

Notes

ICA SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday Service @ 9:30 am & 11: 15 am

Sunday School @ 11:15 am

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**WELCOME TO
ICA SUNDAY SERVICE**

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WEEKLY ICA VOICE

NEXT WEEK'S MEETING

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER @ 07:30 PM
AT REV. K.E EAPEN'S RESIDENCE
IN NEW HYDE PARK**

**FRIDAY FASTING AND PRAYER @10:30 AM
AT BRO. JACOB ALEXANDER'S RESIDENCE
IN WILLISTON PARK**

SATURDAY PRAYER MEETING @ 07.00 PM AT ICA

Back to Basics

It is still the early days of a new year. Many who made new year resolutions may have already fell behind; some probably are still struggling to decide whether to make one (or more) or not.

So in this second week of the New Year I want to note a desire I have for each one of us and for the church as a whole. It is basically coming back to our roots, to the basics of Christian life. Since the success and life of the church is dependent on each one of us, our collective success is what matters and we all have to be part of it.

- A church that loves the Word. We should be a church that has great desire for the Word of God, a church that craves for the Word like new born babies crave for milk, a church that would seek the Word as if we received it for the first time and devour it with great passion and hunger like persecuted believers in China and some other countries do.
- A church that is given too much prayer. A people that would not tire of being in the presence of God, a people longing to speak with the Father no matter the place, time or situation. A people who would breathe out prayer just like natural breathing. Pray without ceasing, the Word says.
- A church built on the love of Jesus. A church that is united in Agape. A people that would put others first, having the humble nature of Jesus, the Master. A place where love and unity, care and comfort will be the mark of the church. Wasn't that the cause of the growth of early church in the first century and twentieth century?
- A church that values fellowship. It is said of the early church that they devoted themselves to apostles' teaching and to fellowship. A people with a desire to exalt their God in the company of other saints at every opportunity. A group that values the fellowship as a means of growing in the Spirit and in the faith and won't give up the habit of meeting together.

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." Acts 2:42-47.

This could be our experience too if we come back to the basic tenets of our faith.

**Have you reached the goal of the Bible reading plan for the week?
Are you happy with the amount of time spent in talking to the Father this week?**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR
REV. JACOB OOMMEN & SIS. JOLLY JACOB**

"I am the LORD who heals you"

Please pray for:

Mrs. Marykutty Thomas (Sist. Suja's Mom),

Pr. Mathew Samuel, Bro. Babu Thannickal, Sist. Shiny Chacko,

Sam Mathew, Ammini George, Mariamma Johny (Kunjumol),

Usha Danielkutty, Kiran (Dr. Jolly Mathew's granddaughter),

Nirmala (Friend of Snehalatha Nair)

Baby Anaya & all who are sick among us.