

During the period from August 2025 onwards, 3 members were inducted, 8 child baptism were conducted, 2 marriages were solemnized and 4 burials were conducted. Our Total full members as on date is 602 and consists of 185 families.

**Badlapur Prayer Centre** - Every Sunday there are nearly 20 people attending worship service from 5.00 to 7.00 PM. Pastors visit Badlapur prayer centre on almost all Sundays alongwith 4 elders.

**Whole Night Prayers** are held every fourth Saturday in which many families, pastorate committee members and youths are present. We pray for the need of each and every family and also for the congregation, nation etc.

**Christmas** - We visit each and every house of our Members spreading the gospel of good news of birth of Jesus for 7 days prior to Christmas. Christmas celebration was held on 27th of December 2025 wherein all wings actively participated and performed depicting the Birth of Jesus Skits, performed action songs, had Christmas Quiz and had a fellowship dinner for whole congregation.

**Lent Worship** - We gather at Church on every Wednesday & Friday from 8.00 to 9.00 PM during the lent season to worship our Lord and enabling spiritual nourishment on leading our life more closure to our Lord.

**Family Retreat** - Was arranged on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026 wherein nearly 380 members participated lead by Evangelism Committee. Speaker for the occasion was Rev.Samuel Joglekar, DS of Pune District.

Pastoral care is being regularly provided through home visits which is upto the mark. Sick people are visited at residence and hospitals and prayed for. Most of the members visit Parsonage for special prayers and also are being counselled for the various concern in their family members/business/workplace etc.

The Pastorate Committee meets consistently on the second Sunday of each month and are actively involved in the service of God. All are putting their best efforts with total dedication, commitment and unity.

All committees and church organizations are working together in unity and with one heart, serving God's people to help them grow spiritually and become a blessing to others.

Yours in Christ

Rev.E.Devavaram, Pastor in Charge



On the eve of 33rd Anniversary of our Church

**GOSPEL MEETINGS**  
will be held

From: Fri to Sun i.e. 1st to 3rd May 2026 : 6.30 PM to 9.30 PM

Theme : "You are the Temple of God", I Corin.3:16-18

Speaker : Rev.Dr.Pathipati Victor Paul, CSI Karimnagar Diocese, Telangana

Sangha Deepti Sponsored by Mrs. & Mr.Sunnypaul N. Jengeri

## ఇతర కార్యక్రమములు

- ⇒ 1 May 26 - FRI - 11.30 PM - House Dedication Prayer - Mr.Suresh H Bhandari at Flat No.302, Bldg No.2, Patel Eternity, Ambarnath(West)
- ⇒ 5 May 26 - TUE - 7.30 PM - Memorial Service of Late Mr.Katalappa Pullak at their residence at H.No.2783, Neelam Nagar, Navre Park, Ambarnath(West)
- ⇒ 6 May 26 - WED - 4.30 AM - Marriage of Samuel(S/o.Mrs.Ruth & Mr.Peter J Gaddam with Lavanya (D/o.Mrs.Sujatha & Mr.Sudhakar Bhandaru at our Church.
- ⇒ 7 May 26 - TUE - 7.30 PM - Memorial Service of Late Mr.Raju Bonal at their residence at Flat No.B-1106, Walekar Homes, 11th Floor, KamkarWadi, Ambarnath(West)



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Pastor-in-Charge - Rev.Devavaram Endabetla

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దేవుని ప్రియ సంఘమా! పూనారుత్థనుడైన క్రీస్తు వారి పుణ్యనామములో అందరికి శుభములు. ఇంతవరకు సంఘములో జరిగిన అన్ని ఆత్మీయ దైవిక కార్యక్రమాన్నింటిలో దేవుడు తోడుగా ఉండి నడిపించినందుకు ఆయనకు మనందరము వందనస్థులము. ఈ సంవత్సరము మన సంఘ ఆవిర్భావ 33వ వారికోత్సవము ఈ నెల 1, 2, మరియు 3వ తేదీలలో జరుపుకోనుటకు దేవుడు మనకిచ్చిన అవకాశమును బట్టి ఆయనకు స్తోత్రములు. ఈ సంఘ స్థాపనలో పాల్గొన్న పెద్దలకు సంఘముతరపున వందనములు చెల్లిస్తున్నాను. 33 సంవత్సరాలలో ఈ సంఘమును దైవికముగ ముందుకు నడిపించిన దైవజనులకు మా సంఘమంతయు ఋణపడి యున్నది. దేవుడు వారి కుటుంబాలను ఆశీర్వాదించునుగాక. కొన్ని కుటుంబాలతో ప్రారంభమైన ఈ సంఘము అంచలంచలుగా ఎదిగి నేడు సుమారు 185 కుటుంబాలతో గొప్ప సంఘముగా వర్ధిల్లి ఆత్మీయంగా ఆర్థికంగా యెదుగుటకు దేవుడు సాహాయము చేస్తునందుకు ఆయనకు వందనములు. ఈ సందర్భముగా ఈ సంఘ సభ్యులలో కొందరు ప్రభులో నిద్రించి యున్నారు. కాబట్టి వారిని వారి సేవలను కూడా జ్ఞాపకం చేసుకోవటం ఆశీర్వాదకరము.

రాబోవు కాలంలో పెరుగుచున్న సభ్యుల సంఖ్యను దృష్టించి దేవాలయం అందరికి ఆరాదించుకొనే వెసలుబాటు కల్పించుటకు దేవాలయము పుణ:నిర్మాణము కొరకు ఐదు సంఘముల పెద్దలు ఆలోచన ఫలభరితం కావాలని అందరు ప్రార్థించి సహకరించినవలసిందిగా కోరచున్నాను.

దేవుడు అందరికి పునరుజ్జాన శక్తిని దయచేయాలని కోరకుంటున్నాను. అందరికి దీవెనలు కలుగును గాక !

రెవ. దేవవరం ఎండబెట్ల,

సంఘకాపరి

### BRIEF ON ACTIVITIES OF OUR CHURCH DURING CONFERENCE YEAR 2025-26

**Sunday School** with 90 students are divided into five classes and each class headed by a Teacher and Superintendent. Exams, Sports were held for Sunday School Children. They actively participated in the Talent Day/Christmas Celebration.

**MYF** President is an active source for congregation and is motivating youth to attend the Church programmes. Our MYF visited Bandra fair to distribute tracts, conducted fasting prayer on 14.8.2025, held Blood Donation drive on 1.2.2026. Youth were actively involved in Carols, Christmas programmes

**WSCS** are actively meeting on every Friday and are conducting worship service. They visit sick people and pray for them, go for condolences meeting and also visit members house during marriages etc. WSCS Conducted one day internal retreat on 22nd November 2025. WSCS are actively participating in all church programmes.

**Methodist Men** even though are not meeting regularly but are actively involved in all Church activities including mid-week prayers, Christmas programmes etc. Methodist Men & Laity visited Central Hospital on 27.10.2025 and distributed nearly 300 packets consisting of fruits, biscuit, one water bottle and one handkerchief to Patients.

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# Birthday wishes

- |                                |                              |                                 |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 Joseph Yuvraj Bhandari       | 10 Naresh L. Yellampalli     | 21 Mallesh Chandrappa Y.        |
| 1 Clarisa Johnson Ambatipururi | 10 Kavita Raju Kaurampalli   | 21 Christina Adam Sandhe        |
| 1 Elizabeth Bhaskar Gadde      | 11 Stephen Paul Natakari     | 22 Nathaniel Sayanna Methere    |
| 2 Sukumar Shanthaiah Laddi     | 11 Joyce James Korna         | 24 Sunny Paul Nathaniel Jengeri |
| 2 David Elisha Papanola        | 11 Susheela P. Chandancode   | 25 Mohit Benjamin Mattala       |
| 2 Elisha John Sandhe           | 14 Rani Sampat Puleloo       | 25 Anand Samadhan Gaddam        |
| 2 Lewis Ashnal                 | 14 Ezlyn Yohan Ashade        | 26 John Daniel Gaddam           |
| 3 Diana Shantraj Ashade        | 15 Margaret Daniel Methare   | 26 Samson David Seemal          |
| 5 Ruth Joseph Ashade           | 15 Mary David Bugulu         | 27 Susheela Lukappa Methere     |
| 6 Samson Samuel Gaddam         | 15 Prabhakar B. Kalgudi      | 27 Michael Yacob Ashade         |
| 6 Aashiq A.Dadyapogue          | 16 Prakash Timothy Ashade    | 28 Rakesh Anand Bonal           |
| 7 Shastri Purushotham Sagar    | 17 Yuvraj Bhandari           | 28 Jordan Joseph Papanolla      |
| 7 Caroline John Gaddam         | 15 Lukas Samuel Ashade       | 29 Jyothi Prabhakar Kalguddi    |
| 7 Joel Sampath Puleloo         | 20 Joy Devputra Gaddam       | 29 Shiloh David Ashade          |
| 8 Y. Oliva Purushotham         | 20 Mariamma Joseph Sandhe    | 30 Shalom Sukumar Laddi         |
| 9 Ambatipururi Prasad Rao      | 20 Monica Emmanuel Papanolla |                                 |
| 9 Anand Raikot                 | 20 Samuel Rajappa Gaddam     |                                 |

## Wedding ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Prabhudas Anand Jangam & Salomi Prabhudas Jangam
- 1 Solomon Anand Jangam & Susheela Solomon Jangam
- 3 Anand Samadhan Gaddam & Prema Anand Gaddam
- 6 Jairaj John Sankati & Manoja Jairaj Sankati
- 7 Mallesh Sarojan Kansan & Gracy Mallesh Kansan
- 8 Brian Johnson Bekkam & Achshah Brian Bekkam
- 9 Samson Samuel Gaddam & Akshaya Samson Gaddam
- 10 Prabhakar Balappa Kalgudi & Annamma P. Kalgudi
- 10 Rohan Anand Gaddam & Sneha Rohan Gaddam
- 11 Saurav H Dadyapogue & Radha Saurav
- 12 Ravindra Samson Nindi & Preeti Ravindra Nindi
- 13 Anand Kaleb Ashade & Prescilla Anand Ashade
- 15 Raju Premanand Konkall & Vasantha Raju Konkall
- 15 Clement Jeevarathnam Rode & Merlin Clement Rode
- 16 Vidyasagar P Sagar & Ruth Vidya Sagar
- 16 Samuel Rajappa Gaddam & Gracy Samuel Gaddam
- 17 David Anand Jangam & Mary David Jangam
- 18 Benjamin Devdas Mattala & Suvarna Benjamin Mattala
- 19 Kanthraj Anand Jangam & Mariamma K. Jangam
- 19 Ashok Anandam Lambadi & Shobha Ashok Lambadi
- 19 Sunny Paul Jengeri & Rita Sunny Paul
- 19 Anand D Mehre & Mrs.Aruna Anand Mehre
- 21 Yesudas Moses Nayakanti & Kheziah Y. Nayakanti
- 21 Manish Sontakey & Joymercy Sontakey
- 22 Byramkonda Raju & Susheela Raju
- 22 Adam David Sandhe & Rita Adam Sandhe
- 23 Nathaniel S Mehre & Nayomi Mehre
- 23 Suman Shanthaiah Laddi & Eliya Suman Laddi
- 24 David Nathaniel Bugulu & Mary David Bugulu
- 24 Joseph Samuel Talari & Pushpa Joseph Talari

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- పల్లవి: ప్రీతిగల దేవుడా - సొంతములను చేతుము రాత్రియందు మాకు మంచి నిద్రింపిండుకు
1. ఉదయమున లేచి - నీ - పాదములకు మ్రొక్కెదనీ (2) - సదముగా మాతోడనుండు - సాయంకాలం వరకును
  2. తల్లి రొమ్మునందున - పిల్ల లీతి మమ్మును (2) - చల్లగా కాపాడినావు - తెల్లవారు వరకును
  3. మేము చేయు పనులలో - స్వామి మాతో నుండును(2) - క్షేమమైన మార్గమున - స్వామి మమ్ము నడుపుము
- ప్రితిగాలా దేవుడా - స్తోత్రములను చేతుము రాత్రియందు మాకు మంచి నిద్రింపిండుకు
1. ఉదయమున లేచి - ని - పాదములకు మ్రొక్కెదన(2) - సదముగా మాతోడనుండు - సాయంకాలం వరకును
  2. తల్లి రొమ్మునందున - పిల్ల లీతి మమ్మును(2) - చల్లగా కాపాడినావు - తెల్లవారు వరకును
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# ఈ నెల సంఘ కార్యక్రమములు

	03.05.2026(33rd Anniversary)	10.05.2026(Mother's Day)
ద్యానాంశం	ప్రేమతో క్రీస్తుతో నడుచుట Walk with Christ in Passionate Love	హన్నా - సమూయేలు Hannah - Samuel
ఉత్తర ప్రతుత్తారము	కిర్లను Psalms 63:1-11	కిర్లను Psalms 110:1-7
వేదపాఠం చదువువారు	ఎఫేసీయులకు 3:14-21 - Mr.David S Ashade Ephesians 3:14-21	1 సమూయేలు 1:20-28 - Mrs.Jemima P Ashade 1 Samuel 1:20-28 - Mrs.Shobha Joy Gaddam
విజ్ఞాపన ప్రార్థన	Mr.B.Raju	Mrs.Salomi Prabhu Jangam
ప్రసంగీకులు	Rev.Dr.P. Victor Paul, CSI, KNR	సంఘకాపలి
Ushers	Mrs. & Mr.Lukappa Jaipal Mehre Mrs. & Mr.Ravi Seemal	Mrs. Saroja Katalappa Pullak Mrs. Swaroppa Pandkone
	పరిశుద్ధ సమభాక్తము Holy Communion	Pastorate Committee Meeting
	<b>17.05.2026</b>	<b>24.05.2026</b>
ద్యానాంశం	తిమోతికి పాలు సందేశం Pauls Teaching to Timothy	పెంతెకోస్తు Pentacost
ఉత్తర ప్రతుత్తారము	కిర్లను Psalms 143:1-12	కిర్లను Psalms 29:1-11
వేదపాఠం చదువువారు	II తిమోతి 4:1-8 - Mrs.Vinita Peter Sanjana II Timothy 4:1-8 - Mr.Samson Samuel Gaddam	అ.కార్యములు 2:1-13 - Mr.Nathaniel S Mehre Acts 2:1-13 - Ms.Ruth Samadhan Gaddam
విజ్ఞాపన ప్రార్థన	Mr.Philip Chandancot	Mr.Joseph Sanjana
ప్రసంగీకులు	సంఘకాపలి	సంఘకాపలి
Ushers	Mrs. & Mr.Sunny Paul Nathaniel Jengeri	Mrs. & Mr.Prabhakar B. Kalgudi
	<b>31.05.2026</b>	<b>30.05.2026</b>
ద్యానాంశం	దైవిక సహవాసము Divine Communion	Whole Night Prayer from 10.30 PM to 4.00 AM - Lead by Pastor
ఉత్తర ప్రతుత్తారము	కిర్లను Psalms 33:1-15	
వేదపాఠం చదువువారు	పరి.యోహాను 3:8-16 - Mrs.Rani David Papanolla St.John 3:8-16 - Mr.Prakash Talari	
విజ్ఞాపన ప్రార్థన	Mrs.Sarah Parera	
ప్రసంగీకులు	సంఘకాపలి	
Ushers	Mrs.Marthamma Y Ashade Mrs.Elizabeth Bhaskar Gadde	

## Badlapur Worship Centre(From 5.00 PM onwards)

- 10.05.2026 - Pastor, Yeshep Ashade, Johnson Lambadi, Param Jangam
- 17.05.2026 - Pastor, Solomon Ashade, David Ashade, Ajay Jella
- 24.05.2026 - Pastor, Joy Gaddam, James Korna, Philip Chandankot
- 31.05.2026 - Pastor, John Gaddam, Prakash Ashade, Moses Gaddam

## Mid-Week Prayer(Wednesday - From 8.00 to 9.00 PM)

- 13-05-2026 - Mr.Yovail Prakash Tupodollu, Kamalakar Nagar
- 20-05-2026 - Mr.Thomas Ashade, Kamalakar Nagar
- 27-05-2026 - Mr.Jairaj John Sankatti, Kamalakar Nagar

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**2. Whole Night Prayers:** Held from 10:30 PM to 4:00 AM on the last Saturday of every month.

### **Prominent Wings of the Church**

The following wings actively participate and execute tasks entrusted by the Pastorate Committee:

Methodist Men – Lay Activities - WSCS – Women’s Society of Christian Service - MYF – Methodist Youth Fellowship

### **Other Religious & Social Activities**

1. The Church bears the burial charges of members.
2. Extends financial support to old age homes and orphanages.
3. Widows of the church are honoured on Christmas Eve by distributing sarees.
4. Scholarships are given to students who pass their respective exams.
5. Mothers, Fathers, and Teachers are honoured with gifts on their special days.
6. Members are felicitated and honoured on their retirement or on attaining 60 years of age.
7. The Church very often conducts Family Retreats for spiritual renewal.
8. Extends medical help to members suffering from severe diseases.

**33rd Church Anniversary** This year our church is celebrating the 33rd Church Anniversary by holding Revival Meetings from 1st May, 2026 to 3rd May, 2026.

### **Thanksgiving**

Last but not least, we are greatly thankful to God for sustaining us for the last 33 glorious and blessed years. As we step into the 34th year of our church journey, we look upon our Lord Jesus Christ for His unfailing grace and blessings.

**To God be all the glory, honour, and praise.**

Compiled by: **Mr. Devputra D. Gaddam**

Ambarnath

Date: 01/05/2026

## **METHODIST TELUGU CHURCH, AMBARNATH (HISTORY)**

Our roots go back to the nineteen fifties. Kannada and Telugu speaking believers, many from border areas, came together in love and formed one congregation – the **Kannada-Telugu Methodist Church**, Ambarnath. For over 40 years, till 1st May 1993, we worshiped and served the Lord together as one family.

As the Telugu speaking congregation grew, the need for worship in our mother tongue became stronger. A group of committed elders, with prayer and unity, took the burden before God and the Church authorities.

We remember with gratitude the elders who played a vital role:

**Bro. Devputra Gaddam, Late Bro. B.J. Timothy, Bro. A. Prasad Rao, Late Bro. B. Daniel, Bro. J.B. Nathaniel, Bro. B. Raju, Late Bro. John Paul, Late Bro. M.A. Devadas, Late Bro. J.A. Chandrashekhar, Late Bro. N. Paul, Bro. K.P. Raju, Late Bro. G.N. Lazarus, Late Bro. M. Daniel, and Late Bro. Timothy Benjamin.** With the co-operation of all Telugu speaking believers, they pursued this vision faithfully.

God honoured their efforts. **Late Bishop Stanley E. Downes**, then Presiding Bishop of Bombay Episcopal Area, was pleased to grant permission vide letter **No. BY/21/BN/710/93 dated 05/03/1993** to constitute a separate Pastorate Conference for the Telugu speaking believers and to hold worship services in Telugu separately.

Thus, by God’s grace, Methodist Telugu Church, Ambarnath **was established, and our first separate worship service in Telugu was held on 2nd May, 1993** – a new chapter in our spiritual journey.

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We are deeply indebted to our Lord Jesus Christ for blessing us with a separate Telugu Church. We are also grateful to:

1. **Late Bishop Stanley E. Downes**, Presiding Bishop, Bombay Episcopal Area
2. **Late Rev. J.B. Challa**, then District Superintendent, Thane District
3. **Rev. B. Manickyappa**, Pastor of the Kannada Methodist Church, Ambarnath at that time, for his gracious support
4. **Rev. Dr. Y.D. Purushottam**, the first appointed pastor of Methodist Telugu Church, Ambarnath

The Methodist Telugu Church was formally organised and installed as a separate Pastorate Conference and Pastorate Committee by **Late Rev. J.B. Challa** on **12th September, 1993**.

Our identity was further affirmed when the **XIII Session of the Bombay Regional Conference**, held at Lonavala from **10-13 March 1994**, recognised the Pastorate of Methodist Telugu Church, Ambarnath. A **Certificate of Organisation dated 12/03/1994** was awarded at the hands of **Late Bishop Stanley E. Downes** and was received by **Bro. Devputra Gaddam** on behalf of the church.

That moment was indeed a great privilege, honour, and proud moment for the entire congregation.

### **Pastoral Leadership & Growth**

Thereafter, there was no turning back. By God's grace, the congregation grew spiritually, numerically, and financially under the able leadership of dedicated pastors:

1. **Rev. Dr. Y.D. Purushottam (02/05/1993 – 28/02/1995)** – First pastor who laid the strong foundation. Worship: 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM.
2. **Rev. S. Daniel (01/03/1995 – 06/2007)** – Started Sanga Deepti bulletin; changed worship to 6:30 AM – 8:00 AM; led Gospel tour to Hindupur, A.P. in 2002; 12 years of growth.

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3. **Rev. E. Devavaram (24/06/2007 – 2015)** – Printed Andhra Christava Keerthanalu in English script for youth; started Badlapur Worship Centre for labourers; 8 years of manifold development.
4. **Rev. S. Daniel (2015 – 2023, Second Term)** – All wings worked actively; 8 years of fruitful ministry.
5. **Rev. Samson Sagar (2023 – 2024)** – Led successfully for 1 year 6 months.
6. **Rev. David Battina (15.01.2023 – 1.8.2026)** – Introduced screen display & online services; advanced worship to 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM; 2 years of spiritual nourishment.
7. **Rev. E.Devavaram (From 1.8.2026 – Present, Second Term)** – Under his leadership, the church continues to develop manifold with all wings actively participating.

### **Extension Programme**

Two flats were purchased at Asta Vinayak Complex, Badlapur-East and converted into Badlapur Worship Centre. The centre was dedicated at the hands of Hon'ble **Bishop Dr. Anilkumar Servand, Bishop of Mumbai Episcopal Area**, on **10th May, 2018**.

### **Theological Studies**

Candidates from our church were recommended for theological studies at Jabalpur. Today, by God's grace, they are fully ordained pastors serving in the Methodist Church of Mumbai Regional Conference namely Rev.Raju A. Jangam and Rev.Francis Bala Daniel.

### **Missionary Support**

At present, the church is prayerfully and financially supporting 3 Missionaries in the mission field.

### **Spiritual Activities**

1. **Revival Meetings:** Since 1998, the church has continuously organised Revival Meetings during Church Anniversary in May. Eminent speakers from A.P. and Telangana are invited. Believers from various Telugu Churches in Ambarnath and surrounding areas including Mumbai attend and receive spiritual manna.

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