

PRAISE & PRAYER

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Prayer is the Sincere Desire of our Soul

Dear Beloved in the Lord,

I came across these lines of a hymn many years ago and they influenced me greatly.

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, unuttered or expressed,
The motion of a hidden fire, that trembles in the breast.

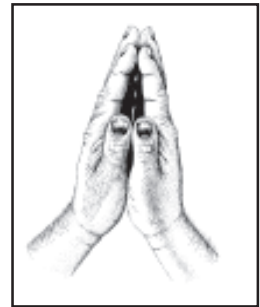
Prayer is the burden of a sigh, the falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye, when none but God is near.

Prayer is the simplest form of speech, that infant lips can try;
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach the Majesty on high.

- *From the hymn of James Montgomery, (1771-1854).*

Prayer is our attitude, our desire, longing and our inner cry. When we emotionally and spiritually involved, it can revive us and the people for whom we are praying. The hymn talks about what is prayer and how our attitude can be towards prayer. The following illustration reminds us of the people whom we need to pray for. While we fold our hands for prayer, the five fingers can guide us about the people we need to pray for:

The **Thumb** is closest to us and we can pray for the people closest to us. We can remember the people in our family, at our work and in the ministry. The **Index Finger** points and leads others. We can pray for the teachers, ministers and the servants of God and various staff members who are responsible in guiding people. They include doctors, consultants and advisors. They need support and wisdom so that they can show the right path for those who needed them.



The **Middle Finger** is the tallest and tells us of the leaders. Pray for the leaders of the nation, the church and the organizations we are involved. They are decision makers and need the Lord's help. The **Ring Finger** is the fourth and the weakest. It can not even stand alone but always need some one's support. That's where we need our precious investments too. So let us pray for those who are weak, voiceless, harassed and marginalized by problems, disasters and diseases. Those who are alienated from the mainstream societies and who are denied of basic rights truly need your help and prayer.

The **Little Finger** is the last and smallest among all the fingers. This should illustrate our attitude, that we must be humble in front of God and other people. So don't forget to pray for ourselves so that we can have fruits of the spirit and be more like Jesus Christ, our Lord.

May our prayer for our co-labourers in the field; those who are in various responsibilities of various TLM services and projects; the leaders of the mission at different centres; the target people and communities we are working with; and our own local ministry and task teams; be more sincere and meaningful. May the Lord answer us and bless us together as we meditate upon His word and agree together in intercession during this month.

Sincerely Yours,

Philipose Vaidyar

Praise & Pray

1 Vadathorasalur

Praise God for the successful RCS camp held during 5 – 8 April. Pray that the patients who underwent surgery would recover soon.

Pray for the Vacation Bible School, 1–10 May. Pray that many children would participate and that the word of God be sown in the hearts of the little ones. Pray for Dr. Jeyakumar Daniel's visit to Sweden from 26th April - May 5th 2009

2. Miraj

Praise God for the successful RCS camp in January, where 48 patients were benefitted.

For the good networking with the government; Each of the RCS patients received a grant of Rs. 5000/- from the Govt. of India's DPMR program.

Pray for the next RCS camp; May 2- 4. Dr. Premal Das and Dr. Vijayakumar will be performing the surgeries. Pray for the quick recovery and healing of patient Mr. Gundu Tackod who underwent above knee amputation.

4. VTC Champa

Pray for students Ms. Gayatri Tiwari (Reaction patient) and Mr. Manoj Patel, who are anaemic and went through blood transfusion in April. They are doing formal course and preparing for NCVT exam in July.

Pray for the Principal and the Placement officer as they are involved in pre-admission counseling. Pray for the students and the course revisions.

5. Media Centre, Noida

Praise God for the video shooting on the Devdasi project at Belgaum.

Praise God for the Training workshops on Advocacy at Muzaffarpur during April 28- 30.

Pray for the editing of the video on the Devdasi project at Belgaum. Pray for the Training workshop at Belgaum, May 5-7

6. Poladpur

Praise God for the successful staff Retreat conducted.

Pray for the speedy recovery of in-patient, Pandhari Mahadev Gokul, who is suffering with recurrent ulcer. Pray for the complete recovery of Mr. Shahnawaz Gani Mulla, (s/o Mr. Ganni Mulla, and our staff) who underwent an emergency Leperotomy. Pray for the RCS camp at the hospital (May 6- 8)

7. Kothara

Praise God for the eye camp held on April 2 in the tribal village at Chilkhaldara where 111 patients attended and 12 patients had eye surgery done at Kothara.

Pray for screening of 2062 school children at Daryapur by the medical team in cooperation with the World Vision.

Pray for completion of the renovation work in Women's Leprosy ward, in time with in the budget

Pray for Ms. Merlyn (Physiotherapist) who joined recently.

8. VTC Vadathorasalur

Praise God for the artificial limb & calipers for two VTC students, provided by Mukthi artificial limb centre.

Pray for the students who are using it. Pray for SCVT and NCVT student's examination for success.

Pray for the placement of the present batch. Pray for Industrial visits and the admission of the new batch.

9. MESH, New Delhi

May 9th is World Fair Trade Day;

Pray for MESH who will try to promote the products made by disabled and leprosy affected people, at the occasion. Pray for the effective management of the programme.

Pray for the RCS camp going to be held on 10th and 11th May 2009 at TLM Shahdara.

11. Muzaffarpur: Disaster Preparedness Project

Pray for the completion of shelters for leprosy affected people and other marginalized, before flood arises.

Pray for the new staff who joined projects- School Targeting Stigma, U.P; Women Empowerment Project, Muzaffarpur and Purulia, that the Lord will enable them in the new situation, culture and climate.

12. Partner Institutions

Praise God for various Partner Institutions that join hands with TLM to eradicate the causes and consequences of leprosy.

Pray for God's abundance to be upon each of these institutions.

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13. Villuppuram IDC& CBR Project

Pray for the RCS Camp at TLM Vadathorasalur. Pray for the project at the Tsunami affected areas. Pray for the speedy recovery of Chandru who underwent RCS Surgery. Pray for the programmes: Self Help Groups Animator & Treasurer Training; Staff & Volunteers training.

Pray for Dr. Jeyakumar Daniel's visit to Scotland (May 13-17)

14. Naini

Praise God for the good fellowship through cottage prayer meetings. Thank God for successful eye camp during the last month

Pray for Kamlesh, type 2 reaction patient - for quick recovery; Pray for other 6 type 2 reaction patients, that the Lord will help them to cope with their situation, staying for a long time.

15. Chandkhuri

Praise God for the successful RSC camp.

Pray that the patients will come for follow up and practice the self-care measures regularly. Pray for the Vacation Bible School arranged for the staff children.

Pray for the protection of staff and family members from the high temperature in the summer.

16. Champa

Praise God for His providence and divine leading upon TLM Champa.

Pray for staff and patients and for God's special unction upon Dr. Sandeep as he manages the institution.

18. Sunderban, West Bengal, CD Project

Praise God for the success of programs in its first year through awareness and education on Health, Human Rights, Self Help groups, and the eye camps.

Pray for the effective networking with the govt. depts., for the benefit of the people with disability certificates and provision of aids and appliances, during the coming few months.

19. Salur

Praise God for the fund raising music concert conducted by blind children from Bobbili. For Dr. Vinod Kumar who joined the team though temporarily.

Pray for their staff, Mrs. Vasantha who is suffering from a crippling form of rheumatoid arthritis.

Pray for Dr. Nayak, Ophthalmologist, who is recovering after a stroke. Pray that the Lord will provide a Gynaecologist, Surgeon, and Counselor for the hospital. Pray for guidance and help in the strategic planning process.

20. Shahdara

Pray for the in-patients suffering from ENL reaction (Phool Samandari and Islam)

Pray for Davender Ex- employee of the hospital, bed ridden, suffering from brain tumor and epilepsy. Pray for his wife and son who are going through difficult times.

Pray for friends and well wishers to support the needs of the hospital.

Pray for the restructuring of OPD work to start soon

21. Dayapuram

Praise God for the successful RCS camp held during April 2-4th and the 12 patients who benefited during this camp.

Pray for the speedy recovery of Mrs. Amasavalli and Mrs. Selvi who are suffering from a dreaded skin disease.

22. Snehalayas

Praise God for Snehalayas that shelter the needy and the ostracized.

Pray for the elderly in these units for good health and a cheerful spirit. Pray that God will touch the hearts of the relatives of these patients that they may be restored and accepted back to their families.

23. Travel Mercies.

Pray for travel mercies upon each staff who travel extensively within TLM. Ask God to keep them safe as some of them work in field to collect reports and others organize meetings within the communities.

25. Almora

Praise God for the disability camp jointly organized with District Leprosy Officer and TLM Almora. A successful rally was conducted with the aid of Bharat Scout guides towards the cause of bringing awareness on leprosy.

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26. VTCs

Praise God for 6 VTCs training students in various trades, empowering them with capabilities and newer skills.

Pray for the staff at the VTCs and also for God's wisdom upon the students and confidence to rise up above any limitations.

27. Government Relations

Praise God for good government relationship that TLM has had until now. **Pray for** continued support and cooperation from the Indian government to carry on towards the goals of The Leprosy Mission.

28. Muzaffarpur

Pray for the TLM team at Muzaffarpur. May God bless all the efforts that the hospital puts in to bring change in the community.

29. Pray for Dr. Jeyakumar Daniel as he attends the TLM International Board meeting (29-30) and the Supporting Country Leaders Meeting (31) in Canada.

30. Thank God for His providence upon each one of us for the month of May. Thank God for TLM hospitals, Projects, VTC's and all its endeavors. Praise God for TLM staff and their families.

Birthdays

1 May

Mrs. Ramulamma M	Salur
Mrs. Bimala Lallan	Faizabad
Mr. Banshil Lal	Chandkhuri
Mr. Pandu Bhoju	Miraj
Mr. Franklin Milton	PSD
Mr. Sanjib Das	RSO Chennai
Mr. Lokesh Kumar	RSO Chennai
Mr. Raja M. J.	RSO Raipur
Mrs. Suman Singh	Barabanki

2 May

Mr. Nagendranath Mudi	Purulia
Mr. Mangal Gope	Muzaffarpur
Mrs. Sarita Bansriar	Kolkata
Mr. Roshan Vijay Ohol	VTC Nashik
Mr. Lav Kush	VTC Faizabad
Mrs. Ruby T.	VTC Vadathorasalur
Mr. Pradeep Gope	RSO Begaum

3 & 4 May

Mr. Serphin Masih	Muzaffarpur
Ms. Sumathi I	Salur
Mrs. Ujjwala Das	Naini
Mr. Jitendra Valmik	Barabanki
Mr. Karan Singh	VTC Vadathorasalur
Ms. Sudha Kumari	Faizabad
Mr. Kabilan	RSO Belgaum
Mr. James M	RSO Belgaum
Mr. Sukda Hembram	Research
Mrs. Hema Sampath	Vadathorasalur
Mr. Jubuloon	Chandkhuri
Mr. Alok Benjamin	RSO Lucknow

5 May

Mr. Jaising S.	RSO Chennai
Mr. Vijaya Kumar	Faizabad
Mrs. Santosh Aldred	Chandkhuri
Mr. Tamilvanan M.	Kothara
Mr. Ratnesh Tripathi	Naini

6 May

Mr. Vipin Kumar Ruha	Chandkhuri
Mr. Daniel M. Prakash	VTC Nashik

7 May

Mr. Krupavarma U. S.	VTC Vizianagaram
Mrs. Sathya Mary	Vadathorasalur

8 May

Mr. Sumit Kumar Nag	Kothara
Mr. Sisir Bansriar	Purulia
Mr. Loba Samad	Purulia
Mr. Dinesh Nayak	RSO Raipur
Dr. Ravi K	Vadathorasalur
Mr. Birinch Mahato	RSO Belgaum
Mr. Rakesh Kumar	RSO Lucknow
Ms. Sabita Murmu	Purulia

9 May

Mr. Ravi Bagh	RSO Chennai
Mr. Pravin Giftson	VTC Bankura
Ms. Sujatha Britto	RSO Belgaum

Birthdays

10 & 11 May

Mr. Anandan A	Vadathorasalur
Ms. Aruna Kumari	Salur
Ms. Maripi Kameswari	Salur
Mr. Mark Moloy	Purulia
Mr. Mani	VTC Vadathorasalur

12 May

Mr. Dayal Masih	Muzaffarpur
Mr. Anwar Khan	Naini
Mr. Gabriel Pani	VTC Faizabad
Dr. Suresh Herbert P	Dayapuram
Mr. Satrugan Kumar	RSO Chennai
Mr. Sandip Silas	Champa

13 May

Mr. Sashikant S	VTC Nashik
Mr. Alex Chandra Kr.	Vadathorasalur
Mr. Robert Kumar	Naini
Mr. Ramcharan	Chandkhuri
Mr. Suresh M.	Purulia
Mrs. Emeli Jola	Dayapuram
Mr. Sijo Mathew	India Office

14 May

Mr. Gabriel John W	RSO Raipur
Mr. Samson Bansriar	Purulia

15 May

Mr. Jacob Raju K	Salur
Mrs. Sunder Shankar	Miraj
Ms. Ammaji K	R. C. Puram
Mrs. Indira Packiam R	Dayapuram
Mr. Satish Kumar	Purulia
Mr. Abraham J	VTC Vadathorasalur

16 May

Mr. Kaushal Masih	Champa
Mr. Anita Murmu	Muzaffarpur
Mr. Dharam Singh S	Champa
Ms. Mradula Singh	Shahadara

17 & 18 May

Mrs. Neela George	Shahadara
Dr. Hepsiba Glory	Naini
Mr. Naveen Chand	RSO Lucknow
Mr. Kishan Ram	Almora
Mr. Sekar N	VTC Vadathorasalur
Ms. Gnanamani	Vadathorasalur
Dr. Bhaskar N Rao	Salur

19 May

Ms. Sangeetha Greeta	Poladpur
Mr. Mohan Raj R.	RSO Chennai

20 May

Mr. Manuvel Juvanu S	RSO Belgaum
Mr. Karthikeyan	Naini
Dr. Jay Prakash Palla	Barabanki

21 May

Mrs. Sunderambal V	Dayapuram
Mr. Kershon Mahima D	Vadathorasalur
Mr. Melwin Singh	Shahadara
Dr. Ruchika Chandna	Sahadara
Mr. Deepak Sahu	RSO Belgaum
Dr. Vinita Elizabeth D	Research
Mr. Rama Rao M	Research

23 & 24 May

Mr. Gyan Chand	Naini
Mrs. Rambhabati M	Purulia
Mrs. Marjorie Annie	Chandkhuri
Mr. Mitesh Chandra	Champa
Ms. Gandhi Rama	Salur
Mr. Paul Giftson R	Dayapuram
Mr. Jayakumar C	Kothara
Mrs. Reeta Rodricks C	Shahadara
Mr. Anand T	Dayapuram
Ms. Radha G	Salur

25 May

Mr. Mani P	Dayapuram
Mrs. Vijaya S	Dayapuram
Mr. Baskaran K	RSO Chennai
Mr. Biju P. Sam	RSO Belgaum
Mr. Sunil Lal	Champa
Mrs. Jayanthi	Vadathorasalur
Mr. Merlin I	RSO Raipur

26 May

Mr. Sunil N. Powar	Belgaum
Mr. Arun Kumar V	RSO Raipur
Mr. Jaywant Charan	India Office

27 May

Mr. Deva Anbu	Vadathorasalur
Mrs. Vidhya Prakash N	Belgaum
Mr. Nanthakumar	RSO Raipur
Mr. Dibyendu Bagal	VTC Bankura
Ms. Pranita Wankhade	Kothara
Mrs. Anamma Xavier	Sahadara

Birthdays

28 May

Ms. Irene Salur

29 May

Mr. Kiran Kumar M Salur
Mr. Wills Mathew India Office
Mrs. Jessie Kurian Sahadara

30 & 31 May

Mrs. Sumi Hansda	Purulia
Mrs. Monica Murmu	Saldoha
Mr. Francis Raja	Vadathorasalur
Mr. Satish Choudhary	RSO Belgaum
Mr. Chanrasen Hiwarale	VTC Nashik
Mrs. Shiny M. P.	Shahdara
Mr. Naina Prakash	VTC Champa
Mr. John David	Salur
Mr. Jacob Thaveselvam	Dayapuram
Mr. Shridhar T	RSO Belgaum

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Our Vision:
Towards a world without leprosy

The Leprosy Mission is a leading International non-governmental organization with its presence in over 50 countries, serving people and communities affected by leprosy for the past 134 years. TLM is guided by the vision of a 'world without leprosy' and is aspiring to 'eradicate the cause and consequences of leprosy'. More than just handling a cure for leprosy, TLM is committed to addressing the underlying causes, working to prevent disability and restoring the dignity of people affected by leprosy.

TLM manages health service delivery, community health development and socio economic development through 18 hospitals, field programs and 6 Vocational training centres.