

TUVIA

PASTOR'S DESK



We are excited in bringing the first edition of Tuvia for the year 2013. This newsletter captures the last 3 months of our ministry in 2012. Indeed the last three months of 2012, God changed the tide and winds in our favor. It was one of the most unforgettable quarter in our church history. Thanks for your support and prayers.

2013 is on and God is Faithful to lead us. It's been declared as an year of God's Agape love. His love will pull us out from every fearful and hopeless situation. His calling is on you this year. The covenant keeping God will cover us under His wings and be our refuge . Move into your calling-let nothing stop you. We have no much time left. Let's give it our best shot for Him this year.

Once again we request your prayers, partnership and love.

1Thess 5:24

For His Calling, Believing in His Covenant, Agreeing for His covering

Pastor Ashley and Sheba

INCREASE 2012

Anniversaries are special and its been 25 years since IPA first stepped into Karnataka. Rev Dr Job Gnanaprakasam had a burden for this state and started its work here in the year 1987. Rev Andrew Prakasam spearheaded the movement for the next few years. In order to thank God for His hand upon the movement specially in the state, ShelterHouse Church initiated the INCREASE 2012. All the IPA Churches in the state were a part of this thanksgiving service. Rev David Prakasam(President, IPA Churches) was the chief guest and he delivered a powerful sermon. Many were healed,saved and delivered. The INCREASE theme was echoed and the churches enjoyed the comfort of the Holy Ghost. Rev Peter Prakasam also spoke about the need of Faith in the process of increase. Skits, Praise and Worship were other highlights of the evening.

Pastor Ashley Benjamin was appointed and prayed for to be the Co-ordinator of IPA Movement in Karnataka. The Karnataka church planting exercise and growth is named as KARNATAKA INCREASE PROJECT. Please pray for the state of Karnataka and the IPA movement here



CHURCH 4th ANNIVERSARY

The INCREASE 2012 sessions also included the Annual Thanksgiving Service of ShelterHouse Church on November 17th. 4 years for the Lord in Bangalore and the Lord helped us as a church to branch out and be a blessing to many nations and states. The former members of ShelterHouse are also a great blessing in the local churches they gather now. Rev David Prakasam and Rev Daniel Paul were the guest speakers. The Lord ministered prophetically through the words of His servants and it was a great time of blessing and breakthrough. Rev Daniel Paul stressed the need for us to view the events happening in Israel and see how it reflects on the church.

Rev David Prakasam prophetically declared that the church would increase and would be a center of His glory and blessings.



VISION SUNDAY AND POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP



VISION
THOUSANDS

The Vision for the Year 2013 was presented by Pastor on the 16th Of December 2012. This was followed by a potluck lunch which was a superb spread of different cuisines.

The coming year will focus more on church growth and discipleship besides organizing Arise campaigns and Mark6:37 social projects. Bro Bewin Samuel and Sis Shalini Bewin was given the BLESSING OF THE YEAR title for their outstanding leadership and participation through the year.

Vision Thousands project also was launched. This is the platform to dream big and to pray big for the Increase of the local church. Bro Solomon Raj will spearhead the VT team.

LOOKING UP-Anne Graham Lotz

..though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith...may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed." 1 Peter 1:6-7

Have you ever wondered if you could maintain your commitment to Christ under intense pressure and persecution? Have you ever wondered what happened to the disciples of Jesus? According to tradition: Philip was scourged and crucified.

Matthew was nailed to the ground with spikes and beheaded.

Jude was beaten to death with sticks and clubs.

Simon was tortured and crucified.

John, son of Zebedee, was possibly tortured and exiled.

James, brother of John, was beheaded.

Andrew, Peter's brother, hung on a cross for three days before dying.

Bartholomew was beaten and skinned alive before being beheaded.

Thomas was speared with a javelin.

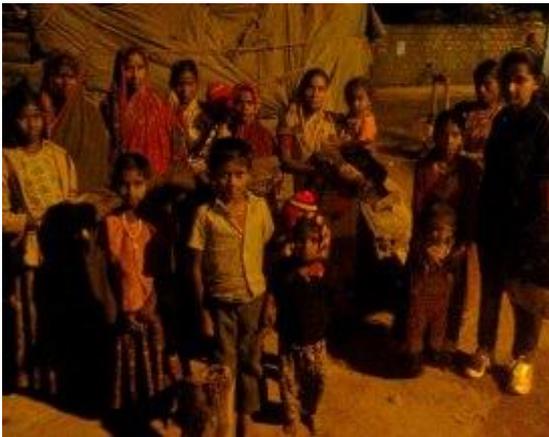
And Peter was crucified - upside down. Every single one of our Lord's beloved disciples, with the possible exception of John, suffered cruel torture. Why? Not for saying Jesus of Nazareth had been crucified - the world knew of and confirmed His death. The disciples were tortured, vilified, exiled, and executed for saying He had risen from the dead. They were put to death for their conviction that Jesus Christ was alive and that He is Lord! Have you ever wondered if you could maintain your commitment to Christ under intense pressure and persecution? How can you and I be faithful to the end? The apostle Peter penned a letter to the early church that exuded passionate love for Christ and exuberant joy in knowing Him, even though his relationship with Christ would cost him his life within the year. How could he maintain a joyous, faithful commitment to the end? Peter kept looking up (www.annegrahamlotz.com)

A RAY OF HOPE-Christmas Program

Christmas is a time of joy and happiness. Yet this Christmas we sensed the need to take the message of hope in these desperate times. The Christmas Program this year was organized by the Jasper Circle Group in Silver County Apartment Party Hall. Almost 80 people gathered in response to the invitation.

The ShelterHouse choir sang carols based on the theme "A RAY OF HOPE". Pastor Ashley Benjamin shared the Christmas message in between the carols which was crisp and hope filled. "In the backdrop of Newtown shootings and the cruel Delhi gangrape-only Christ can give hope. Only Jesus is the ray of hope in this dark world"-Pastor Ashley shared during his Christmas message.

Through Mark 6:37 we could also distribute blankets to economically weaker sections who were staying in the open cold or in adverse situations. To God be the praise. Pastor Ashley Benjamin spoke for Christmas and prayed for the sick in Bethel Church Udamalpet. Many were touched and healed.



**Thanks for all your support
prayers and partnership for the
ShelterHouse Church!! We
cherish it much and you are in our
prayers!!**

Have a splendid 2013