

Dear Lakeview friends in America,

Greetings from quickly-heating Chennai! Temperatures are already above 90 degrees, and we're gearing up for a hotter summer as predicted by the weathermen. (Hope they are wrong.)

Life at Lakeview has been fairly uneventful since January. The months of February and March tend to be slower since this is mid-semester time. But India is gearing up for our General Elections in April-May, so there's a buzz in the air. Please pray that elections are clean and we will get a government that is ethical, and works for the benefit of the people (instead of for the politicians themselves). Above all, that our freedoms will not be destroyed as many are fearing will happen. In all this, we pray that the followers of Christ will stand for the truth and bear witness to the glorious gospel of Jesus.

We are getting used to our new identity and name – LAKEVIEW LIFE CENTRE. It will take a few months to work out all the logistics connected to our name. We are excited about the possibilities for new avenues of ministry in Business, Counselling, and Camps, which will add value to our already-thriving academic programs. Pray that our new name will truly reflect our commitment to bring the life of Jesus into every sphere of peoples' lives today.

On a personal note: with heavy hearts, we share with you that Cathy's cancer has returned after remission of almost three years. It came as a shock with the scan at the end of January. We request your continued intercession for her as she begins a fresh round of chemo and other treatments. So far, her spirits are very positive, and we rejoice that God's Spirit sustains her even in these dark times. We are confident too, that the current treatment is working and will produce a God-empowered result.

Thank you for your consistent prayers, support, and encouragement as we all together give ourselves to live for and extend the Kingdom of God for the glory of Jesus. And advance wishes for a Glorious Easter – when God broke the bars of sin and death – through the resurrection of Jesus, our Lord.

God bless you.

Peter, Cathy and the family at LAKEVIEW LIFE CENTRE

When "Good-bye" is not "Good-bye"

Good friends like good people are hard to find.

Dr. Mark Johnson (more affectionately known to us as Mark) was more than just a good friend.

From the get go (more than 40 years ago) he prayed for us, supported us and encouraged us with all he had. We experienced his support and we (personally as well as professionally) are evidence of his encouragement.

God used Mark to open our eyes to see the great potential in Lakeview and it's because of this "enlightenment" that Lakeview stands tall on her own property today training leaders and transforming communities in Chennai, throughout India and beyond!

Thank you, Mark! Yes, what a Friend we have in Jesus...but Mark, you stand as a close second!

What rejoicing there will be when we meet again...but until then our hearts and prayers go out to Mark's dear widow Marcia and their beloved family. May our God of all comfort be yours to console you through this difficult time.

-Peter and Cathy and the Lakeview Family

DAVID DAUM MEMORIAL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Lakeview Bible College and Seminary conducted the David Daum Memorial Inter-College Football Tournament on February 10th, 2024. Lakeview strongly believes that tournaments such as these are not only critical to students' mental and physical wellbeing, but also serve as an opportunity to share the love of Christ through sports and strengthen the bond between institutions. The Community Care Department of Lakeview organized and supervised the tournament.

Seven teams from different parts of Chennai participated in the tournament. The teams were divided into two groups. The tournament began with a match between the home team and the team from Hindustan Bible Institute. Mr. John Marshal, a teaching faculty at Lakeview, addressed the gathering before the opening game. After a closely fought league phase, Lakeview and NBH Keevalur played the much-awaited finals. In that thriller, Lakeview defeated their opponents, by virtue of a penalty shoot-out, 4-3. The match was quite intense, exhilarating, and full of excitement and curiosity. Both the teams were equally good and showed excellent skill and performance. The tournament was played in the right spirit throughout.

The prize distribution ceremony for the tournament was held on the same day after the enthralling finals. All the prizes were handed over to the players by the Lakeview faculty. The winner's trophy was handed over to Manbha, the captain of Lakeview team, by Mr. Leonard Rex and medals were given to the winners by Mrs. Margreenda, while the runner's up medals were given to the players from NBH Keevalur by Mr. Joseph Anand. The award for the "Best player of the tournament" was handed over to Surendra from NBH Keevalur by Mr. John Marshal. The day was indeed very special as Lakeview witnessed yet another day of God's favour and blessing through the success of the David Daum Memorial Inter-College Football Tournament.

- John Marshal

