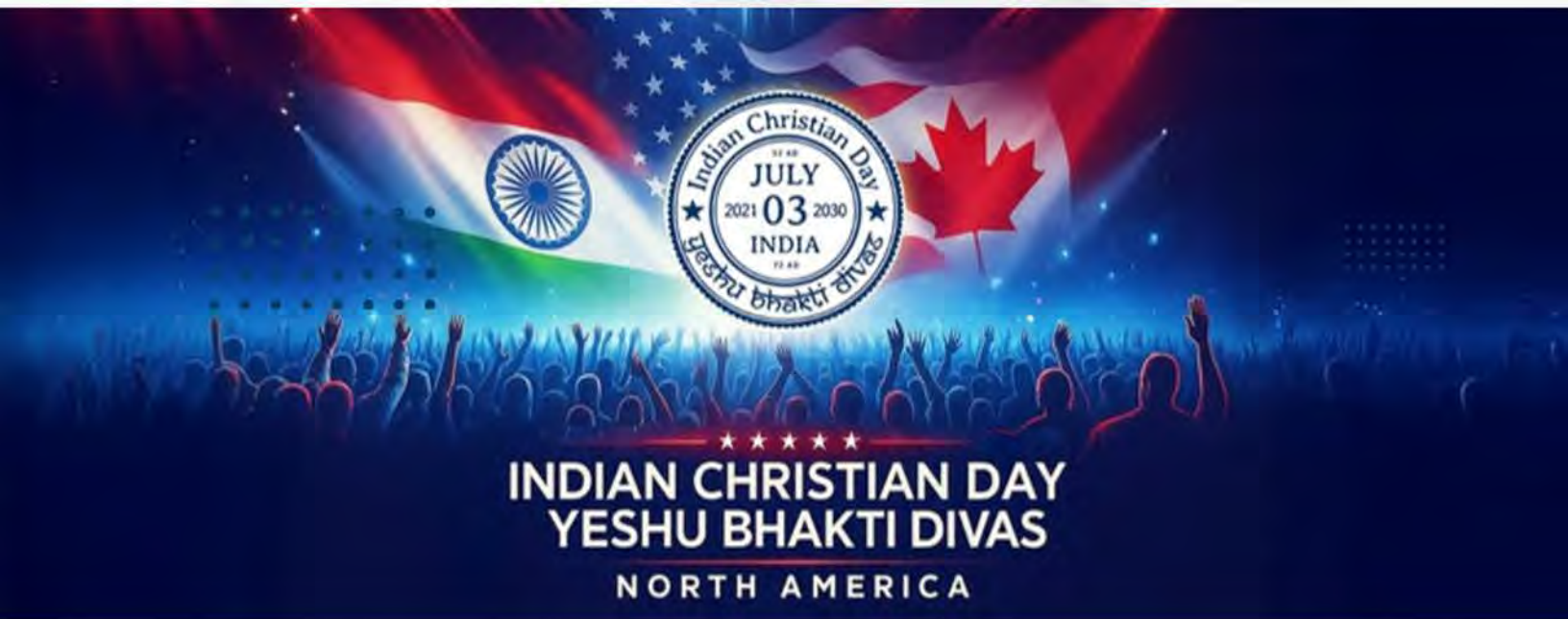




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2025 Newsletter | ICD/YBD North America

14 locations • 4,000+ participants • 150+ churches



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2025: A Year of Unprecedented Unity and Growth:

The ICD/YBD Movement has witnessed remarkable growth in North America, from the first celebration in New York in 2022 to 14 locations in 2025. Across the United States, Indian Christians from different denominations, languages, and backgrounds came together to celebrate Lord Jesus Christ and His love for India.

Over 4,000 people participated in celebrations that brought together more than 150 churches from various denominations to celebrate the history, legacy, and heritage of Indian followers of Lord Jesus Christ. The celebrations featured rich cultural programs with songs and dances in various Indian languages, historical presentations about India's Christian heritage dating back to St. Thomas in 52 AD.



Growing Recognition and Official Support

The ICD/YBD Movement has received official recognition since its early years, including proclamations from state officials in Tennessee, California, and Georgia, as well as greetings from the Premier of Alberta, Canada.

In 2025, Congressman Sam Liccardo honored the Silicon Valley celebration with a commendation. State officials issued proclamations in Atlanta. A State Representative from New Hampshire attended the Boston event and expressed interest in issuing a state proclamation for the entire state.



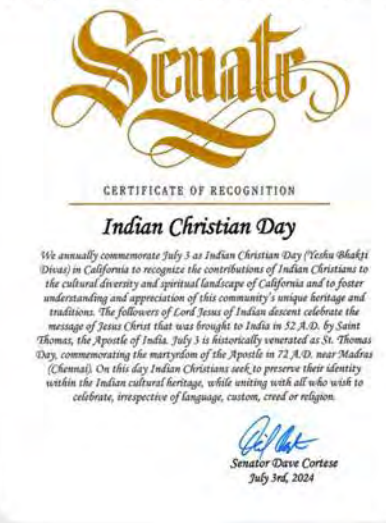


RECOGNITIONS



Georgia Declaration

STATE OF CALIFORNIA



California Recognition



Alberta Premier



Tennessee Declaration



Mayor Proclamation



Georgia Governor





ATLANTA, GA



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Bala Appikatla, John Gunja, Hemanth Kanakam, Jayakar Neela, Luke Pedapalli, Gangadharam Pidugu, Victor Immanuel Sathenapalli, Raju Tadigiri and John Seeli



Key Quotes

"ICD is the great opportunity to bring all Indian Christians together"

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date: July 12, 2025
Total Attendance: 600
Number of Churches: 14

Event Coordinators:
Gangadharam Pidugu,
Bala Appikatla & Luke Pedapalli

SPECIAL GUESTS

Senator Shawn Still
House Representatives:
Carter Barret & Sandy Donatucci



BOSTON, MA



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Stevens V, David N, Ernest G
Abraham G, Babu Rao R
Matthew T, Kenny G
John Datti, Charles R
Rajesh J, Raju T
John A, Hemanth K
Noel G, Dr.Victor
Raja James, Sudhir T
Paul M, Roselin Raja, Madhuri D
Suhasini T, Anne S
Shannon S, Mary Karuna Javaji



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date : July 12, 2025
Total Attendance: 300
Number of Churches: 20

Event Coordinators:
David Nakka, Sam Beera

SPECIAL GUESTS

Prof Chandra Mallampalli,
NH Rep Manoj Chaurasia





CHICAGO, IL



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Sam George, Cecil Joseph, Rakesh Korati, Suman Nalamala, Deena Pasumarthi, Emmanuel Pasumarthi, Joshua Pasumarthi, Raju Pasumarthi, Thomas Polepaka, Keerthi Ravori and Pr. Sai



“Sacrificial services rendered by Indian Christian educational institutions toward the upliftment of the poor and marginalized in India.” Bishop Joy Alapatt (Syro Malabar Church)

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Date Of Event: July 26, 2025

Total Attendance: 250

Number of Churches: 20

Event Coordinators:

Sam George, Cecil Joseph, Raju Pasumarthi, Thomas Polepaka, Keerthi Ravori and Pr. Sai

SPECIAL GUESTS

Bishop Joy Alapatt (Syro Malabar Church)
Smt. Lima Mathew, Deputy Consul General of India (Chicago)
Rev. Saleem Sultan



DALLAS, TX



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Satya Yellampalli, JP Yellampalli, Kiran & Sarah Damalla, John & Mounika Easton, Sandeep & Priya Ravi, Arise and Shine Fellowship Family



“Thanks for bringing the leaders from various Indian churches together”

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date : August 2, 2025

Total Attendance: 150

Number of Churches: 15

Event Coordinators:

Pr. Samuel Matthew, John JP Yellampalli, Paul Gurrapu





DENVER, CO



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Salome Chandra, Vijaya Prakash Govada, Jency Jacob, Amruth Janu, Latha Nair, Pr. Sam Royappa, Japastin Selvaraj, Sam Thomas, Miriyala Victor and Benny Varghese



"We learned the truth through missionaries, who paved the way for us. But the mission continues. We must keep it going. Let's stand together, work in unity, and make a difference in India."

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Date Of Event: August 9, 2025
Total Attendance: 400
Number of Churches: 21

Coordinators
Sam Thomas, Rev. Fr. Mefin Francis

SPECIAL GUESTS

Aby Jacob (Philosopher, Apologist, & Author)



NEW YORK, NY



Pioneer Ambassadors

George Abraham, Raju Abraham, Thankamma Abraham, Pr. George Chacko, Jimmy Christian, Pr. Jatinder Gill, Koshy George, Usha George, Pr. Wilson Jose, John Joseph, Joshua Jayasingh, Thomas T. Oommen, Paul Panackal, Mary Philip, Pr. Sara Peter, Mathew P. Thomas and John Thomas



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Date Of Event: June 29, 2025
Total Attendance: 225
Number of Churches: 12
Event Coordinators
Koshy George, George Abraham, Raju Abraham

SPECIAL GUESTS

Bishop Joy Alappatt (Syro Malabar Catholic Eparchy, Chicago)
Rt. Rev. Dr. Johncy Itty, Bishop, (The Episcopal Church, USA)
Bimal John, President, FIACONA
Eva. Daniel Mathew, PYFA President





PHILADELPHIA, PA



Pioneer Ambassadors

Stanley George, Bimal John,
Rev. M.K. Kuriakkos, Paul Varkey,
Rev. V.K. Mackwana, Mathew
Samuel and Eldo Verghese



*"Great effort in bringing
community together"*

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Date of Event: July 13, 2025
Total Attendance: 300
Number of Churches: 11

Event Coordinators:
Bimal John, Mathew Samuel,
Stanley George, Paul Varkey,
Eldo Verghese

SPECIAL GUESTS



PHOENIX, AZ



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Uday Burra, Kiran Emmadi,
Bobby Maddela, John M, Uday S,
Frank, Jeevan and Vivek



*"Thanks for uniting
Christians in Arizona"*

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Date Of Event: August 31, 2025
Total Attendance: 150
Number of Churches: 5

Event Coordinators:
Bobby Maddela
Kiran Emmadi



RALEIGH, NC



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Matthews Abraham, Krupa Benhur Gadde, Sharath Gadde, Krupa Stephen Gadde, Nathan Ganugapanta, Kishore Nukala, Immanuel Rampa and Kalyan Thumaty



"We tasted a slice of heaven in singing today" – Ps. Adam Darnell, Executive Pastor, Redeemer Community Church

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date: July 19, 2025
Total Attendance: 232
Number of Churches: 6

Event Coordinators:
Sharath Gadde, Krupa Stephen Gadde, Nathan Ganugapanta,



SACRAMENTO, CA



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Sam Bernett, Nixon George, Renie George, P T Mathew, Mary Jeevamani, Sudheer Kodamala, George Paul, Prince Philip, Aaron Pillay and Pr. Paul Sunkari



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date : August 9, 2025
Total Attendance: 220
Number of Churches: 16

Event Coordinators:
Nixon George, Prince Philip





SAN ANTONIO, TX



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Rector Arya, Joseph Bathala, Prasanna Burri, Rama Chillimuntha, Ravi Duggirala, Pranay Joshua, Praveen Kanapala, Goutham Rajan, Rajesh Reddy, Cyriac Scaria and Lizu Thomas



"Thanks for organizing the ICD event to remember the contributions of Indian Christians along with bringing together people from different churches in the town"

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Date Of Event: August 23, 2025
Total Attendance: 250
Number of Churches: 15

Event Coordinators:
Ravi Duggirala, Rector Arya,
Praveen Kanapala

SPECIAL GUESTS

Honorable Rep. John Lujan,
District 118, Texas



SILICON VALLEY BAY AREA, CA



Pioneer Ambassadors:

John Bathula, Suresh Chitithoti Prabhu Gorikapudi, Samuel Jones Vincent G, Andrew Gudipati Bharath Thulimelli, Girish Natarajan, Finny Abraham, Pr. Rajiv Pathik, Pr. Vasanth Abbasdarfi



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date: July 19, 2025
Total Attendance: 300
Number of Churches: 10

Coordinators:
Finny Abraham, Pr. Rajiv Pathik

SPECIAL GUESTS

Congressman Sam Liccardo
Prof. MM Ninan (Historian)





TAMPA, FL



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Rachel Moody, Sunitha Flowerhill
 Kiran Yalavarthi, Shilo Yalavarthi
 Arun Julian, John Sajja
 John David Shikle, Sadhu Moka
 Vishal Gunguru, Prthyusha Gunguru
 Lorraine Kasimalla, Charan Reddy
 Joseph Ravela, Deena Ravela
 Ravi Karthaka, Martin Joshua
 Samuel Vipparthi, Sookthi Singam
 Vamshi Tutu Jannu, Smruthi
 Ravirekhala, Nishanth Ravirekhala

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date: June 28, 2025
 Total Attendance: 600
 Number of Churches: 15
 Coordinators:
 Tony Jannu, Sam Kasimalla
 Pr. Francis Moka & Pr. Sanjay Jada



SPECIAL GUESTS

Mr. James Elisha Taneti
 Pastor Greg Dumas, Rev Ernie
 Rivera, Pastor Stephen Vara Prasad
 Moka, Pastor Maniram, Pastor
 Mathews, Pastor Moses Brown
 Pastor Ray Banon



WASHINGTON DC, MD, VA



Pioneer Ambassadors:

Andy Swarna,
 Sucharitha Cole,
 Rev Neal Christie
 TCF Members
 SASDAC Members

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Event Date: June 28, 2025
 Total Attendance: 90
 Number of Churches: 10

Coordinators:
 Andy Swarna, Sucharitha Cole



SPECIAL GUESTS

Asst Prof. Ms. Ananya
 Rev. Dr. HS Wilson
 Dr. Surendra Paul Gill



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**INDIAN CHRISTIAN DAY
YESHU BHAKTI DIVAS**
NORTH AMERICA

ICD/YBD 2030 VISION



2000th Anniversary of Christ's Ministry

As we look toward 2030—the 2000th anniversary of Lord Jesus Christ's earthly ministry—the ICD/YBD Movement is poised for unprecedented expansion. Our goal is to grow from 14 vibrant chapters today to active presence in every major metropolitan area across the United States and Canada.

This expansion isn't just about numbers—it's about creating sustainable, locally-rooted communities that celebrate our heritage, serve their neighbors, and unite Indian followers of Lord Jesus across denominational and linguistic boundaries.

ICD/YBD Global Youth Ambassadors Program

The future of the ICD/YBD Movement belongs to the next generation. Our Global Youth Ambassador Program is designed to equip and empower young leaders to become the torchbearers of our 2000-year heritage. Starting in 2026, youth and young adults from across North America will have opportunities to lead research projects, create engaging digital content and social media campaigns that bring our heritage to life, organize service initiatives that demonstrate Christ's love in action, and build global networks by connecting with peers across continents, participating in leadership gatherings, and helping shape the Movement's future.



Join the Movement: 2026 - 2030

This is a movement, not an organization—there's no hierarchy, no bureaucracy, just passionate people spreading the word in their communities. Ambassadors bring people together and help launch new chapters where they live. Whether ICD/YBD already exists in your city or you're ready to start something new, your voice matters. The journey to 2030 will be built by ambassadors who believe this heritage needs to be celebrated. If you've been thinking about getting involved, now is the time. Please visit indianchristianday.com





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by last name

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Love your neighbour



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COMPASSION ACTION

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