



Rev Asiri P Perera's induction as President of Conference, Rev Kingsley Secretary of Conference, Rev Hilton British delegate to Sri Lankan Methodist Conference.

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The picture below is the Logos ship docked at Colombo. What an inspiring witness and missionary opportunities for people from around the world and from different denominations. The missionaries were available for many programmes for many thousands of people and groups, and also outreach in Colombo. It was good to meet Tom from the UK who was serving on board as a missionary.



God is good Psalm 136 v 1

I thank God for sending me as a Mission Partner to Sri Lanka and the opportunity to be in such a beautiful country amongst beautiful hospitable people. I'm grateful for the Bible Society who provided me with a room for a couple of months on my arrival in July. In October I moved into accommodation within the grounds of the church. My cargo arrived safely with only a couple of breakages! It was nice to feel settled and have my own space.



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I began ministering in my first week as I was taking over from Rev Asiri P Perera who was inducted as President of Conference in August. It was a different experience than that of the British conference and although interesting it was also a time of getting used to the humidity and very tiring. I was pleased to meet the British representative Rev Rob Hilton from the Leeds circuit. We had the opportunity to visit the tea plantations in the hill country. We were inspired by the ministry amongst the plantation workers. The picture is taken with the Sunday school workers at an anniversary service where we were able to share with them and the local congregation.



During July the Vocational Bible School was held hosting over 250 children. The theme was the beatitudes, I led the 14-16 age group. It was inspiring to see so many children, teachers and a great programme.

In my first weeks I had to learn quickly how to dress myself in a sari, so that I was able to wear the white sari, the official clerical dress for women ministers during conference



Prayers:

Please join me in prayer for the following needs



- For wisdom how to help our asylum brothers and sisters from Pakistan, particularly the family who are in danger of being deported and in fear of their lives.
- For the many Christmas programmes, visiting the housebound singing carols and distributing 100 gifts to the homeless.
- To remember those who will be alone this Christmas, to remind them they are not forgotten and to be with them as we celebrate Immanuel, God with us.
- For vision for KMC. To seek the Lords plans for the worshipping community and how we can respond to the needs around us in the coming year.
- For my family and friends as we spend Christmas apart. Thank God for face time and the ability to connect with loved ones.
- For my Mum who will be arriving on the 5th January for two months.
- Meet the new addition to the household, Toby whose name means God is good!

Thank you for your partnership and prayers. I can't do this alone, but together we can.



The Methodist Church Sri Lanka held a silent demonstration in solidarity with children neglected and abused, especially following the tragic news of a young child of 5 raped and killed which horrified the nation. Below the All Island Women's Fellowship banner during the protest.



The last few months have been a time of orientation, getting used to the weather, food and a different culture. It's been a time of meeting the congregation and the many ministries of KMC . Also visiting the sick and housebound. It has also been a time of watching and learning and probably getting some things wrong! However I am grateful for the patience of those I have the privilege of ministering alongside. Since my arrival we have found ourselves ministering to many Pakistani refugees who have horrific stories of persecution as believers in Christ. Our Brothers and sisters worship with us, have joined a bible study and have started their own Urdu monthly service. Although this is a challenging time we thank God for his goodness and provision.

I am grateful to the young adults from the Soup Bowl, and being able to go out on the streets feeding the homeless, praying and sharing God's love with them weekly. One man who is a Hindu begged us not to go, as he thought God would go with us and he was desperate for prayer. After a time of prayer he said "God is good"! what a glorious moment with those who are hungry and thirsty for righteousness. God is indeed good.

Love Angleena