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CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR — FELLOWSHIP —

WEEKLY CONNECTION

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Sunday at 10:30am*

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AND THE SIGN SAYS...



Black flies, swarms of them! Sometimes you can't even open your mouth or breathe. Trying to speak *cough, cough, hack* when a battalion flies into your mouth ... it isn't fun. The buzzing as they bomb into your ear is enough to make you dance delulu like it was the 80s! Thank goodness someone had the brilliance to create the no-see-um bug gear to keep the pesky critters buffered away.

Spring is here, and assuredly the arrival of the variable warm and cool weather also ushers in the notorious black fly season. It's to be expected and a sure *sign* spring is upon us. Wouldn't you know it , another familiar sign of the season ... mosquitos. Luckily the same prevention gear (no-see-um) keeps these double-whammy buzzing and biting critters away. Better yet is the ZAPPER!! Oh yes, they call them in like prey and get zapped, cooked! Hear that? I don't either. See, the zapper works best!

While in the backyard they can be a nuisance, it's when you get into the forest on a hike they *REALLY* let you know their presence. Frantically waving your hands and swatting them away is only but a few seconds of reprieve as you trudge along the trail (that was supposed to be enjoyable). Up, down, over the boulders, across the stream. Standing still isn't really an option as they seem to multiply out of nowhere.

All of this is occurring while trying to follow the trail. Now, some trails are easily marked and you can spot the path, the way, as the signs are clearly marked. Some even have wood planks laid across the trail! It's not as easy when you get deep into the terrain and those trail markers can be hard to find. Depending on the colour, they may be invisible in all the lushness around. I remember getting nervous on some hikes, especially the new trails, when I couldn't find the trail! Feeling lost is not fun, especially when you're being perused by hordes of man eating



insects (literally). At those times, I remember the most successful action was to ... *be still*! Yes, one could run around in a panic and try looking here and there for the trail, but it's an awful lot of wasted energy, time and stress, especially with the limited water and power bars packed!

Yes, stillness and waiting patiently solved the ordeal. You see, by walking back to the last known area of the trail, you just stand and *watch* patiently, slowly looking. What's amazing is that in the pause and observation, what

seemed like compact, dense jungle, started to show a clear path among trees, rocks and the natural terrain, a path well-trodden. Then lo and behold, there it is... the green trail marker in the midst of the forest (who would do that??).

Thank goodness I was prepared with my insect gear as I stood invincible to their invasion. If I wasn't prepared, how would I have found the trail, gotten home safe?

It reminds me of the Bible where read about the signs of the times. The Pharisees and

Sadducees were testing the Lord and asking for a *sign*, when our Lord Jesus replies:

"When evening comes, you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red,' and in the morning, 'Today it will be stormy, for the sky is red and overcast.' You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you cannot interpret the signs of the times. A wicked and adulterous generation looks for a sign, but none will be given it except the sign of Jonah."
- Matthew 16:2-4

In our lives we must look and see, observe the *signs*, all that is occurring around us, so that we may know the state and how to navigate. As being in the forest with the trail markers guiding the way, in the Christian life, we have signs and a path that the Lord has made for us. He said "I AM the way" and in calling His people "follow *ME*."

If we pause in our daily lives long enough to see the path we're walking, we will certainly

remain on course and see the danger signs to avoid veering off the righteous path. If we pause, in the stillness and silence we can hear the voice of God more clearly guiding us as He said He would. If we pause, we can make corrections to the wrong turns, behaviours and other things in our lives much quicker. We'll see just how far we've come away.

If we pause, we see the signs in our love, our serving, our desire for God's presence itself, as blessings and gifts from God. Peace, love, joy and more. If YOU pause, what signs are you seeing? Are you on the path or have you veered off? If so, the great thing is, take one step closer to our Lord Jesus... there you go, NOW you're on your way!

See you Sunday 10:30am

Pastor Bhawani

Who will you invite?

Missed

Sunday?

- We gather at 10:30 am every Sunday at the church to worship, praise and hear the Word of God

Wondering what our Sunday services look like ?

- 10:30 ~10:50 Worship & Praise
- 10:50 ~11:25 Sermon
- 11:25 ~ 11:40 Worship & Praise
- Closing prayer

EXODUS

WELCOME

EXODUS 3
Sermon Series

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What's Happening at COSF?

Upcoming Events & Services

- COSF Florida Service-
"I AM...PATIENCE" June 7th
- Father's Day - June 15th
- Africa Revival and Crusade -
Jul/Aug 2025 *TBD*
- COSF YOUTH - Summer Camp
and Discipleship Program -
Registration Coming Soon

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"I AM...PATIENCE"

JUNE 7TH, 2025
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

1251 MARLLO ROAD
KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA



*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7*

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We thank the Lord for ALL He has done and the magnificent labour that we are being led to do in His righteous name. COSF continues the programs that we have been led to offer along side regular Sunday services.

- International / Local missions & revival events
- Variety of classes and courses to strengthen God's people:
- Alpha film series, Alpha Youth, Conquer,
- Discipleship series, Mentorship-based Ministry Leadership Certificate



Jacob Martins & Laura Morris

Youth Walk

Hello everyone. Laura and I wanted to take a moment today to talk about our identity, who we are, as children of God. Have you ever heard anything like this: "Why would I follow God? Why would I listen to the Bible? The Bible is old and outdated. I'm just giving up my freedom for a set of rules. God is a waste of my time."

I'm sure we have all heard at least one of these common phrases before, whether from a friend or family member or even a total stranger. It can be tough as a Christian, especially in today's society, to maintain our beliefs and our faith in God. The voices around us can be painfully discouraging, but they tend to forget a very important truth.

The truth is, our relationship with God is not a loss. God teaches us that in Him, we gain everything. Our Heavenly Father created us to have a relationship with Him (Psalm 139:13-17). He has given us His word so that we may know Him, learn of Him, and who He created us to be (Matthew 11:29). We were made to live with God and follow His ways!

The world thinks we can find ourselves by walking in our own ways and following after 'popular' things. In reality, we find every good thing, whether it be our true purpose, abundant joy, endless blessing or our identity in our unchanging Heavenly Father (James 1:17).

So be encouraged! Although following God may be unpopular at times, God promises *"blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit"*(Jeremiah 17:7-8).

**STAY TUNED: COSF Youth Summer
Events and DISCIPLESHIP Program Registration**




IN THE LIFE

Noah Martins

I have been speaking this week with a brother who has had his wife and daughter routinely falling ill. We have prayed many times for them, and have seen them do better, but they continued to be afflicted. Well, Praise The Lord for His healing and almighty power, for they have been doing very well, and have shown no signs of illness. We thank God for what only he can do. We thank God for the steadfastness of their husband and father, who has been praying fervently for them, and through it all has not stopped preaching the Word of God to those around him.



I have been praying and speaking with a woman for a couple of months. We have prayed for her paralyzed brother-in-law, a relative with kidney disease, a very ill sister-in-law, and many other obstacles. She did let me know that after we prayed for her sister in law she had started feeling better, praise the Lord!



Now seeking prayer for her sister in law again, who is a teacher, there is a Muslim parent who has made a police case against her, accusing her of harming their child. She has also said that many more people are in need of prayer. We can see so much hardship and persecution in the lives of the Lord's people here, but He remains as their steadfast hope! Please continue to lift up our brothers and sisters across the nation to our Lord.

Emma Censoni

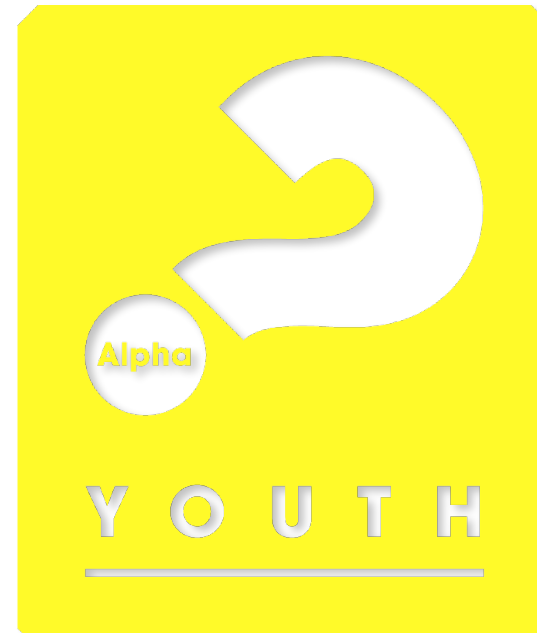
Classes & Studies

Alpha Film Series

The Alpha Film Series is emotive, engaging and epic in scale and scope. Nicky Gumbel and two new presenters, Toby Flint and Gemma Hunt, walk through the basics of the Christian faith in a way that everyone can relate to. The episodes feature inspiring stories and interviews from all around the world, as well as visual illustrations and motion graphics.

Winter session of the ALPHA film series
SUMMER session TBD

Location: Christ Our Saviour Fellowship
Address: 250 Bayview Dr. Unit # 7,
Barrie ON
Cost : FREE



Alpha Youth Series is designed to engage students (11-18) in conversations about life, faith and Jesus. Discussion time is interspersed throughout the short talks to make it simpler for them to share their thoughts and questions.

New session of Alpha YOUTH series
SUMMER COURSE COMING SOON

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Alpha YOUTH! Series

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The PRE Marriage Course

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The Pre-Marriage Course

The PRE - Marriage Course is an opportunity for you to invest in your relationship through five in-person or online date nights created to help you to learn to communicate well, understand and appreciate your differences, and prepare for potential challenges.

New Sessions Begins in 2025- stay tuned

Location: Christ Our Saviour Fellowship

Course Journal required: a free PDF provided OR The Pre Marriage Journal available to purchase for \$15 each.

The Marriage Course runs over seven sessions, and each session begins with sharing dinner as a couple, followed by a fun, insightful video covering topics that are relevant for every couple like Good Sex or Resolving Conflict. In short? Your marriage. But better challenges.

New Sessions Begins in 2025- stay tuned
The Family Unit is vital and we're excited to introduce the Marriage course at COSF to help support the family unit! Please contact us if you are interested in participating in this course please contact us.

Location: Christ Our Saviour Fellowship
Cost: workbook approx \$18

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The Marriage Course

The Marriage Course

Men's Conquer Series

The Conquer Series is a powerful cinematic study that is transforming the lives of men around the world. Now in two action packed volumes, each containing Biblical teaching and proven principles to help men conquer porn and walk in freedom.

Men are finding freedom by the thousands. Dr. Ted Roberts, host of the Conquer Series, has personally counselled over 10,000 men with a 90% success rate. He's taken his proven Biblically-based process and incorporated it into the Conquer Series. We are now seeing thousands of men finding freedom from porn and remaining free for years!

2025 Course Dates - TBD

Email us to find out more OR if you would like sign up for the upcoming course.



2 Year

Ministry Leadership

Diploma

**Duration: 15 courses, 8 weeks
per module completed at own
pace during the 8 weeks**

Where: Online

**Material: all resources
provided for each course**

Cost: ~ \$195 per course

**Course Dates: Begins June
2025**

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE!
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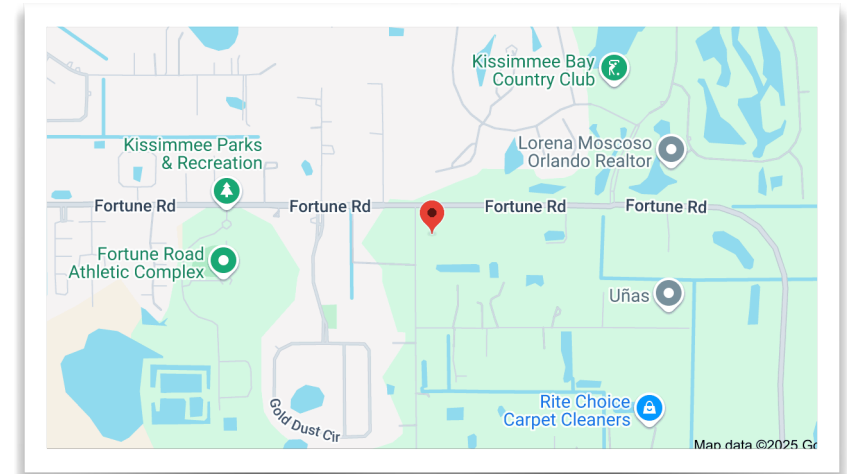
We have been praying that the Lord lead and show us how we may continue to encourage those wishing to become leaders in the church today. COSF has partnered with an international institute to offer a mentorship based 2 year ministry leadership certificate. We thank the Lord for His leading in this!

UPDATE: there's still time to sign up for the leadership course, if interested please register with the link. Initial emails for payment and system access will be going out in the next week or two. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Bhawani.

COSF In The Field

Christ Our Saviour Fellowship Florida *"I AM ...PATIENCE"*

We are looking forward to our next service in Florida! As we seek the Lord for guidance and preparations are under way, please pray for those who are again going forth as we continue to preach through the series on Galatians 5.



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1251 MARLLO ROAD
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Dates: June 7th, 2025

Times: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

**Location: 1251 Marllo Road,
Kissimmee, Florida**

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COSF International & Mission Notes

We continue into 2025 and we see the Lord leading us into His harvest field. This is an exporting to the regions we are called to - of what we have been called to do at home - preaching the Word, make disciples, feed the poor. This is unfolding as we engage with our brothers and sisters in each region, and we pray the Lord continue to bless and to lead us in the labour of His glory and righteous name.



COSF Africa

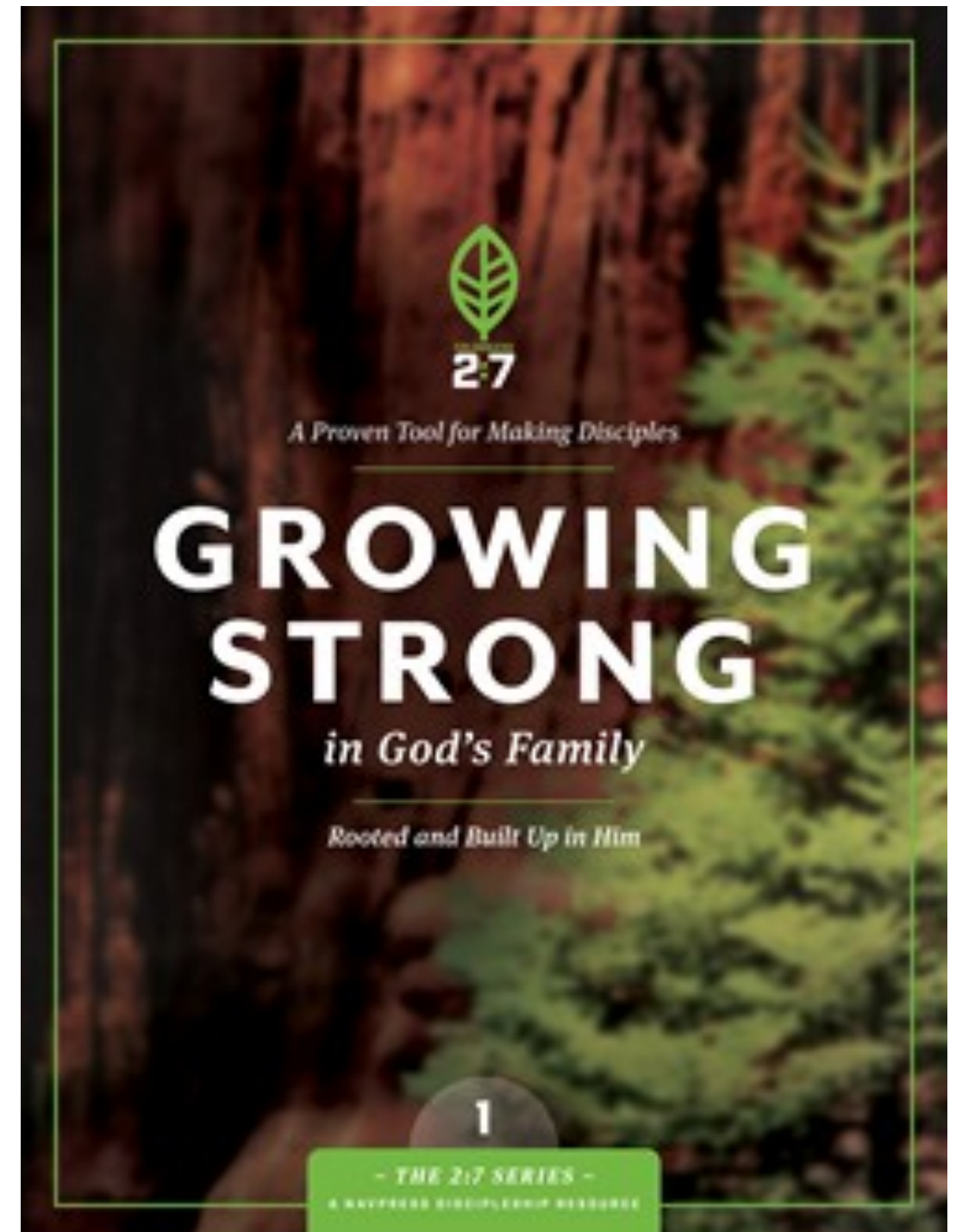
COSF Africa - We continue to pray for Pastor James who is recovering from a slip and fall. We also pray for continued perseverance for our other brothers participating on the discipleship course. They have seen a great change in their lives and a deepening relationship with the Lord since having begun.



Kenya & Uganda Location of COSF

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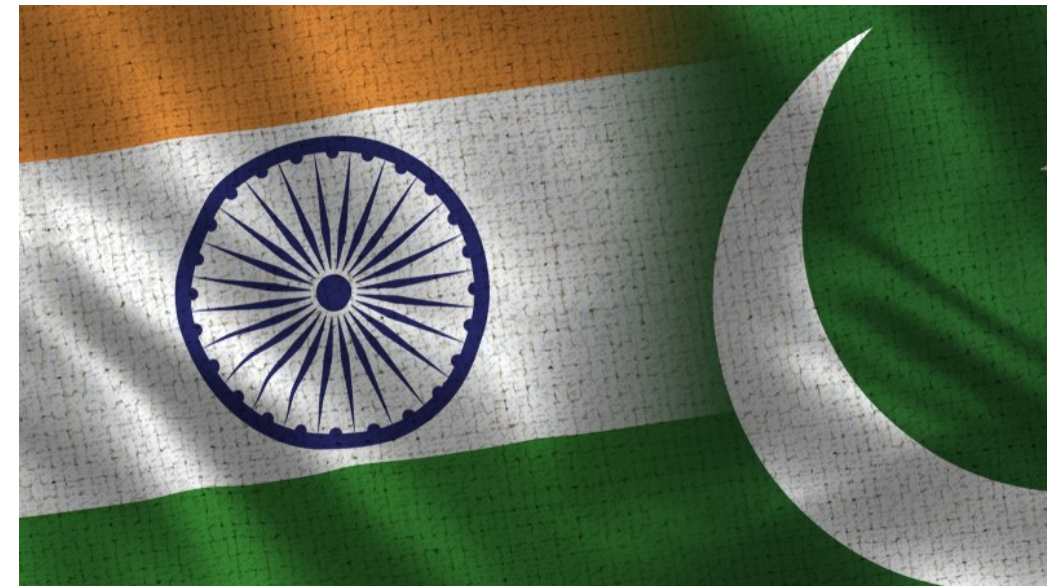
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AFRICA



COSF Carribean



The waters of baptism await as the Word is preached and hearts are turned by the grace of the Lord. Please pray the Lord continue to move in the hearts of those throughout the region.



COSF India & Pakistan Region

Praise the Lord as we have seen a selection of people the Lord has brought for us to labour together in Pakistan and India. Pray for them as we begin the same discipleship process as Canada and Africa!



COSF Central & South America

COSF @ Home

The Shepherd's Table

Our Shepherd's Table Ministry provides warm, nutritious meals for those in need locally and in the missions field where we are called.

UPDATES: We will be out this Saturday from 1:00-3:00.
Thank you all for your support and participation in the street ministry in Barrie

Menu: LAST WEEK- Beef and Vegetable Goulash
May 24th - Opa! Greek food: souvlaki, rice & potatoes

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Need a Ride to Church?

We have launched the right now media app. As we populate some of the rooms, you may receive an email asking you to download the app and join. If you are already using the right now media app (scan the QR code below) you can find the message rooms at the bottom in the message bubble. One of these groups is for Sunday transportation if you require a ride to Church on Sundays. Please let us know if you require a ride prior to Sunday as this will help us to coordinate things easier.



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God Will Meet You In Your Pain

What does it mean to rejoice in the midst of suffering? Pastor John Piper sits down with Matt Chandler and David Platt to discuss this question and to reflect on the ways they have each experienced God's goodness to them in their pain.

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Prayers For The Saints

Church Prayer - Tuesday Mornings both your Pastors are praying for YOU during our church prayer time. If you have a specific need or request please email us at info@christoursaviourfellowship.com

Please Pray For:

Pastor James in Kenya who fell and injured his hip. Please pray for a speedy recovery and return to the Pulpit and preaching the Word of God.

Tracy Morieira Lucas - Thank the Lord for all He has done, Tracy continues to recover well after her surgery

- COSF church location - we are seeking the Lord in finding a possible new location due to extremely high costs. Pray that the Lord lead us to where He wills for His house in a quick and joyous way!

- Sam and His family, as the Lord is moving in his life please pray the Lord lead them all to His glory.
- Please pray for the Lord to reveal His will for COSF regarding the missions and nations we are called to; that funding be provided to deliver the Gospel, and food to feed His people.
- There is great persecution of the church worldwide, please pray for the global church.
- COSF Worship Service Jun 7th- Please pray the Lord lead us in delivering His word to the people of Kissimmee Florida, safety and provision.
- Please pray for the leading and provision for COSF Africa and the July/August conference and crusades.
- *Please pray for everyone in the congregation for help of the Lord to overcome challenges of the past, rebuke the lies of the evil one and to realize the glory of God in their lives.*
- The waters of Baptism await those in Trinidad, please pray for encouragement in the hearts of those the Lord has begun a work in and reveal the truth of Himself to.
- Please pray for the COSF YOUTH program- the summer activities and discipleship intensive.

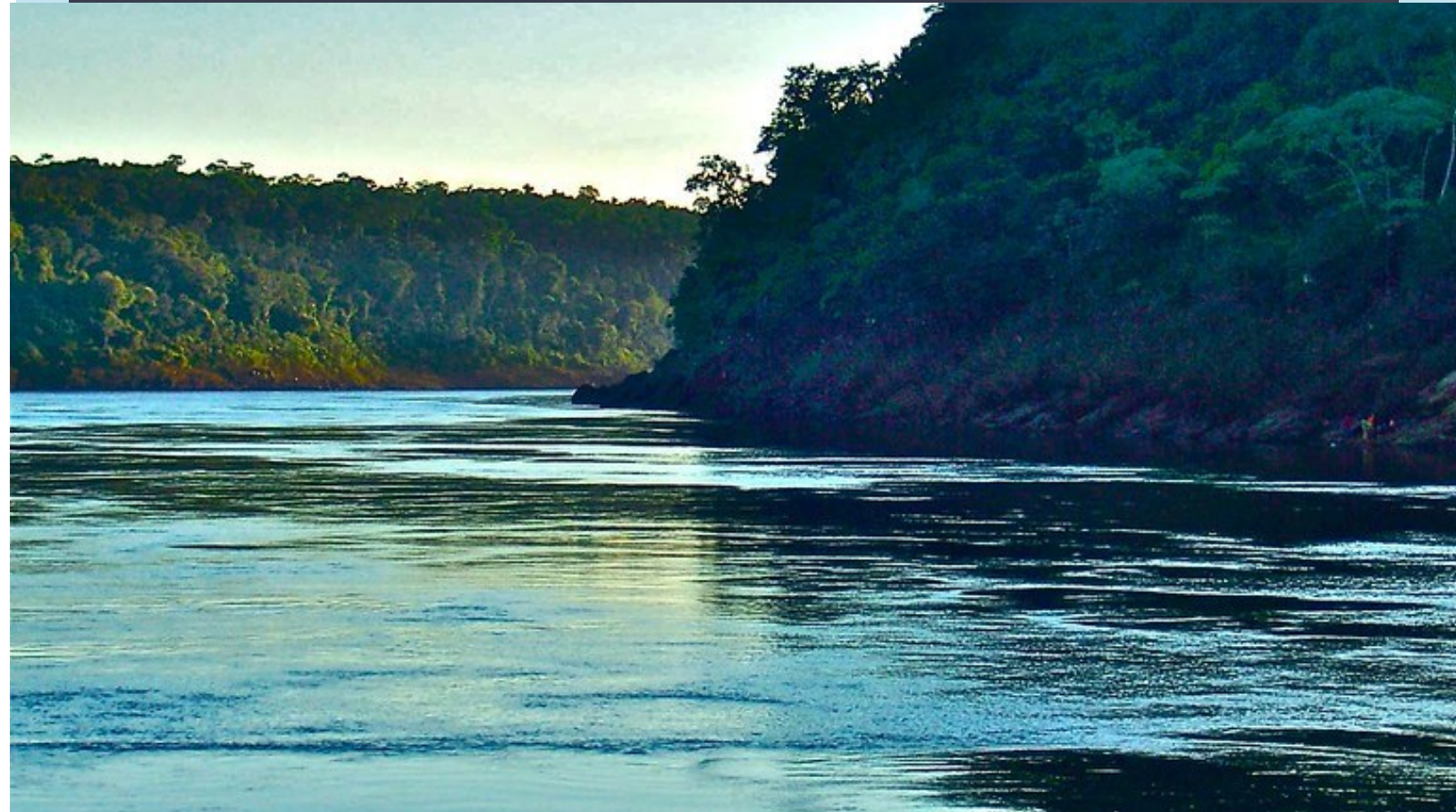
Scripture Memory Verse

Fellowship

And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

Baptism



Are you ready to accept our Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour and be obedient unto His command of Baptism? Please speak with us.