24th March

We are in real trouble, I don't know how our Government is going to handle the Situation. We just simply relying on God . As bishop, I have sent information and circular to all the pastors and Heads of institution to obey the Government order and withdraw from coming to Churches and to institutions . Services are called off. Diocesan office is closed till 31st of March. Government declared CMC as one of the places where the covid 19 test could be done.

The state emergency is declared for 8 days. We are under house arrest. I have canceled all my appointments till April.

Mariyan is at home, Sophi continue to work at the hospital, now CMC wants all of them to work in a war foot manner.

God alone to intervene and help.

Please pray for us.

Yes, Fiona we will miss you all. But we assure our prayers for the Diocese of Ely. Ely is close to our heart. We remember the faithful Long journey that we are in . We hope that it continues.

Prayer points.

Pray for IN India IN

Pray for the global community

Pray for the Churches in India

Pray for the vulnerable people, poor and the old.

Pray for the CSI, all the Diocese

Pray for the Synod Moderator and other officers of the csi

Pray for the pastors in CSI, about 5000

Pray for all the Catechist, Bible women, Sisters and Evangelists

Pray for vellore Diocese

Pastors, officers of the Diocese, women's board, Catechists, bible women, Evangelists, Sabai maniyams

Pastorate Officers, pc members, all the Teachers, HM's, college professors, teaching and non teaching at Voorhees college, correspondents, School children, students.

Village congregations, Town congregations

Sexton's family, Gardner's, Watchmen,

Government Hospitals and primary health care centres

CMC Vellore, SMH Ranipet, Vandavasi Hospital. Specially pray for the Seniors and Children.

Please remember the daily coolies, rickshaw pullers, vegetable vendors on the Street, corporation workers, scavengers.

Please remember all the Collectors, PM, C.M.

Diocesan Staff, Diocesan Hostel Managers, wardens, Project in charge,

Finally pray for China, Italy IT, Iran IR, UK GB, USA US, France FR, Russia RU, Singapore SG and other countries that are going through this tuff time

God bless

Bp Sharma

Diocese of Vellore- CSI

This is the circular to our pastors

At this hour of extreme trial and hopelessness, let us ask God how He wants to use us. How to be a part of supporting church-run Hospitals like SMH, CMC and other Government Hospitals nearer to you to power them with our support in their war against the virus? Sacrifice your needs to meet the needs of these ministering hospitals which fight the pandemic for us. Jesus gave His ALL. Let us give our mite to win the virus war. Support the Hospitals by giving them Sanitizer, liquid soap, Sterillium and other items. Avoid wasteful expenditure to join in this mission, as they are in need. Let's resolve to prove our commitment. Send your support as you remain at home. Please help the Poor and the vulnerable. Open the doors **I** of our Churches by way of extending support to the Sick and the Suffering.

God bless.

Bp. H. Sharma Nithiyanandham.

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