed attending Sunday School by becoming a teacher?

Well, it is ironic to say that a Sunday school teacher had never attended Sunday school during his childhood. As a child, I always wondered what other kids did in Sunday school because I never got the opportunity to attend it. My father's profession took us to places where there was either no church or it was far away. So, my family had our own fellowship at home on Sundays. I was also put in a boarding school after my 3rd standard where there was no opportunity to attend Sunday school.

Even though I couldn't attend Sunday school as a child, being a teacher now enables me to experience Sunday school in a new way. I now have the chance to share my understanding about the word

of God which I had received through the bible studies since 2012 with pastor and auntie and also through the various sermons delivered during the Sunday service. As a Sunday school teacher, I get to learn new things from the students and gain a better understanding of my own capabilities and limitations. Lastly, I am grateful that God has given me an opportunity to experience what I had missed and also to share the word of God with younger minds.

— **Kusasing Nsarangbe Zeliang (Bobo)**,
an LLB Graduate, Faculty of Law, DU

discrimination, black history, meme and New York (We did a series on the life of Nicky Cruz). So, to sum it up, I've been given a beautiful privilege to grow as a result of teaching Sunday School.

— **Ms. K. Enatoli Sema**, (an Advocate on Record, Standing Counsel for the State of Nagaland, Supreme Court of India.)

They say that one of the blessings of teaching is learning. What have you learned from the Sunday school children?

Being a Sunday School Teacher I felt responsible for their every action and thought as they are a reflection of us (the teachers). Although I am no longer with the NCF Sunday school team, I still work on myself every day to grow as a better Christian and be a better example to others. Titus 2:7 also says "Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works and in your teaching show integrity, dignity."

To me, teaching the children was like having a friendly conversation with them and making them feel special and loved. When a child feels loved, he/she is ready to listen and obey — obey the word of God. Teaching is learning and that is truly undeniable. I have opened my heart to the kids and have learned just as much from them. I also believe that I have acquired more of kindness, patience and love by being with the children.

It is a great blessing for me to have this experience with these smart and wonderful children, they are surrounded with amazing teachers and parents that are helping them grow in the righteous path of the Lord and to be great leaders of Christ. Ephesians 4:14-15 says "We are not meant to remain as children but to grow up in every way into Christ."

I pray that God will continue to speak to them so that they may be a blessing to their parents, friends and the people around them.

— **Vizovonuo Kreditsu**,
(a graduate of B. Com, University of Delhi)



CHILDRENS' PAGE

The Sunday School is a part of the children's ministry of NCFD that creates an atmosphere of great fun and love among the kids. Stories and creative art and craft relating to the Bible keep the children excited and on their toes. Here are a couple of sweet insights on how the kids feel about their time in Sunday School.



– **Theja Soru**, 11th standard,
Hope Hall Foundation School.

Going to Sunday school has really opened up my eyes to the truth revolving around Jesus, His sacrifice, His kindness, and His love. It gave me the clarity to what I should believe in, with my own choice and not just because I was born in a Christian family. The classes improved my Biblical knowledge and my understanding of the Bible. It has assisted my Spiritual

growth tremendously and helped me build meaningful relationships with my peers.

But my connection with the Sunday school was interrupted after my teen years had begun, when I thought that I was “too cool” for Sunday-school and just like that, I stopped going to the classes and didn't really feel like going there anymore because I felt like I didn't fit in. However, there was one class I would never miss and that class was of Ms. Ena's. I always felt like I could connect with her and with everything she taught and she was the only reason I went to Sunday school.

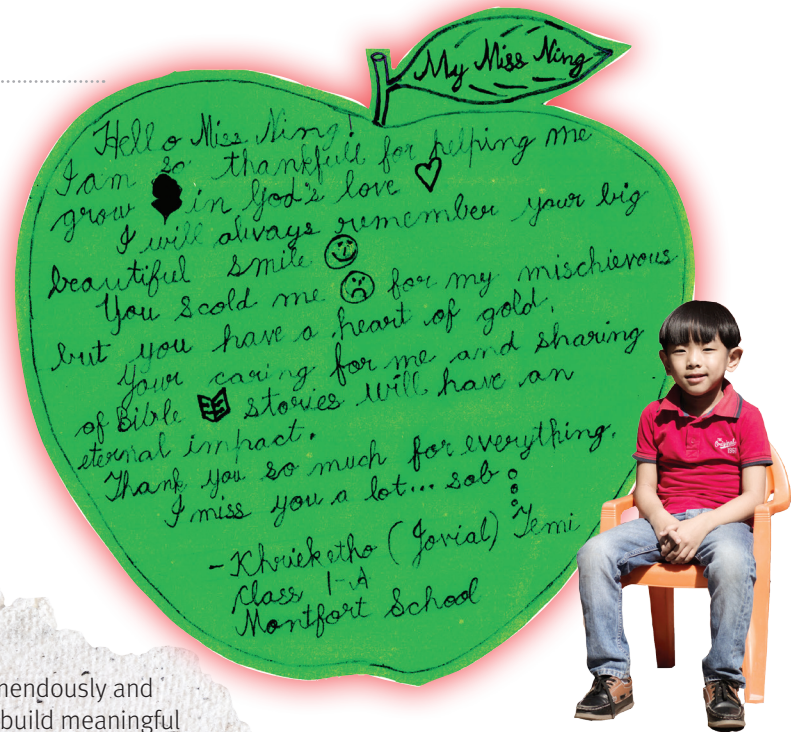
I suffered from body-image issues being tall and scrawny which made me feel insecure and that resulted in me fat shaming my friend to the point where she was scared to even look at me. One Sunday at one of Ms. Ena's classes whilst she was teaching I realized what I was doing and had done, so I did what I had to, I apologized to everyone and they

– **Khrieketho Jovial Temi**,
a student of Class 1A, Monfort School

forgave me too.

What I realized was how broken I was from the inside and without Ms. Ena, the Sunday school, the Church without God there was nothing in me but emptiness and issues with my own self.

As I'm writing this “article”, I can now proudly share my story with everyone and tell them that, yes, being part of the Sunday-school has changed my life.



FÊTE Day

Every year, NCFD organizes a day where the families and the youth work together to raise funds for the Annual Camp. A lot of planning and effort goes into creating the menu, the games and the crafts so that this occasion becomes a sweet memory. Although church funds are used to set up the various stalls, the NCF members also pool in their own resources willingly which makes the affair even more special. At the end of all the festivities it is not just about the profit but it is the experience of working together as a family and the anticipation of the blessings that God will provide to His people through the camp, that make it a success.



Freshers' Day

YOUTH PAGE



– **Vezoto Tetseo**, a student of History, University of Delhi

A new session calls for new faces, voices, and talents. Something we all look forward to every year. The Freshers' Day for the year 2017 was held on 10th September in the church premises with great joy. We were blessed to meet so many new people who were as enthusiastic as us. It was truly a blessing.

The formal session for the freshers began hand in hand with the service. It was a time of prayer and sharing. Time was also given to the

freshers and seniors alike to share their opinions and experiences in the church as well as their stay in Delhi. It was exciting to hear what both sides had to say. Following the tradition, there was also a time of presentation for the freshers where they received warm welcoming gifts. The informal session made the day even more fun and enjoyable. Firstly, there was a time of personal introduction followed by an icebreaker session, which consisted of fun games where everyone was allotted a group. Signs

of teamwork and talent could be seen everywhere as each group competed to overtake the other. Laughter and joy were all around and it was truly a pleasure to see smiles on everyone's faces.

The Freshers' Day was truly a day to remember. Everyone got to meet new people, and enjoy some very fun and exciting moments. More importantly, it was a great blessing to come together as one with God and hear everyone's stories and backgrounds.



Freshers' Say...

Q. Can you tell us how you got introduced to NCF Delhi and about the importance of having a fellowship?

NCF Delhi is well known to Nagas residing in Delhi, so I got introduced to it through my family and friends. Being a fresher, NCF gave me such a warm welcome and as cliché as it may sound, I could not have felt more at home than here in Delhi NCF family. These first few months have been such a blessing for me and I know that God will continue to work wonders. I believe that fellowship is an important part of our faith. Coming together to worship God and support one another is an experience that allows us to learn, gain strength and show the world who exactly God is. It is also a source of encouragement for people who are going through hard times. God assures us too, in Matthew 18:19-20, which says, "Again truly, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for it, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there I am with them."

– **Virola K. Jingriü**, a student of English Literature, University of Delhi

Q. How important are friends in your spiritual life?

Friends are important in our spiritual life because if we have friends who speak the same Christian language as us, then we can approach them when we have problems and the advice they give will be God oriented. As children of God, we constantly need a good support system which comes with prayer. Being at an age where we are easily influenced, one should steer clear from any kind of environment which may tempt us. We can always rely on each other to help ourselves grow, not only as good individuals but also as God's children, teaching each other the rights and the wrongs to sharpen our faith.

Proverbs 27:17 "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another."

– **Kitokali K. Zhimomi**, a student of History, University of Delhi.



Q. Physical fitness does not only motivate and build self-respect but it also reduces chances of injury. How important is spiritual growth and exercise in our Christian life?

God made us and redeems us as a whole person and it's a Christian distinctive to care about it all - not just the soul but the soul and body. The Scriptures teach that our soul is composed of our body and spirit. They're one, "And the spirit and the Body are the Soul of MAN." Being physically active can increase our confidence before the Lord, improve our mood and extend our lifespan. Just as how exercising keeps us away from injuries, the more we exercise our soul, the lesser are our chances to fall prey into doing and thinking evil.

What you and I in the Christian community need is a spiritual workout centre where Christians go to be built and not torn; a place to work out our spiritual soreness, a place to flex and tone our

unused muscles of the FAITH, a place to go see others 'working out' and applying spiritual disciplines. So, whatever we do as a Christian gets added up to our Spiritual Growth. The more we do, the more we grow!

– **Kevisanyü Peseyie**, a student of History, University of Delhi



Q. Why did you choose Delhi and what is one of the first lessons you have learned after your arrival?

I came to Delhi because Delhi holds a lot of opportunities for students. It has good colleges with experienced teachers. Being the capital of India, it has great connectivity. By studying in Delhi,

I get to be taught by well experienced teachers and also get a lot of exposure through the activities within Delhi. One of the first lessons I have learned is that we should try and be hardworking like the people here.

– **Jongtosang Aier**, Pre-university graduate, Delhi Public School Dimapur.



NCF Delhi Annual Camp

A dear friend of NCF who has never failed to share his wisdom and his love for God by encouraging the youth through his meaningful sessions in Camp.



– Jay Orvis

Q. What motivates you to fly half way across the world every year despite the challenges to be part of our NCF annual camps?

Safe to say, the LORD motivates the journey through NCF's invitation. In our work we do not press anyone for an invitation, but instead pray about invitations received. It has been a great joy to plumb the depths of God's Word with students since first working with international or foreign students in the

USA, which Brenda and I have had the privilege to do since 1980. There was an old chewing gum advertisement in the US which said, "Double your pleasure, double your fun, with doublemint, doublemint, doublemint gum!" The joy of being with you all has doubled both the pleasure(s) and the fun of being in His work!!!

The campers are interesting and it is a joy to talk and interact with such alert and interested minds. Especially considering the role you will all play in your society(ies) in years ahead. You are the future! You challenge this participant to see things in new ways. It is a delight to pass on, to share, what the Lord has been teaching over many, many years.

The flight over is long, and jet lag adjustment takes time, but the rewards of being together with NCF friends just melts away any inconvenience. It is marvellous that the Lord permits this joy.

You are interested, interesting, and quick to learn. It is such a pleasure to see the teamwork and selflessness of all the campers. It has been great to see some from earlier years mature in their faith and go on with the Lord in a deeper walk. The Lord has used Tyrannus Hall and the love of the Medoms to touch your lives deeply, and, frankly, it is a very rare privilege to see and be a part of it. Speaking of earlier years and maturity, just today we caught a ride with a man suddenly called from his duties to do "social work" of carrying us into Siliguri to

get a Sikkim ILP. In the office he saw the application and on the way back, asked if we had not been together in a certain place 13 years ago in a seminar. He remembered the subject of the seminar, and he was right! This kind of reunion is what says, to this respondent, that the ways of the Lord are far above our ways...

As you carry on, may your joys increase more and more as you yield yourselves to HIM fully, and respond to HIS soft promptings when they come. Why travel the distance? Because, (1)– He sends, and (2)– it is a joy to serve HIM in any way HE requests. May this be your experience, too, over the years of your life. He has never disappointed.

Thanking the Lord for our past annual meetings, and thanking all of YOU for your loving care. If you are able to connect to this site, be reminded that THIS is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.... (www.youtube.com/watch?v=L6GwS_oxlZQ)

Blessings to the fellowship,

Jay <0//< ...an ambassador... AFCi-USA

"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him," rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

Colossians 2:6-7 (NIV)

Give thanks.

CampREPORT

– Nibizo Nagi & Gaisuiliu Holy Kamei,
Camp Directors

This year the NCF Delhi Annual camp took place at Christian Retreat and Study Centre (CRSC) in Dehradun, Uttarakhand from 2nd – 5th October on the theme "Blessings 2017" based on Psalm 5:12. There were 47 campers in

all including the four resource persons- Pastor Ricky, Aunty Viring, Jay Orvis and John Lucas. We boarded the bus on the night of 1st Oct and reached the campsite safely around 6:30 the next morning. The campers were divided into 5 groups-Love, Faith, Hope, Joy and Grace which are taken from the food of the spirit.

We begin our day with morning devotion at 7:30 am which is led by Pastor Ricky. The daily devotion sessions taught us how to begin our day with the Lord, the importance of meditation and application in our everyday Christian

life. It also taught us that a personal relationship with God is important and always ought to come first.

God used the resource persons to speak to us in different ways as we personally opened up our hearts and minds to hear His voice. Through the wheel illustration, we learned how important it is to place Christ as the centre of our life and just as we need food, air, exercise and rest to grow physically, we need the word of God, prayer, witness and obedience to grow spiritually. Jay reminded us about how we get trapped in the scars of our past and

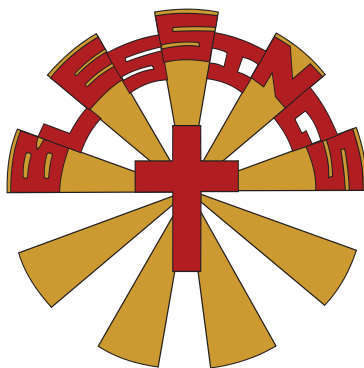


how we tend to prevent ourselves from seeking His love because of it.

Besides the sessions and the gospel services, we had group discussions where the group members listened, shared and prayed for each other. The group discussions served as a platform for the members to open up and reflect on the messages with their members and resource person.

The group dynamics lighted the camp spirit. The games were fun and it created an energetic atmosphere for everyone. It taught us the importance of team work and the need of each other for encouragement and support, not just in the game but in our daily lives. Besides that, we had memory verse recitations, group skit and theme song competitions to keep our minds active and alert. All these activities reminded us how we could all be blessings and glorify Him.

We are immensely blessed through the various testimonies that some campers shared and it was a great reminder for us that the same Jesus Christ who worked in and around them is the same God today because He is the same yesterday, today and forever. Also, the testimony of our



PSALM 5:12
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'Surely, Lord, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.'

resource person, Mr. John Lucas, who got his calling at the age of seventy to preach the good news was a big reminder and a challenge for all of us.

On the third day, we went for trekking to Mussoorie. It was a challenge for us, not just physically but mentally too as we had to keep track of time and get back in time. We all had our own little meditations climbing the hills and witnessing the creation of His majesty.

On our final day, we had a question and answer session where Pastor and Jay clarified the doubts and questions

brought up by the campers ranging from Biblical to current issues.

We were also blessed through the praise and worship sessions as we worshiped the Lord together pouring out our praises to him for who He is and for all that he has done in our lives.

As the Lord continues to work within the hearts of young people, five more campers – Ache, Imlong Anile, Ketho and Phungrei came to join us for the last two days of camp. Indeed, it is never too late in God's time to be blessed and to be blessings to others.

Sometimes, the schedule was a little hectic but by the end of the camp, we realised it was all worth it. We ended our camp with a personal sharing around the camp fire. Personally, it was a blessing to witness everyone sharing their own insights and experiences about the camp.

Truly, the Lord has been our shield throughout the camp, protecting us and keeping us safe from all dangers and blessing us with good weather and good health. We are grateful for His mercy and we give glory to God for all of His blessings.





Growing Together

Congratulations!

God bless you on unfolding a new chapter:
Mengu & Ajano (October 2017)
Khiuzan Kaurinta, Thejalenuo Jane Solo & Megosano Sakhrie for clearing the NPSC and acquiring posts to serve the people.
Ningthuiliu Gonmei on getting accepted into IIM, Udaipur.
Kethozhavi Liegise on getting accepted into SAIACS, Bangalore.
Pemtha Longvah on getting accepted into Hyderabad Central University.

MINISTRY Opportunities & Activities

Sunday Bible Study	11:00 AM
Saturday Men's Bible Study	11:00 AM
Friday Bible Study (co-ed)	5:30 PM
1 st Saturday Executive Meeting	12:00 Noon
Ladies Bible Study (North)	
Thursday - Friday - Saturday	4:00 PM
Ladies Bible Study (South) Friday	7:30 PM
Tyrannus Boys' Bible Study/Devotions (Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday)	09:00 PM

Prayer Focus

1. We rejoice and bless the Lord for His answers to prayers and the successful clearance of civil service exams of our NCF members. Pray that they will seek to please and serve the Lord faithfully through their chosen careers.
2. Bless the Lord for building convictions in the hearts of our NCF Youth to reach out boldly and pray for opportunities to share the Gospel of Christ to their classmates, friends and family members. May God lead them to hungry souls who will receive and grow in the Lord.
3. Bless the Lord for teaching and encouraging all of us to use the Sunday Worship prayer requests as guide to carry each other's burden, and to be held accountable to one another. Pray for growth to be also regular Bible reading members of His body.
4. Bless the Lord for giving all of our members the opportunity to support other Christian mission groups and workers through our offerings, tithes, and programs like the Annual International Food Festival cum Music Concert this Nov. 19. Pray for all the student participants to cope well with their studies and music practices. Pray for women and men to be healthy, strong to cook, bake, and make good sale of different dishes for His glory.
5. Bless the Lord for our NCF members who are already doing their theological studies and for others who are praying to do the same and seeking admission and praying for God's guidance and provision to go full time in the Lord's work.
6. Bless the Lord for our young people who are coming regularly to our various Bible Study groups and others who are also leading small groups on their own. Pray for more students to manage their time well and to be available to attend weekly Bible study groups for their own good.
7. Bless the Lord for those who come and share the Word on Sunday Services when our Pastor has to be out of town for other preaching commitments. May God continue to bless ministers of God's word.
8. Bless the Lord for raising up more Sunday School teachers who not only enjoy but are being ministered too, as they teach our growing population of kids. Pray for convenient time for us to arrange teachers training in the coming days.
9. Bless the Lord for our gifted Praise and Worship Team members, our pianists, choir leaders, who are committed not only to regular practices but also are committed to grow in the Lord through their faithful attendance to weekly Bible Study group who review, memorize and obey God's word.
10. Let's pray continually for all those taking their coaching classes and those on their own preparing for the civil service exams to concentrate, to understand and to be healthy and strong in mind, body and spirit and that God's favour will be upon them.
11. Let's pray for the Holy Spirit to convict all of us of sin, of righteousness and judgement so that there will be healing of Nagaland. Pray the Lord will convict all leaders in government and church and they will work together for the general welfare of the people. That there will be clean election, quality public services and infrastructures like roads, water, electricity.
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PSALM 121:3

He will not allow your foot to slip.

He who keeps you will not slumber.

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