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വിവാഹ ധനസഹായ പദ്ധതി: അപേക്ഷകൾ ക്ഷണിക്കുന്നു

ന്യൂയോർക്ക്: ന്യൂയോർക്ക് ഇന്ത്യ ക്രിസ്ത്യൻ അസംബ്ലിയുടെ സുവർണ്ണ ജൂബിലിയോടനുബന്ധിച്ച് സാമ്പത്തിക ബുദ്ധിമുട്ട് അനുഭവിക്കുന്ന പെന്തക്കോസ്ത് വിശ്വാസികളായ യുവതികൾക്ക് വിവാഹ ധനസഹായം വിതരണം ചെയ്യുന്നു. 15-ാമത് ഐ.പി.സി ഫാമിലി കോൺഫ്രൻസിന്റെ വിവാഹ സഹായ പദ്ധതിയുമായി സഹകരിച്ചാണ് അപേക്ഷകൾ കണ്ടെത്തുന്നത്.

തിരഞ്ഞെടുക്കപ്പെടുന്ന കുടുംബങ്ങൾക്ക് ഒരു ലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുപത്തി അയ്യായിരം രൂപയുടെ ധനസഹായം ആയിരിക്കും നൽകുന്നത്. അപേക്ഷകർ പേർ, മേൽവിലാസം, തൊഴിൽ, സാമ്പത്തിക സ്ഥിതി, വിദ്യാഭ്യാസം, ഉൾപ്പെട്ടു നിൽക്കുന്ന സഭ, മറ്റു വരുമാന മാർഗ്ഗങ്ങൾ, സഭാ ശുശ്രൂഷകളെയും സെന്റർ ശുശ്രൂഷകളെയും ശുപാർശ കത്ത്, പാസ്‌പോർട്ട് സൈസ് ഫോട്ടോ എന്നിവ ഉൾപ്പെടുന്ന അപേക്ഷകൾ താഴെ പറയുന്ന വിലാസത്തിൽ അയയ്ക്കേണ്ടതാണ്. തിരഞ്ഞെടുക്കപ്പെട്ടവരെ ഡിസംബർ 31-നകം രേഖാമൂലം അറിയിക്കുന്നതും തുടർന്ന് അതാത് കുടുംബങ്ങൾ അനുയോജ്യമായ വരനെ കണ്ടെത്തി 2018 ഏപ്രിൽ 15-നകം വിവാഹം നടത്തേണ്ടതുമാണ്.

വിവാഹ നിശ്ചയത്തിനു ശേഷം വിവാഹ ചിലവുകൾക്കായി 25,000 രൂപ രക്ഷിതാക്കൾക്ക് നൽകുന്നതാണ്. വിവാഹാനന്തരം അവസാന ഗഡുവായ ഒരു ലക്ഷം രൂപ നവദമ്പതികളുടെ പേരിൽ മെയ് മാസത്തിൽ വിതരണം ചെയ്യുന്നതായിരിക്കും. അപേക്ഷകൾ അംഗീകരിക്കുന്നതിന് മുന്നേ നിശ്ചയിച്ചതോ, നടത്തിയതോ ആയ വിവാഹങ്ങൾക്ക് ധന സഹായം ലഭിക്കുന്നതല്ല. അപേക്ഷകൾ ലഭിക്കേണ്ട അവസാന തീയതി ഡിസംബർ 15.

15-ാമത് ഐ.പി.സി ഫാമിലി കോൺഫ്രൻസിന്റെ വിവാഹ സഹായ അപേക്ഷയുടെ നിബന്ധനകൾ അനുസരിച്ചായിരിക്കും അർഹരായവരെ കണ്ടെത്തുന്നത്.

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Upcoming Events

December 18-29 Fasting Prayer

December 30 - Golden Jubilee Thanksgiving Service

December 31 - Watch Night Service

January 14 - Annual Business Meeting

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WELCOME TO ICA SUNDAY SERVICE

December 03, 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

**PYFA ANNIVERSARY SATURDAY @ 09.30 AM AT QUEENS
CHURCH OF GOD**

SATURDAY—PRAYER MEETING @ 07:00 PM AT ICA

**Ushers: Jaiwin Prakash, Soji Abraham
& Lesley Abraham**

**CHURCH HOME TEAM IN CHARGE THIS WEEK :
Sam Thomas & Family**

WEEK OF 12/10/2017

Rev. P. G. Abraham & Family

THE SEA OF GALILEE

Rev. Dr. Wilson Varkey

Introduction

Sea of Galilee, one of the main attractions in Israel, is located near the Golan Heights. It is the largest freshwater lake in this region. It is about 53 km in circumference and about 21 km long and about 50 meter deep. This lake is around 209 meters below the sea level and that makes the Sea of Galilee the lowest freshwater lake on earth and second-lowest lake in the world. It is also known as Lake of Tiberias (John 6:1) and sea of Gennasaret (Lk 5:1). In the Old Testament, it was called the Sea of Chinneroth (Josh. 12:3). The Rabbis declared of the Sea of Galilee that, "Although God has created seven seas, yet He has chosen this one as His special delight." Certainly Jesus must have felt the same way. The Sea of Galilee is fed primarily by the Jordan River. Other streams and wadis (seasonal watercourses) flow into the lake from the hills of Galilee. In the rivers associated with the lake and at the bottom of the lake itself are many mineral deposits. Because of those deposits and because of the strong evaporation, the water in the lake is relatively salty.

During the time of Jesus, Sea of Galilee was the main commercial center due to fishing. Flavius Josephus reported that "a thriving fishing industry at this time, with 230 boats regularly working in the lake." In fact, people who lived around this Sea was directly connected to the Sea for their living either through fishing or through the trades related to fishing. But today, anyone visits this famous site will find that tourism around the Sea of Galilee is an important economic branch as in the days of Jesus. It is because the Sea of Galilee is an attraction for Christian pilgrims who visit Israel to see the places where Jesus performed miracles according to the New Testament, such as his walking on water, calming the storm and feeding the multitude and many more.

Lake or Sea?

In fact, this popular water body in the region of Galilee is not a sea rather it is a lake. However, it is known as sea because of different reasons. First of all, in the Hebrew language, there is only a small difference in the words used for sea and lake. The Hebrew word for "sea" is "yam," but the Hebrew word for "lake" is "yamah." The word "sea" in Sea of Galilee is a mis-translation in the Greek of the Hebrew because the translators did not notice the difference in the Hebrew word. Perhaps this would sound simple but it is a critical mistake in the Greek translation leading to call this lake as a sea. Secondly, there used to be frequent storms in this lake. Due to the geographic structure, storms were a normal occurrence there. The differences in climate and elevation between the sea and the eastern mountains caused strong and sudden winds. We come across instances in the New Testament where sudden storms threatened the very life of the disciples. Thirdly, people used to call this lake a

sea because they were able to travel across this sea of Galilee. When they could do that, they called it a sea.

Why Jesus ministered around this Lake?

As noted in the last article about Nazareth, after Mary and Joseph returned from Egypt, they settled in Nazareth, about twenty miles west of the Sea of Galilee (Matt. 2:19-23). Jesus was very familiar with this region and the Sea of Galilee since it was his hometown. The New Testament very clearly speaks of the ministry of Jesus Christ taking place around this lake. It was basically due to the significance of this place in those days. In order to find a living, people used to come and settle around this lake and there were huge settlements in this area. That paved for the development of plenty of trade and ferrying. Moreover, there were many gentiles living in the region in those days. Gospel writers therefore called this region as the Galilee of gentiles. No religious leaders wanted to go to Galilee due to the huge presence of gentiles here. It was a neglected place during the time of Jesus. Therefore, it was the perfect place for Jesus to do his ministry. In fact, Christianity as a religion has plenty of things to remember in relation to this sea.

Bible Reading Plan Week 45

Day	Bible Passage	Pray for
December 03, 2017	Luke 3-4	Somalia
December 04, 2017	Luke 5-6	South Africa
December 05, 2017	Luke 7-8	South Korea
December 06, 2017	Luke 9-10	South Sudan
December 07, 2017	Luke 11-12	Spain
December 08, 2017	Luke 13-15	Sri Lanka
December 09, 2017	Luke 16-18	Sudan

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- SPIRITUAL GROWTH
- HEALING
- FINANCIAL SECURITY
- MARRIAGE OF CHILDREN