

Biography



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I was fortunate to be one of the three women who were ordained into priesthood by the Rt. Rev. L.V. Azariah, Bishop in Royalaseema on 17.07.1983. In 1984, I was working as a Presbyter in Nandikotkur. The fields in the area were made ready for cultivation. Unfortunately, there were no rains. People of all religions prayed for rain but to no effect. The village elders approached the Christian elders to pray to Jesus for rain. They came to me and I told them that it is not good to test the Lord. But the Christian elders went on requesting me and I had to yield. All our Christians fasted on that day. Even the cattle were starved. Then we went to the top of a nearby hill and went on praising and praying to the Lord, and we went back home with great belief. That night there was a heavy rain and all the fields were ready for cultivation. Praise to the Lord.

There is a women's Centre called "Vishranthi Nilyam" in Bangalore. The Vishranthi Nilyam was in deep debts and was about to be closed. Then I was appointed as the Director. I encouraged the Employees and made them work hard. I gave a bonus to the workers for their hard work. I was the Director for the Vishranthi Nilyam for five years. During that time all the debts were cleared. Nearly Rs. 10 Million were spent on the development of the Vishranthi Nilyam and finally when I left there was Rs. 35,00,00,000 in the fixed deposits of Vishranthi Nilyam. God helped me to keep the Vishranthi Nilyam running with profits.

God gave me an opportunity to do my advanced theological studies at Berkely California, USA (1993 – 1995) with the help of the World Christian Council of Churches and the support of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. Then I contested for the Bishopric election in the CSI Nandyal Diocese, out of the 11 persons contesting I was the only woman. The Lord gave the word, "This is what the Lord says to you, do not be afraid or discouraged because of the vast army, for the battle is not yours but God's". (2 Chronicles 20: 15-17). By God's grace, I was elected as Bishop. When I became the Bishop, the financial condition of the Diocese was not good. During my tenure as Bishop the financial condition of the Diocese has improved a lot and now this is a surplus Diocese. Thanks to the Lord. The Holy Cross Girls High School was established in the year 1916. We had to celebrate the Centenary of the school in 2016. I was the Bishop of Nandyal and I attended the celebrations. The sky was very cloudy and it was raining everywhere in Nandyal. It may not be possible to have the celebrations if it rains in the Holy Cross School compound. The whole school, including me, prayed to the Lord to stop the rain until the celebrations were over. Thanks to the Lord. It was raining everywhere in Nandyal but not in the Holy Cross compound. The Centenary Celebrations went on well.

"More things are wrought by prayer than the world dreams of" I am very thank full to the World Congress – 2019 for giving me a chance to take part in the conference. For women are getting encouraged, empowered and enriched. Their minds recollect, renew and recapture their experiences from past to future. Our experiences certainly will lead hopefully to encourage other women to take up challenges boldly to achieve aims and objectives of life.