

Testimonies:

APC-Dimapur, Nagaland

Ps. Atobo shared that 4 new people gave their lives to Christ recently.

APC-Doha

A lot of good things are happening at APC-Doha, being pastored by Ranjith and Anju Philip. Between 15-18 people gather together for prayer at their home – a mix of Indian and Fillipino folks. Once they reach about 25, they will move to a rented place. Reported some healing miracles and great answers to prayer. One of the Fillipino women - whose life was dramatically changed, She is now baptized in the Spirit, and a "changed woman"

Take a few minutes to lead in prayer for APC-Dimapur and APC-Doha.

Email (2 emails, from the same person, this week on Tuesday):

Tue morning: Once again thank you for a great series (Mon to Sat), I am really challenged to pray for the sick and to see signs & wonders 'out there'. I should have a testimony or two by Saturday....

Tue Later in the day: My wife had a bad stomach pain and had to visit the toilet twice this morning before going for a funeral. She asked me to pray for her and I prayed that the pain go and there would be no need for her to use the toilet (would have been difficult to find one at a funeral house in the slums). God answered my prayer and she was healed. And guess what its TUESDAY!! Yipppeee!

Sunday August 30, 2009 M-T-S Ministry (Monday-To-Saturday)

Review

"The MTS Mandate"

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Today: The MTS Ministry

Objective: Inspire believers to integrate "ministry" with every day life and vocation, MTS.

Ministry definition: Any service unto the Lord is ministry. Any God-ordained activity is ministry.

As believers, we must see all of life as ministry, i.e. a service unto and for the Lord and the cause of His Kingdom.



We are kings and priest unto God all the time 24/7, MTS and Sunday.

Revelation 1:5,6

5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, 6 and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Whatever we do, we are to do it to the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31 Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

All of life is ministry. \leftarrow IMPORTANT

All of us are in ministry – full-time!

None of us are in part-time ministry!

There is no part-time anointing in the New Testament, and hence no part-time ministry.

That is why we keep repeating: At APC every believer is a minister!

Many of us relegate "ministry" to doing a specific activity at a set time, e.g. on the weekends, at a set place, e.g. church service, prayer meeting, Life Group, etc. While these activities are ministry, we must change our thinking about when and how ministry happens. We need to see all of life as ministry. Integrate service unto the Lord and accomplishment of Kingdom purpose in all that you do.

"In every thing I do, I am serving you"

Adam in the Garden

We've discussed this several times before – many of you may recall the sermon "Tending The Garden" -

God designed work – before the Fall.

Work is a God ordained activity, and therefore must be seen as ministry – something done for the Lord, to serve His purposes and for His glory.

In the message "Tending The Garden" we unfolded 5 key insights:

- 1, Worship would have continued through the work day
- 2, Worship and work would both be unto God
- 3, God would have been at work
 - a) God's creative abilities would be released through man
 - b) Discovering and harnessing laws in God's creation would have been exciting
- 4. Fruitfulness, multiplication and increase would be a natural outcome
- 5, Work would be enjoyable, something of pleasure

[Pastors, feel free to share any relevant examples in the sections below:]



You At home

In taking care of your family, you are doing ministry.

1 Timothy 5:4,7,8

4 But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God.

7 And these things command, that they may be blameless.

8 But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

In loving and serving your spouse, you are doing ministry.

In helping your kids study, you are doing ministry. You are helping in preparing some one become a "mover and shaker" for God's kingdom.

1 Timothy 3:4 one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence

You In School/College

Students, in your studies, see your studies as an opportunity to position yourself to make your life count for Kingdom purpose.

Look for opportunities to influence other lives for Christ.

You On Your job

On your job – see yourself as positioned to serve Kingdom purposes.

Ephesians 6:5,6

5 Bondservants, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Christ;

6 not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart,

Ephesians 6:5,6 (modernized)

5, <u>Employees</u> be obedient to those who are your <u>managers</u> according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Christ;

6 not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as <u>employees</u> of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart,

e.g. Dr. Anitha Oomen, Professor of Anatomy, in Medical college

"Preach at all times, use words when necessary" - xxxxx

You in your recreation

Use opportunities even during your recreation to serve Kingdom purposes.

You in church

And of course in the context of the local church – whether it is a Sunday service, a Life group meeting or any thing else, do what you can to serve others and serve Kingdom purposes.

Ministry in church does not only have to do with up-on-stage kind of activity.



- 1 Corinthians 12:14,18,22
- 14 For in fact the body is not one member but many.
- 18 But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.
- 22 No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary.

All of us have different gifts and grace on our lives. God has set each of us in place and given each of us a role and function just as He saw fit. Those members/role/functions which seem less important are actually necessary and are given more honor by God.

Some "Do's and Don'ts"

Some do's and don'ts in integrating ministry in to every day life and vocation:

- Be bold
- Be natural flow seamlessly
 - o e.g. Vijay Chandy, Senior Manager at Morgan-Stanley
- Don't be obnoxious (unbearable, intolerable, detestable)
 - o Being hyper-spiritual causes people to resent your presence.
- Don't be stupid use wisdom

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WRAP UP OF THE MTS SERIES

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SALVATION CALL

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSIONS

- 1, "All of life is ministry" how does this alter your perception of every day life?
- 2, What are common obstacles that keep believers from integrating ministry in every day life and vocation, and how can these be overcome?
- 3, Share testimonies of how people are presently integrating ministry in every day life and vocation.





Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30).

Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

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