



CLARION CALL

Engaging the Next Gen

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Vision

To Engage the Young people in their Context and to Enable them to Fulfill their Unique Calling in Christ.

Mission

Organising Youth Events and Initiating Mentorship Programmes at Different Levels.

Core Values

1. Intimacy with God
2. Holiness
3. Word and Spirit Balance
4. Uniqueness in Calling
5. Aiming for God's Glory
6. Enduring Hardship
7. Financial Integrity
8. Inter-dependency
9. Family Atmosphere
10. Servant Leadership

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...
...and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age".*

(Matt 28:19,20)

From the Desk of the National Coordinator...

Dear Co-labourers in Christ's Vineyard,

We wish you a Blissful and a Blessed New Year 2025! Our God is the God of new beginnings. From His fullness, we receive grace upon grace (Jn 1:16). Each passing year brings in more challenges. Instead of being perplexed on how to handle them, let us desire and seek more grace from our Lord to handle them.

9 months have passed by since we launched "Clarion Call Mission" (CCM). It is marvellous in our sight when we look back and consider the things which God had done during these 9 months. We had convened the CCM Vision meetings at Tirunelveli (TN), Coimbatore (TN), Hyderabad (Telangana), Jeypore (Odisha), and Sagar (Madhya Pradesh), in which the vision of CCM and the burden to reach the Next Generation was passed on to about 380 key people and leaders. Apart from the 5 Vision Meetings, we organized our first Missions Conference at Coimbatore in which the 260 attendees were challenged and blessed. Nearly 400 commitments for different types of ministries were made. Following the meeting, we also organized a "Staff Retreat" for the CCM Staff for spiritual enrichment and strengthening.

A medical team of 18, including 6 doctors and 3 paramedical professionals, visited the GEMS Mission field in Bihar for field exposure and medical service.

Youth Retreats were organized in Assam (2 places), Odisha (3 places), Punjab (2 places), and Tamil Nadu (3 places). In total we organized 10 Youth Retreats in which 847 young people were blessed with the Word and Spirit. "Pebbles" is an initiative for the teens through which we conducted a camp for the teens at Mahabalipuram (Tamil Nadu). It was a blessing for 43 teens. Following this, a monthly Pebbles Meet was initiated in Chennai and is ongoing regularly. VBS was organized in Hyderabad in which 10 children were blessed. They are regularly visited through the weekly Kids' Meet. Our first Focus Centre was dedicated in Hyderabad (Telangana) and students are regularly counselled here. In Guntur, the economically weaker section of the society are being blessed with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. VBS was organized in 3 places in Uttar Pradesh in which 149 children were blessed. 5 students are being guided in their education through "Edulight", an educational mentorship programme under CCM.

We organized "UniqMentor", a Training Programme to raise more mentors, through online mode. 90 people were equipped to mentor the next generation. We released the "UniqMentor" Training Manual in Tamil in the month of December. We also printed and distributed the CCM Vision Calendar 2025. (If you need one, do reach out to us). At the time of writing this editorial, several Gospel Meetings are planned to be during Christmas time. God willing, we will give more information in the next news letter.

As we look back at these nine months and what God has done through the CCM team, it is unfathomable in human terms. We are a small team of 19 full-time staff and scores of lay volunteers. There were times when we looked to God for our everyday needs; indeed, God has been faithful every day and met all our needs. As

we ponder over the happenings through CCM, it is crystal clear that God is moving all over the Nation. He has counted us faithful for this ministry. Do pray that we remain faithful till our death and until our Lord appears.

In this new year, let us desire new graces to bless the new generation. We cannot carry on with the old methods and old graces. A new generation is coming up and we need to rise up to meet the challenges that we face. Let us humble ourselves as we may need to learn from the new generation – to seek them and to understand them. Let the love of God cover us all so that people around us can feel the very presence of God Himself. As I close this editorial, I am reminded of “Youth for Christ’s” slogan, “Geared to the Times, Anchored to the Rock”. This is what CCM tries to do. Let us all join together in blessing the next generation for Jesus Christ! Amen!

Missionary Jason, Clarion Call Mission (CCM)

God Is On The Move

“After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses’ assistant, “Moses my servant is dead. Now, therefore arise, go...” (Jos 1:1,2).

God is always on the move. He maintains an Eternal Diary. He has a plan and a timeline. He wants to accomplish certain things in this world as we are nearing the End-times, and He needs people who are willing to cooperate with Him according to His plan and His purpose. However, many a time, our plans, desires, and passions become a big stumbling block for God. It is for this very reason that we need to comply with His plan and purpose. We need to sign up (to His will) and give up (our will). This will make our spiritual journey easier.

Even in ministry, we can be blinded by our “sentimental passions and desires”. We might assume that something is God’s will when it is only our own passion and will. As we enter this new year 2025, let us examine ourselves at the Cross, and crucify our own plans, desires, dreams, and sentimental commitments. Note that the verses above do not express any kind of emotions for Moses. God had given Joshua sufficient time to grieve for his spiritual guide and father. However, when the grieving period was over, He wanted Joshua to rise, to take up the mantle, and to move on. The concern (burden) must be passed on. The ministry must continue. People must be led. The work must be completed. The vision must be fulfilled. Spiritual links cannot be broken. Let us not grieve excessively. Let us be thankful for the past and let us look to God for new grace and new strength. We need to move on.

Sometimes, we are prisoners of our past. At times, we come under the clutches of our old nature, failures, and negative experiences. These negative influences will either take us down a wrong route or totally immobilize us from moving forward. What is tethering us? Is it our sense of unworthiness? Our age? Our inexperience? A fear of failure? Whatever it be, let

us confess it and bring it under the Cross of Jesus Christ. In Him, we have deliverance, victory, and healing. Let us rise up and go on undeterred!

While some are under the clutches of negative experiences, there is a group suffering with what I term ‘Triple S Syndrome’ – Spiritually Senile Satisfaction Syndrome. We blurt out sentences like, “This is what I can do. This is over”, “I have finished my race”, “I have retired”, “My health is down”, “I want to lead a normal life”, “My spouse is not supportive”, “I am weak”, “I cannot travel”, “I am already bogged down with so many problems”, so on and so forth. Oh! My beloved! Please stop singing these laments. Dying for God and going to Heaven, to an eternity of singing praises and experiencing unending joy, is an easy thing. But, with our laments and self-imposed negativities, we will lose all that we can do for Him in this world right now. Our time on the earth is a tiny bubble from Eternity’s perspective, and it is the only time we have in all Eternity to cooperate with God and do His bidding on the Earth. We cannot come back to the world once again and make good for the loss. We cannot do later what we are supposed to do NOW.

“NOW, therefore arise, go...”

“NOW” is an important word. It is all about “NOW”. Not tomorrow, not the next year. We need to proceed NOW. We need to act NOW. We should not be idle. There is no neutral gear in our spiritual life. We will either go forward or backward. We will be either hot or cold. There is no middle ground. So, let us wait no more. Let us take up our Bible and diary, and start praying. Let us ask God what He wants us to do in this limited span of life that we have on the Earth. He will guide us and lead us. May we fulfill God’s plan in our lives.

May God Give Us A New Beginning!

Amen and God Bless!

- D. Jason

The Trumpeters - 3

“But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise” (1 Cor 1:27).



Being born in a nominal Christian family and having an atheist father, Raja Subramani didn't have much of a scope to know Christ. He could hardly read the Bible properly and didn't know how to pray.

Not only was his spiritual life in shambles, but he was also not good in his academics. He did not fair well in class 6 and 7, and was eventually sent out of the school for his poor performance. However, by the sheer grace of God, he was able to complete B.A., B.Ed.

Things began to change when he was introduced to a Youth Boys Christian fellowship during his college

days. He was edified in the Word of God, and he began to grow spiritually. It was during those days, he heard God speaking through Matthew 9:37, where He burdened Raja about the lack of labourers. God also spoke to him through Matthew 16:24. Raja felt that God was calling him for fulltime ministry. But he was not willing to submit to that call and pursued a career in teaching. He taught for Class 7 students in the very school that rejected him. After a period of three years, he plunged himself into mines business with his brother-in-law. He found himself being surrounded constantly by silica mines and lorries. His dry and arid physical environment matched his spiritual life – both were dry and parched.

The Lord who is abounding in grace gave another chance to Raja. He revisited him in the year 2015; Raja (name meaning king) entered the service of the King of Kings at Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh. It was his first Mission station. He ministered among young people and encouraged many. In the year 2016, God blessed him with his life partner Aparna and they ministered as a family.

They then moved from Jabalpur to Hyderabad and are now ministering among young people for the past 5 years. They are blessed with 2 daughters – Elsa Jesslyn (7 yrs) and Elina Rohi (2.5 yrs).

God is using them to bless the youth in the city through youth programmes, online Hope Cells and counselling services. By the grace of God, they could inaugurate, “Focus Centre” for young people to gather, pray, and get counselling. Aparna Raja is a great support to Raja and is involved in kids' ministry. May the Lord who has called them enable them to serve Him faithfully till the end!

A Lasting Impact (How to pray for the missionaries?)

“Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed” (Ex 17:11).

The fight against the Amalekites by the Israelites during their exodus from Egypt (Ex 17:8-16) is a classic example on the importance of prayer for ministry. Living in the end-times, we not only need Joshuas to devise the war strategy to fight the enemy, but also need fighting men (and women). Yet, their effectiveness on the battlefield is determined by the prayer support they receive from Moses and his team – Aaron and Hur. Increase in prayer reduces casualties and brings us closer to victory.

Herein, we would like to give you some guidelines to ‘SPOTLIGHT’ – a prayer initiative of Clarion Call Mission (CCM) – to pray for the people who are ministering in the grass-root level.

S – Spiritual Life – Pray that the missionaries may always have a closer walk with the Lord. That they will be able to spend unhurried times at His feet daily and determine His will. That the gifts of the Holy Spirit operate, and they abound in the fruit of the Spirit.

P – Perseverance – Pray that they will have a fighting spirit and not quit too soon. That they will stand firm in their calling.

O – Oneness – Pray for oneness among the spouses and among the team members. That they will discern the devil's tactics and not yield to it. That they will be accountable to each other.

T – Testimony – Pray that they lead an exemplary life – holy and blameless – wherever they are. That people around them will be impacted by the way they live. That not only the missionaries but also their kids should lead a witnessing Christ-like life.

L – Language – Pray that the Lord who created languages gives them the needed wisdom to learn the language in whichever soil they are and to speak, write and preach like a native. That they adapt to the local culture as per God's guidance.

I – Insight – Pray that they will be able to understand the root cause of the problem. That they will be able to discern and will not take decisions/act based on what meets their eye.

G – Gospel – Pray that God opens doors for them to share the Good News with authority. That many will be freed from the bondages of Sin.

H – Health – Pray that God protects/heals them and their family members from sicknesses. That they take care of their body properly. That they are not affected by stress, diseases prevalent in their field, accidents and the like.

T – Trials – Pray that they and their family members endure hardships, sufferings and tribulations boldly for Christ and stand firm till their last breath.

As we pray regularly for the frontline workers, we would be amazed to find out the results of the prayers. We can witness the routing of the enemy camp and plundering of the spoils. As days roll by, we will start to hear reports of victory. At times, even if we are not aware of the results here in this world, Heaven would surprise us as how many things were wrought in the Kingdom of God through our prayers.

- Dr. John Melbin, Missionary, CCM

Acts of the Clarion Staff

Praise

- For 2 of our media personnel who were able to participate in a training programme on movie making. May God use them to produce quality Christian content for the NextGen.
- For the open doors that God has given us in a school at Odisha.
- For the 80 young people who participated in a Youth Retreat at Gurudaspur, Punjab, for the first time ever. They were edified in the Word and strengthened in the Spirit.
- For the 80 young people who participated in a Youth Retreat at Amritsar, Punjab. This was the first youth meeting for them as well. Many had travelled long distances to attend the meeting. God filled them with the bounties from heaven.
- By the grace of God, UniqMentor, online training program to raise mentors has been completed.

Pray that the participants will apply what they have learnt and be useful vessels for the Lord.

- For the opportunity to share God's love through the various Christmas programmes conducted by our teams in our various Mission stations (More details in February issue). Pray for the salvation of the souls.

Pray

- For Yasha, an exclusive camp for boys during Jan 13-16, 2025.
- For those who will be participating in the 21 Days Freedom Challenge from Jan 1. That God will enable them to break a bad habit and form a good habit (Please visit our website for more information).
- For the Keyboard classes to be initiated in Hyderabad, Telangana.
- For a land in Odisha for hospital construction.

Christmas Gift For Missionaries

CCM missionaries **thank you** for making their first Christmas special with your gift of love. We offer our heartfelt thanks to each of you who had contributed to this noble cause. May Jehovah Jireh continue to bless you and use you as a blessing.

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