

Bible Reading Plan Week 21

Day	Bible Passage	Pray for
May 28, 2017	Job 5-8	Barbados
May 29, 2017	Job 9-12	Belarus
May 30, 2017	Job 13-16	Belgium
May 31, 2017	Job 17-20	Beliz
June 01, 2017	Job 21-24	Benin
June 02, 2017	Job 25-30	Bermuda
June 03, 2017	Job 31-34	Bhutan

BIRTHDAY LIST JUNE 2017

JOSH DANIEL	06/06	SERENA SAMU	06/07
MERILYN THOMAS	06/08	JASMINE MATHEW	06/10
ELISSA STANLEY	06/10	SOPHIA THANNICKAL	06/14
JENNIFER KURIAN	06/19	TASHANA THOMAS	06/27
TISHA THOMAS	06/27	JOEL AUGUSTINE	06/28
ASHLEY WILSON	06/28		

ICA SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday Service @ 9:30 am & 10: 45 am
Sunday School @ 09:30 am

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**WELCOME TO
ICA SUNDAY SERVICE**
Date : May 28, 2017



WEEKLY ICA VOICE

THIS WEEK'S MEETING

WEDNESDAY - NIGHT PRAYER @ 07:30 PM AT ICA
FRIDAY - FASTING AND PRAYER @ 10:30 AM AT ICA
NO MEETING ON SATURDAY

**Ushers: Soji Abraham, Jeena Joseph
& Sarah Abraham**

CHURCH HOME TEAM IN CHARGE THIS WEEK :

P. A. Samuel and Family & Jacob Alexander and Family

WEEK OF 06/04/2017

Varughese Ponnolil & Family ; Mathew Varghese & Family

Remember

Bro. P. A Samuel

Memorial Day is a day for remembering the men and women who died while serving in the country's armed forces. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service. Many volunteers place an American flag on each grave in national cemeteries. The other day I heard a radio news reporter interviewing a person who was traveling to another state for the Memorial Day weekend. He was actually lamenting that it has become a weekend of fun and celebration without much thought about the sacrifices of the people who gave their lives for the freedom of the people in this country and those around the world. The freedom being enjoyed by the citizens of the modern world was (and is even now) made possible because of the many a man and woman who was willing to fight and give up their lives for the sake of freedom for the future generations. Let us be thankful for those unknown people who gave their lives throughout the centuries for the good of other people.

The same is true in the spiritual world also. We are the beneficiaries of freedom and great blessings wrought about because of the unselfish work of many men and women of God. We have reaped the blessings of many western missionaries who left the relative comfort of their own native places and came to the undeveloped, under-civilized country of ours. It is the sacrifices of western missionaries that gave value to the lives of uncivilized African people. The people of South America found the freedom in Jesus because of the missionaries who laid their lives for the sake of gospel. Many millions of Chinese Christians owe their gratitude to God and the missionaries that He sent.

The multitude of people in the northern parts of India found the freedom in Christ because of the many men and women who went from South India especially Kerala. The life they spent in arid field of North India was not much pleasant and prosperous but their sacrifice produced much fruit. Even today there are many who toil in those fields in dire situations and facing much persecution. The light of the gospel spread in the northern parts of Kerala because of the sacrificial lives of many men from the south.

Today we hear of many being tortured and killed in various parts of the world especially in the Middle East because of the gospel. Just like the soldiers of yester years (and even today) willingly surrendered their lives for the freedom of others many soldiers in the army of God are also serving and giving up their lives for the spiritual freedom of their people.

The beginning of all this was with the lives of the Apostles who did not count it a gain to save their lives but rather counted losing their lives as gain. None who sacrificed their lives for the sake of gospel throughout the centuries have counted the cost and retreated, but went forward knowing the cost. On this Memorial Day let us remember the sacrifices of the many men and women who fought a good fight so we could enjoy the freedom. Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. Hebrews 13:3. Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Hebrews 13:7.

SAVE A DATE

FAMILY BREAKFAST ON SATURDAY, JUNE 03 @ 9.30AM
ICA RETREAT JULY 14-16, 2017

Prayer Needs:

- ◆ **Spiritual growth** ◆ **Healing** ◆ **Financial security**
- ◆ **Marriage of children in our community**

Please pray for

- **Gregory, Bro. Rajan Koshy's 10-month old grandson**
- **Olivia, Sheeba's new born baby**
- **Pastor George Mathai in Philadelphia.**

10 DANGEROUS MYTHS ABOUT THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

5. PERSECUTION HAS BEEN WORSE.

False. We are living in a time when persecution is at an all-time high. Over 200 million Christians face persecution on a regular basis. Every month, 322 Christians are killed for their faith; 214 Churches are destroyed, and 722 acts of violence are committed against Christians. We've gone through tough periods in the past, no doubt, but, **globally, it's never been more intense than it is in this very moment of history.**

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