



Jesus' Relatives

Everyone has relatives. Jesus did too. Jesus' family tree is listed in Matthew 1. Some of those names are hidden below:

ABRAHAM	AHAZ	ASA	BOAZ	DAVID
ISAAC	JACOB	JEHORAM	JESSE	JOSEPH
JOSIAH	JUDAH	MARY	OBED	PEREZ
RAHAB	RAM	RUTH	SOLOMON	



Bible Quiz – 09

In the Bible, which of these is not one of Joseph's eleven brothers?

- a. Rueben, b. Michael, c. Ephraim, d. Benjamin

Send your answer to mfgcchronicle@gmail.com

Bible Quiz - 08 – Champs

Aerin Ann Soney – 7 yrs, Shweta Maria Mathew – 10 yrs
Adwin Alias – 11 yrs, Sherin Shaji – 12 yrs

BQ – 08 answer: 8

First Time Visitor

Welcome to the MFGC Family!

We believe that you came here neither by chance nor by yourself, but God has brought you here with a great purpose. We are glad to see you today and we thank you for joining us for worship. Please join us in the coming days, as we commit our lives in prayer, lift our hearts in worship, and extend our hands to serve in His name.

Church Program Schedule

Friday Worship

Holy Trinity Church, Dubai
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Holy Trinity Church, Dubai - Community Hall
Malayalam Service - 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM
Children's English Service - 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM
Scripture Class - 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Thursday Worship

Holy Trinity Church, Dubai - Hall No.F3
English Service - 8:45 PM to 10:45 PM

Bible Study

Holy Trinity Church, Dubai - Hall no.C2
Malayalam - Mon - 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM
English - Wed - 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM
St. Martin's Church, Sharjah
Wed - 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM

B.Th Class

Holy Trinity Church, Dubai - Hall No.Upper Chapel
Sat - 8:30 PM to 10:30 PM

Care Cell Meeting

Various locations

Ladies Meeting

Sharjah parsonage
Sat - 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
Except 1st Sat of the month

Personal Counselling

Sharjah parsonage
Thu - 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM



Shepherd's Voice

Church – the Bride of Christ

What is the Church?

The word "church" comes from the Greek word ekklesia which means "separated ones" or "called out ones." The New Testament church is a body of believers who have been called out from the world by God to live as His people under the headship of Jesus Christ. The church was formed on the day of the Pentecost through the work of the Holy Spirit. The church was instituted by God and was purchased by the blood of Jesus Christ – Acts 20:28. Hence, we see all the three personalities of the Trinity involved in the formation of the church.

The Purpose of the Church

The purpose of the church is three-fold:

- Purpose towards God – Worship God
- Purpose towards fellow believers – edify and bring each member to spiritual maturity
- Purpose towards the world – Ministry of reconciliation/evangelism



Editor's Desk

Expiry date of the Earth

A short interval after the world failing to end in the year 2000, we are fast approaching another expiry date for the Earth fixed by doomsday prophets. There are a lot of theories as to why there will be mass chaos and destruction in 2012, ranging from the much hyped Mayan calendar to scientific claims by NASA.

The ancient long count Baktun cycle of the Mayan Calendar runs out on Dec 21, 2012 and it is thought that on this day, the world will end. It has also been predicted that on Dec 21, 2012, the earth will flip on its axis causing many continents to move hundreds of miles. This geomagnetic reversal is expected to cause natural disasters of unimaginable magnitude such as worldwide earthquakes, 300 ft high tsunamis, eruptions of super volcanoes, to name a few.

Change of frequency vibrations given off by the earth, progressively weakening magnetic field, impending polar flip, the intergalactic alignment, the Mayan calendar, super volcanoes like the Yellowstone National Park volcano erupting, solar flares burning up our satellites and electrical fields, the so called sightings of Planet X or Nibiru, have all resulted in predictions of a mammoth disaster which is more than our planet could possible endure in one year.

No dated predictions have ever come true, yet, dates continue to be set and people continue to be fascinated and even anxious about them as they approach. The vast number of hits in google on 2012 end of the world theories, survival guides etc tell us that the doomsday prophecies haunt the waking moments of the earthlings.

MFGC NEWS

MFGC Dubai, express our deepest condolence on the sad demise of Br. Amose Francis, aged 81, father of Br Francis Christy and sad demise of Sis. Celine Sebastian, 90, mother of Br. D. Sebastian who were promoted to glory this month. May the Lord fill both the family with peace that surpasses all understanding to bear this irreparable loss.

Precious Gift from the God

Psalms 127: 3 says *"children are an heritage of the LORD; and the fruit of the womb is his reward"*

Br.Kishore and Sis. Reji are blessed with a Baby

Book released

Ps. Juxy Mathew officially released a book written by one of our members, Br. Babu Jibson. Br. Philip George received the first copy. The book is a true gift for anyone who wants to understand the heresies and false teachings prevalent in the traditional churches. Br. Jibson has beautifully presented the truth in the light of the unchanging Word of God.



The 9 Fruit of the Holy Spirit

3. Peace

Here is how the quality of peace is described in some of the different Bible dictionaries and commentaries:

1. The presence and experience of right relationships
2. The tranquility of soul
3. Sense of well-being and fulfillment that comes from God and is dependent on His presence
4. The inner tranquility and poise of the Christian whose trust is in God through Christ
5. Tranquility, rest, harmony, the absence of agitation or discord

The quality of peace should be one of the main qualities that you should try and get worked up into your soul through the Holy Spirit in the sanctification process. Without the peace of God operating in your life, you could become very easily rattled, shaken, tormented and knocked right off of your game in the Lord the first time any adversity should ever come your way.

Editor's Desk

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What should a Christian do? "This is what the LORD says: "Do not learn the ways of the nations or be terrified by signs in the sky, though the nations are terrified by them". – Jeremiah 10:2. We need not google for the safest place on earth to survive the 2012 disasters. A Christian's survival guide for 2012 is the Bible, grounded firm in our Savior's promise, to return and take us with Him - John 14:2-3. The 2012 predictions, whether hoax or real, tell us one thing for sure – the sound of our Lord's footsteps are nearer than ever! Are you ready?

4. Longsuffering

Here are the different definitions for the word longsuffering:

1. Forbearance, patience
2. Patient endurance and steadfastness under provocation
3. Forbearance under ill-will, with no thought of retaliation
4. Patience, endurance, steadfastness and forbearance
5. Forbearance under suffering and endurance in the face of adversity
6. Ability to endure persecution and ill-treatment
Learn to ride and flow with the patience of the Holy Spirit in your daily life and walk with the Lord – and you will then be able to enter into a much more restful and peaceful state within your mind and emotions.

5. Kindness

Here are some of the different definitions of what real kindness is all about:

1. Quality or state of being kind
2. The steadfast love that maintains relationships through gracious aid in times of need
3. Goodness of heart, serviceable, good, gracious, pleasant
4. Love for mankind, hospitality, acts of kindness, readiness to help, human friendship, benevolence, taking care of others
5. Goodness in action, sweetness of disposition, gentleness in dealing with others, affability
6. The ability to act for the welfare of those taxing your patience

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Jesus - The Miracle Worker

I believe in Jesus Christ and I follow Jesus as His disciple. Although, I have witnessed several times the power of God in my life, this miracle happened in my wife's family who still have not come into faith in Jesus.

My 81 year old mother-in-law, Mrs. Lakshmi Menon, was suffering from 4th stage intestinal cancer and osteoporosis. The disease had spread inside her abdomen and her doctors predicted



that she will not live beyond 15 Aug 2011. Medical science could not help her except by numbing the pain with pain killers. My mother-in-law spent more than 20 days on the hospital bed, in Delhi, without medications or food. She could take a spoonful of water only, as she laid there with her eyes closed.

My wife spent around a month at her mother's bedside but there was no change observed in her. But all these while, I was praying continuously for her recovery. The entire MFGC prayed for my mother-in-law. We went to Delhi to meet her and we cried out to our Lord to heal her. The mighty God that we serve, answered our prayers and healed her. We observed that she started taking food and walking to the bathroom all by herself by supporting on the wall. She said she felt no pain and had regained her appetite.

I strongly believe that this was brought about by our fervent prayers. God, in His mercy, answered

our cries. I pray that she will live for another 10 years and that God will help me to bring her to Dubai to our fellowship, to praise and glorify God together. I thank each and every member of MFGC who prayed for my mother-in-law. God bless you all abundantly!

Bro. Sujathan Nair

Shepherd's Voice

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Becoming a Member of the Church

As the church is instituted by God Himself, it is God who adds members to His Church – Acts 20:28. The members, who are added to the church, are the ones who are saved or born again. A person becomes a member of the church by believing in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior.

The universal church is made up of every single person who believes in Jesus Christ for salvation. The local church is a local assembly of believers that meets together for worship, fellowship, teaching, prayer and encouragement in faith.

He that believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believes not shall be condemned - Mark 16:16. The basic eligibility required of a member is belief in Jesus Christ, baptism in water and baptism in the Holy Spirit. Apart from these, a believer is one who practices the below continuously throughout his life:

- listen to Apostolic teachings
- maintain fellowship with other believers
- observe the Lord's supper
- sustain an active prayer life

The church is not a building or a denomination. It is the body of Christ, made up of all those who have placed their faith in Jesus Christ for salvation, from the day of Pentecost, until Christ's return. The Holy Spirit is in the process of preparing the church as the bride of Christ, to be presented to God without stain or blemish and Jesus continues to reach out to the perishing world, through those He has redeemed—the Church.