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*"Year of Witnessing"* [Mark 5:34]





## *Presbyter's Desk*

*“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!” [2 Corinthians. 5:17]*

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Dear all

Paul's Letter of 2 Corinthians Chapter 5 Verses 17 talks about a great offering from Jesus Christ to the whole humanity. Which means the verses says that “if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away”. Any of the people can find a new beginning in Christ. Everybody can become a new creation. We can understand God's grace and mercy are wide enough to encompass anyone. Here Paul introduces Christ as the only one that gives us the new beginning, and He is the only one that changes us from within. Through this new beginning or new birth everybody can get a new transformation. This transformation will change everything, because Paul says that “the old things have passed away”. Here we can understand the new relation to God is the basis of new creation.

Paul's second letter to Corinthians is primarily evangelical in nature. Through this given passage Paul deliver the message about new creation in Christ and reconciliation with God (2 Corinthian 5:18, 19, and 20). Chapter 5:17 talks about the new beginning or birth in Christ. Without any distinction everybody can receive this offer from Christ. Whoever came to Christ has become a new

creation in Christ. The old or past can be gone, the new can come. This usage of new creation we can read as parallel between God's creation in Genesis and the new creation in Christ. God changed the chaotic nature of the universe into shape. But here God made every human being as a new creation through Jesus Christ. Jesus provides a new meaning and a new order for our lives.

Verses 18, 20 really talks about the message of reconciliation. Through this Paul reveals the purpose of his ministry in Corinth. That was to influence the people to be reconciled to God (5:20). The Divine activity of reconciliation Paul understood as a noblest and finest expression of the love of God. This activity of reconciliation is completed by God through Christ. Jesus Christ healed the broken relationship between God and humanity.

One of the important features of both the themes of new creation and reconciliation are interconnected each other. Jesus Christ made possible reconciliation between human and God through His sacrificial death on cross. He paid the penalty for us and made peace with God. Reconciliation is concedes as one of the important eschatological blessing from God. Reconciliation with God we can read as the reconciliation among God's people. But in the present day world context we can see the relation between human to human and human to God is broken dangerously.

The epistles to the Corinthians were written to the church that resided in Corinth of Achaia. One of the important features of this letter is the essence of Christian faith. Through this selected portion Paul mainly focused on the new creation and the reconciliation to human beings to God almighty. Here Paul is considered himself as a messenger or ambassador for Christ because; He is the centre of new creation and Reconciliation. May God help us to continue our Christian journey as a new creation with the soul of reconciliation to human beings and to the nature.

God Bless you all

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# NEWS & EVENTS

## *Almanac for the month of August 2022*

Date	Name of Sunday	Theme	Lessons
August 07	Laity Sunday	Laity: Witness of Christ	Gen. 6:1-10 1 Thimo. 1:12-17 Psalms:125 John.1:43-51
August 14	10th Sunday after Pentecost	Baptism: Born from above	Gen. 8:1-14 Colo.3:1-11 Psalms. 25 John. 3:1-8
August 21	11th Sunday after Pentecost	Sacrament of Holy Communion	Exod: 12:1-14 1 Cor. 10:14-22 Psalms. 42 Luke. 22:7-20
August 28	12th Sunday after Pentecost	God and people of all faith	Amos.9:1-12 Rom. 2:17-29 Psalms 66 John 10:14-19
Septem: 05	Choir Sunday	Music of the Redeemed of the Lord: Proclamation of Witness	Exod. 15:1-13 Rev. 14:1-5 Psalms:107: 1-16 Luke. 1:68-79

## NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

1. We have resumed cottage prayer meetings from last month. Requesting members to actively participate in these meetings.
2. Congratulations to all the children who have cleared their school examinations and wish them all the best for their higher studies.
3. Very. Rev. P.O. Ninan passed away on July 28th at Mallapally. He was the first missionary at Andhra mission and has led many of the missionary projects of Madhya Kerala.
4. Our Vidyakiran initiative was put to a temporary halt due to covid. It is the time to revive the initiative as a part of our social commitment to the society – suggestions are invited.
5. We have resumed the Tithe collection from July month – request all earning families to participate in the offering – we will use the collection for various upcoming activities of the church.
6. We have cloth bags available at the church. Those who are interested can buy the same on a payment of Rs. 50. Let's reduce use of plastic in our everyday life.

### **Cottage Prayer :**

1. 21st August @ 6.00 pm : At the residence of Mr. Liju Oommen, Faridabad



## *Birthday Greetings To*

August 1	Mr. K.P. Koshy	
August 2	Mr. Jijo Johnson	
August 4	Mr. LijuOommen	
August 5	Ms. Irene Valsa Jacob	D/o Mr. Jeril Jacob
August 6	Mr. Iype Varghese	
August 8	Mrs. Shally Jacob	W/o Mr. Sunil Issac Jacob
August 9	Mr. Denis Thomas	S/o Mr. K.M. Thomas
August 11	Mr. Oommen Thomas	
August 12	Mrs. Annie Mathew	W/o Mr. Mathew George
August 16	Mr. Sam Mathai	
August 20	Mrs. Mercy John	W/o Mr. John James
August 21	Mr. Alex George	S/o Mr. P.C. George
August 21	Mr. Jibin Daniel	S/o Mr. T.M Daniel
August 21	Master Ruben Ashly	S/o Mr. Ashly Jayaraj
August 21	Miss. Aksa Merin Chacko	D/o Mr. Kuruvilla M. Chacko
August 22	Mr. Benzon John	
August 24	Mrs. JincyJeeven	W/o Mr. Jeeven Jacob
August 25	Mr. Jerin Abraham	S/o Mr. Abraham George
August 25	Mrs. Sherly Abraham	W/o Mr. Abraham Oommen
August 26	Mr. Jeril Jacob	
August 26	Mr. K.M Thomas	
August 27	Mr. Nithish Mathew	S/o Mr. Mathew George
August 27	Master Sharon John	S/o Mr. C.V. John
August 28	Mr. Ashly Jayaraj	
August 29	Mrs. Jessy Koshy	W/o Mr. Koshy K. Koshy



## *Wedding Anniversary Greetings To*

August 6	Mr. John Mathew and Mrs. Valsa John
August 13	Mr. Benzon John and Mrs. Achamma Benzon
August 16	Mr. Jacob P Joshua and Mrs. Jomol Jacob
August 19	Mr. Thomas Mathew and Mrs. Mariamma Mathew
August 20	Mr. Bipin K. Chandy and Mrs. Susna Bipin
August 21	Mr. Joseph John and Mrs. Salu Joseph
August 21	Mr. Nishanth A. Mathew and Mrs. Lejo Nishanth
August 21	Mr. Nirmal Abraham George and Mrs. Sneha Valsa Mathew
August 26	Mr. Bobby Mathew and Mrs. Asha Bobby Mathews
August 27	Mr. M.C. Mathew and Mrs. Susamma Mathew
August 30	Mr. LijuOommen Mrs. Sunitha Liju



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