

A lush garden courtyard with a stone bridge over a pond, surrounded by tropical plants and a building in the background. The scene is filled with greenery, including palm trees, ferns, and various shrubs. A large tree trunk is visible in the center. The building in the background has several windows and an air conditioning unit.

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Isaiah 43:19 **Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert.**

Hebrews 6:1-3 (TLV) Therefore leaving the basic teaching of the Messiah, let us move on toward maturity—not laying again a **foundation of repentance from dead works and of **trust in God**, 2 of **teaching about immersions, laying on of hands, resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment**. 3 Now this we will do, if God permits**

1 Peter 2:1-2 Therefore, **laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, 2 **as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,****



“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” Then they cast lots, dividing up His clothing”



John 6:66-67 **From this time, many of His disciples left and quit walking with Him.**

67 So Yeshua said to the Twelve, “You don’t want to leave also, do you?”

(NKJV - “Do you also want to go away?”

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1. Vision Statement

1a. Making disciples at a (or for) such a time as this

1b. Israel and The Church

2. Mission Narrative

2a. Great Commission

2b. Israel and The Church (expanding on)

The Great Commission

2a.i - Rescued to be a Rescuer

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2a.ii - God’s impending Judgment

Ezekiel 33:2 “Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: **‘When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and make him their watchman,**

8 When I say to the wicked, ‘O wicked man, you shall surely die!’ and **you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand.**

Ephesians 2:8-10 For by grace **you have been saved through faith**, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 **not of works, lest anyone should boast.** 10 For we are **His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.**

(Revelation 1:5-6, Jeremiah 1:5, Psalm 139:16, Acts 1:8)

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to **those who love (Agape) God**, to those who are the called according to **His purpose.**

2 Peter 1:5-10 But also for this very reason, giving all diligence,

- add to your faith virtue,
- to virtue knowledge,
- to knowledge self-control,
- to self-control perseverance,
- to perseverance godliness,
- **to godliness brotherly kindness (Phileo),**
- **and to brotherly kindness love (Agape).**

8 For if these things are yours and **abound**, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For **he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness**, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

10 Therefore, brethren, **be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;**

Matthew 26:30-35 (TLV) After singing the Hallel (Psalm 113-118), they went out to the Mount of Olives. 31 Then Yeshua said to them, **“This night you will all fall away because of Me; for it is written,**

‘I will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’ (Zechariah 13:7)

32 But after I am raised up, I will go before you to the Galilee.”

33 **But Peter** replied to Him, **“Though all fall away because of You, I’ll never fall away.”**

34 Yeshua said to him, “Truly, I tell you, this very night, before a rooster crows, **you will deny Me three times.**”

35 **“Even if I must die with You,”** Peter says to Him, “I’ll never deny You!” **And so said all the disciples.**

John 21:15 So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, **“Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (Agape) Me more than these?”** He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love **(Phileo)** You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.”

Do you love **(Agape)** Me – Response I **Phileo** You – Tend My sheep

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John 21:18-19 Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; **but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish.**" 19 **This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken is, He said to him,**

"Follow Me."

Matthew 16:24-26 Then Yeshua said to His disciples, **“If anyone wants to follow after Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me.**

25 For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

26 **For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world but forfeits his soul?** Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

2 Corinthians 11:2 For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, **that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.**

Chaste – hagnos - venerable, sacred, pure from carnality, chaste, modest, pure from every fault, immaculate, immaculate etc

2 Corinthians 5:16-19 Therefore, from now on, **we regard no one according to the flesh**. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer.

17 Therefore, **if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.**

18 Now all things are of **God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,** 19 that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and **has committed to us the word of reconciliation.**

Matthew 11:28-29 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 **Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me**, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For **My yoke is easy and My burden is light.**”

Amos 3:3 Can two walk together, **unless they are agreed?**

Matthew 28:18-20 And Yeshua came up to them and spoke to them, saying, **“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.** 19 Go therefore and **make disciples of all nations,** immersing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Ruach ha-Kodesh, 20 **teaching them to observe all I have commanded you. And remember! I am with you always,** even to the end of the age.”

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John 15:13-15 No one has **greater love than this: that he lay down his life for his friends.** 14 You are My friends if you do what I command you. 15 **“I am no longer calling you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing. Now I have called you friends, because everything I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.**

Acts 1:8 - you shall be **witnesses** to Me in **Jerusalem**, and in all Judea and Samaria, **and to the end of the earth.**”

Witnesses - those who **after his example** have proved the strength and **genuineness of their faith in Christ by undergoing a violent death**

Acts 2:16-19 But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17 **'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God,** That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; **Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,** Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.

18 And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy.

19 **I will show wonders in heaven above And signs in the earth beneath:** Blood and fire and vapor of smoke.

Matthew 11: 25-26 At that time Yeshua said in response, “I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, that **You have hidden these things from the wise and discerning and revealed them to infants**. 26 Yes, Father, for this way was pleasing to You.

Infants – nēpios - childish, untaught, unskilled, a simple-minded person, an immature Christian (does the word “nappy” come from this word?)

1 Corinthians 1:22-23 For **Jewish people ask for signs and Greek people seek after wisdom**, 23 but we proclaim **Messiah crucified—a stumbling block to Jewish people and foolishness to Gentile people**

Acts 20:26-27 Therefore **I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men.**

27 For I have not shunned to **declare to you the whole counsel of God.**

Genesis 12:3 – I will bless **(Barak)** those who bless **(Barak)** you, And I will curse **(awra)** him who curses **(qālal)** you;

Bless – **Barak** – Our Blessing is like the Samaritan, say good things about them, defend and stand with them in their times of need. But Blessings from God are according to the riches of His glory in Messiah Yeshua.

Curse from God – **“awra”** to abhor, to detest, shake you off, come under His anger and judgment etc. Deuteronomy 28:15-68 is only a glimpse of the expression of His

Man’s curse on Israel – **qālal** - kaw-lal' - to appear trifling, be insignificant, to be lightly esteemed, abate – the word to Esther through Modecai – Esther 4:14.

John 17:20-21 **“I pray not on behalf of these only, but also for those who believe in Me through their message, 21 that they all may be one. Just as You, Father, are in Me and I am in You, so also may they be one in Us, so the world may believe that You sent Me.**

Hebrews 13:3 **Remember the prisoners as if you were fellow prisoners**, and those who are mistreated as if you also were suffering bodily.

1 John 4:17-18 In this way, **love is made perfect among us, so that we should have boldness on the Day of Judgment. For just as He is, so also are we in this world.** 18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and the **one who fears has not been made perfect in love**

Psalm 96:13 For He is coming, for **He**
is coming to judge the earth. He
shall judge the **world with**
righteousness, And the peoples
with His truth.

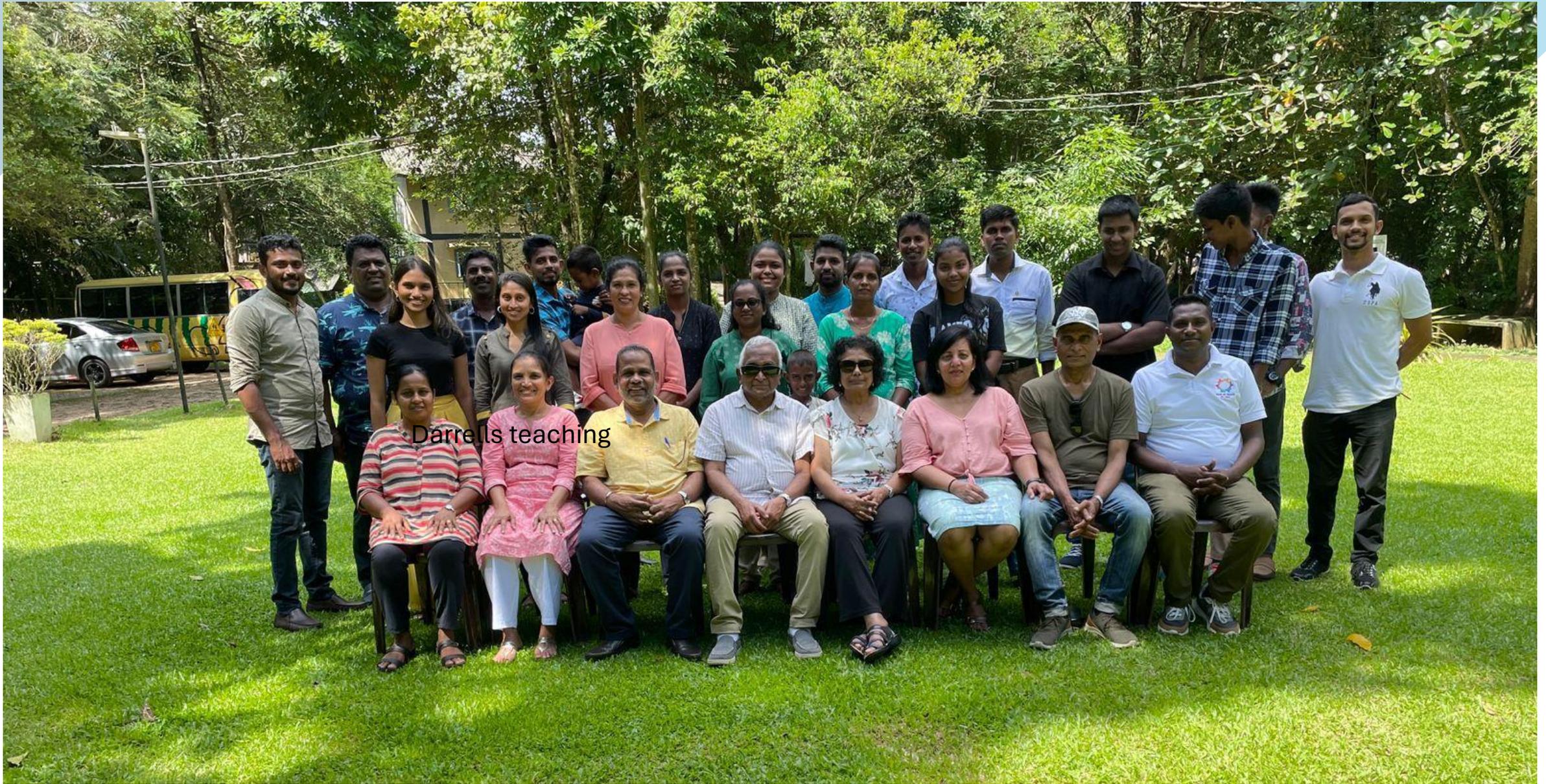
Sri Lankan Mission Report by Christine



House churches we visited

Areas marked with pink dots ●





First Day Meeting the Mission Pastors

Darrel's Teaching



**Ps Jedudasan
& family
In front of
their church**



Ps Sriyani's Church at Ganewatte

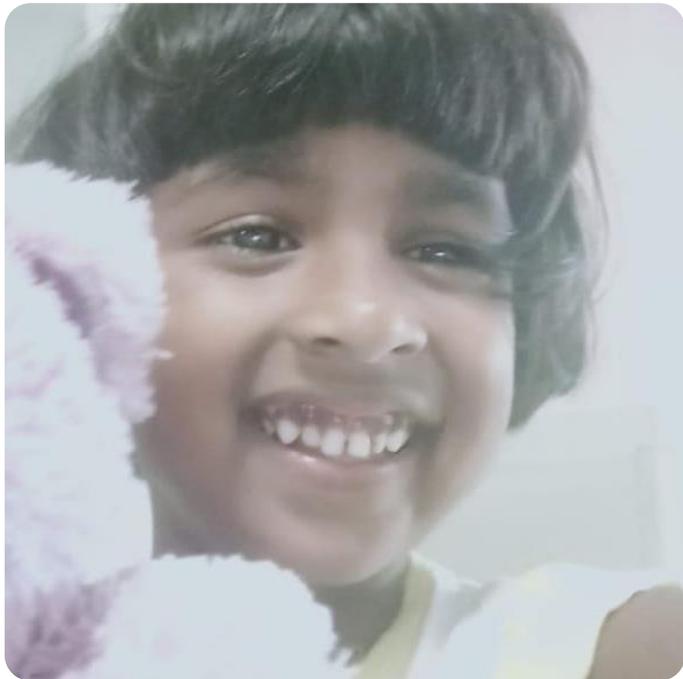


**10 people
baptised**

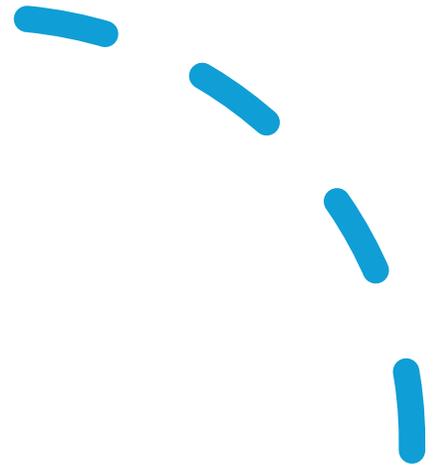


**6 children
were
dedicated**





**Some
children
who were
dedicated**





Ps Lionel & family Anuradapura



**20 people
were
baptised in
Ps Lionel's
church**

Ps Lionel the Farmer

In his paddy field



A testimony shared at Ps Sriyani's church by a woman who got baptized



Pastor Lionel's Church





**Ernest
celebrated
his birthday
one of the
house
church
meetings**



Praying during a house church meeting

Darrel & Ernest with Ps Patrick





Erin & Christine with Rosy



**Some of
the house
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*One of my
favourite
moments...
of the trip*