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God in the Snowstorm

By Pastor Solomon

I am sure you have prayed with your kids for snow days and have enjoyed them. It was the year 2007, I was still studying in the seminary part time and trying to find full time work as my previous assignment had ended. The immigration papers were still in process, and my continued stay in the country was uncertain. During that wintertime there were two big snowstorms through which I experienced the guiding hand of God. I was not a firm believer that the Lord could direct the affairs of His children through natural events like the weather storms. Though I had known the gospel stories in which the weather elements were under the control of the Creator, I never thought it could be experienced in a personal way. I will narrate my two experiences for our edification.

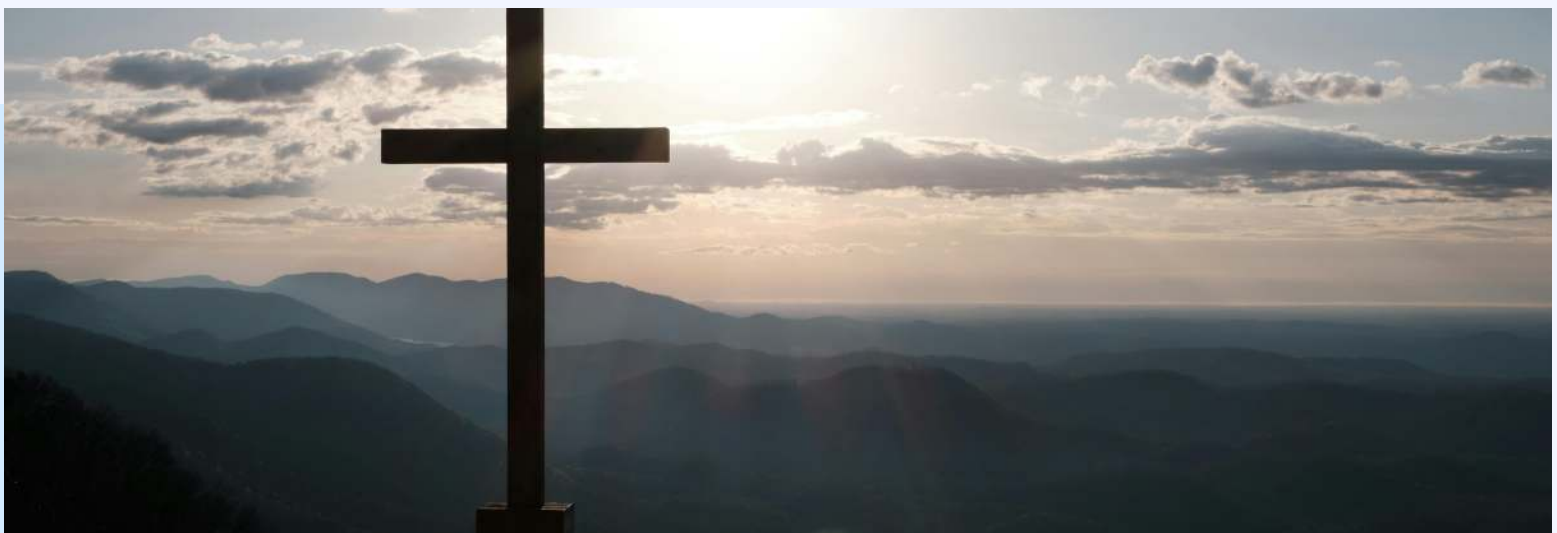
I was given an assignment in class to do a personal retreat. I had to leave my family and go to a retreat center, and it was a big deal at that time. My wife would be stuck with my three little kids, and I was not sure how she would manage without help. The day for my departure came and it started snowing. I did not want to go but my wife encouraged me. I was in two minds but still started out. I remember being on I 287 North bound and the snowstorm intensified. I was not confident driving in snowy conditions. The Lord was strengthening me to trust and go ahead while on the other hand I was wanting to return back to the family. I stopped on the shoulder of the road because of the hazardous road conditions and after debating in my mind still proceeded to the retreat center. I spent a couple of days, and it was an unforgettable experience. I experienced a reassurance of the Lord's presence and clarity of purpose for my life during that uncertain period which still sustains me to this day. Looking back now I can say with assurance that the Lord was in the snowstorm teaching me to trust, obey and depend on Him for every little thing concerning me and my family.

I was called to appear for an interview at a company in Washington DC. I was wondering whether the Lord was directing us to move. I was still at seminary in upstate NY. I needed the job to sustain the family and therefore I committed to attend the interview. The day came and there was a severe snowstorm. There was a travel ban that day as emergency was declared. I could not drive. The consulting company said the interview will be rescheduled but it never happened. Later I got a job in NJ itself. Through this experience I learned that the Lord is in control of the natural elements in ordering our personal lives. As a famous evangelist said, "The Lord not only orders our steps but also our stops."

We read in 'Psalm 148: ⁷Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, ⁸lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding.' The psalmist declares that the weather is under the control of the creator. We need to discern as to how the Lord is working in our lives through these situations.

Dear TGC family, let us bring our hearts in sincerity before the Lord and hear what the Lord is saying to us through the snowstorms.

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March Birthdays



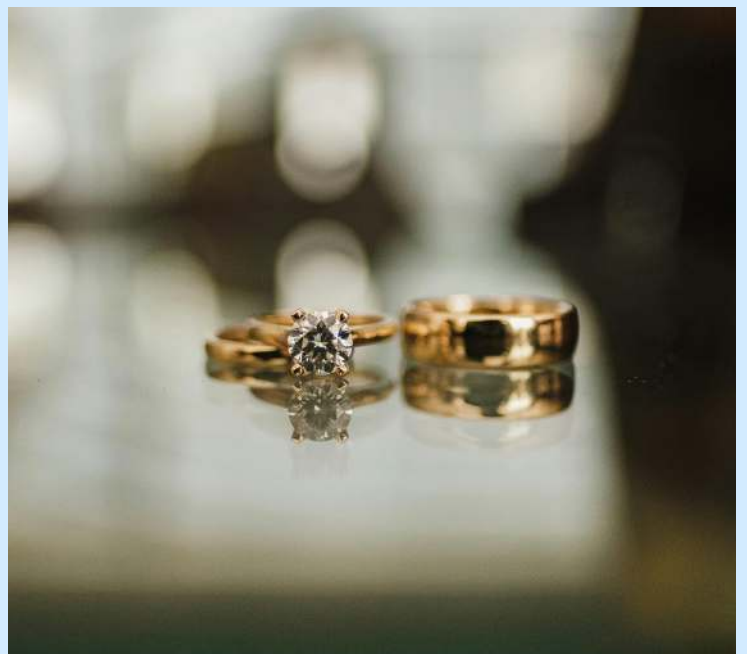
John Wesley Joseph	March 02
Daniel Sam Abraham	March 03
Nalanda Devaraj	March 04
Blezo Philip Geopher	March 05
Florence Daniel	March 05
Fiona Newton	March 07
Raj Premkumar	March 10
Win Russal	March 19
Gracia Amirtharaj	March 19
Shyamala Karthickeyan	March 19
Nancy Kingsley	March 20
Evelin Win	March 20
Leah Devaraj	March 21
Jesintha Benneaser	March 22
Jebastine Vetharaj	March 24
Soumya Nelson Mathad	March 24
Melinda Naomi Ebenezer	March 26
John Dillip	March 26
Abigail Sharon Abraham	March 28
Faustina Joshua	March 29

*"For He will command His
angels concerning you to
guard you in all your ways"*
Psalm 91:11

March Anniversaries

Joel Nishbert Joe Duraimony & Deepa Joel

March 03



2026 March

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 5 pm: • Sunday Service • Sunday School • Tamil Class	2	3	4 8 pm: • Wednesday Night Prayer	5	6 8 pm: • Bible Study	7 7 am: • First Saturday Morning Prayer 4 pm: • Lenten Prayer Meeting
8 5 pm: • Sunday Service • Sunday School • Girls Youth Group • Tamil Class • Annual General Body Meeting	9	10 7 pm: • Elders Meeting	11 8 pm: • Wednesday Night Prayer	12	13 8 pm: • Bible Study	14 11 am: • Fasting Prayer & Lenten Prayer Meeting
15 5 pm: • Sunday Service • Sunday School • Youth Group • Tamil Class	16	17	18 8 pm: • Wednesday Night Prayer	19	20 8 pm: • Bible Study	21 10 am: • CUP 4 pm: • Lenten Prayer Meeting
22 5 pm: • Sunday Service • Sunday School • Tamil Class	23	24	25 8 pm: • Wednesday Night Prayer	26	27 8 pm: • Bible Study	28 4 pm: • Lenten Prayer Meeting
29 4:45 pm: • Palm Sunday Service • Sunday School • Tamil Class 	30	31				



Upcoming Events

Lenten Prayer Meetings:

Palm Sunday:

Maundy Thursday:

Good Friday Service:

Easter Sunrise Service:

March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

March 29th @ 4:45 pm

April 2nd @ 7:30 pm

April 3rd @ 7:00 pm

April 5th @ 6:30 am