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## From then to now

By Valentine Paulraj

Glad to be back with you through this issue. This issue of our newsletter is a special one as it marks the completion of our second year in existence. Looking back over the year we are now more than hundred and fifty active members. It all started as a small group and has multiplied well over the first year. The newsletter has been quite an impact and readers have started providing feedback and articles. But since we were not able to churn it out on a monthly basis due to other commitments and responsibilities we have made it now quarterly but with more articles. We received great encouragement from the faculty of Saint Joseph's College and many of the ordained faculty visited the US and shared their thoughts and words, either in person or via phone calls or e-mails. Our group had helped us bridge lost friends not only in the US but even overseas. We had a great one day get together last summer and are eagerly waiting for something similar this year. We have been able to secure jobs for members of our group through our network of professionals. Overall it has been a very fruitful and successful year.

Your ideas, suggestions and recommendations for improvement are welcome and we would love to cater to any of your needs based on its popularity.

We encourage you to write to the news letter sharing your experience during and after SJC. Once again we thank

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contributors of articles for this news letter and wish you all the very best and remember to stay connected until we meet again. "United we stand, divided we fall".

Remember that we all have been blessed and that is why we are what we are today. Let the blessings not just stop with us but let us reach out and be a blessing to others in the days and years to come.

Wish you all a wonderful, prosperous and blessed June.

With warm wishes

Valentine Paulraj

## Here are some quotable quotes

Compiled by Rajasekar B. Com 1979

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle. --- *Albert Einstein*

An avalanche begins with a snowflake. --- *Joseph D. Compton*

I always turn to the sports page first. The sports page records people's accomplishments; the front-page nothing but man's failures. --- *Supreme Court Justice Earl Warren*

Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved. --- *William Jennings Bryan*

Remember, today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday. --- *Dale Carnegie*

I never looked at the consequences of missing a big shot . . . when you think about the consequences you always think of a negative result. --- *Michael Jordan*

A man loves his sweetheart the most, his wife the best, but his mother the longest. --- *Irish Proverb*

An adventure is only an inconvenience rightly considered. An inconvenience is only an adventure wrongly considered. --- *G.K. Chesterton*

Vision is the art of seeing things invisible --- *Robert Cushing*

It is better to deserve honors and not have them than to have them and not deserve them. --- *Mark Twain*

It is your attitude more than your aptitude that will determine your altitude! --- *Dr. Gary V. Carter*

Life is a journey, not a guided tour. --- *Bryan Rehard*

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible. - *George Burns*

## Recipe for your taste

By Nagarjuna B.Sc Chem 1969

### CHICKEN PEPPER CHETINAD

Ingredients:

1. chicken, jointed – 1.2 kg
2. thick curd – 1 cup
3. ginger paste – 1 tsp
4. garlic paste – 1 tsp
5. freshly crushed pepper – 1 1/2 tbsp
6. lime juice – 1 tsp

Gravy:

1. groundnut oil – 75 ml
2. large onions finely chopped - 4
3. ginger paste – 1 tsp
4. garlic paste – 1 tsp
5. large tomatoes blanched deseeded and chopped – 2
6. salt – to taste

Tempering:

1. groundnut oil – 25 ml
2. whole dry red chillies – 2
3. spring of curry leaves – 1

Method:

The chicken should be jointed into medium sized pieces. Prepare a marinade with the whipped curd, ginger – garlic pastes crushed pepper and lime juice and marinate the chicken in it for 1 hour.

Gravy: Heat the oil in a degchi; put in the onions and fry over a medium heat till a light golden. Add the ginger garlic paste and sauté until golden brown. Add the tomatoes and stir fry till the oil separates. Add the chicken along with the marinade and salt. Stir for 5-6 minutes and add 1 cup of water. Cover and cook till done.

Now, prepare the tempering. Heat the oil in a small frying pan. Put in the whole chillies and curry leaves. Remove when the chillies turn dark and pour at once over the chicken. There should be very thick gravy.

## Something to Laugh

By Ramesh Bsc Mathematics 1972

### Tomato Story

A Jobless man applied for the position of 'office boy' at Microsoft. The HR manager interviewed him then watched him cleaning the floor as a test.

'You are employed' he said. Give me your e-mail address and I'll send you the application to fill in, as well as date when you may start.

The man replied 'But I don't have a computer, neither an email'.

'I'm sorry', said the HR manager. If you don't have an email, that means you do not exist. And who doesn't exist, cannot have the job.'

The man left with no hope at all. He didn't know what to do, with only \$10 in his pocket. He then decided to go to the supermarket and buy a 10Kg tomato crate. He then sold the tomatoes in a door to door round. In less than two hours, he succeeded to double his capital. He repeated the operation three times, and returned home with \$60.

The man realized that he can survive by this way, and started to go everyday earlier, and return late. Thus, his money doubled or tripled everyday ay. Shortly, he bought a cart, then a truck, and then he had his own fleet of delivery vehicles.

5 years later, the man is one of the biggest food retailers in the US. He started to plan his family's future, and decided to have a life insurance.

He called an insurance broker, and chose a protection plan. When the conversation was concluded the broker asked him his email. The man replied, 'I don't have an email.' The broker

answered curiously, 'You don't have an email, and yet have succeeded to build an empire. Can you imagine what you could have been if you had an email?!' The man thought for a while and replied, 'Yes, I'd be an office boy at Microsoft!'

#### Moral of the story

##### Moral 1

Internet is not the solution to your life.

##### Moral 2

If you don't have Internet, but work hard, you can be a millionaire.

##### Moral 3

If you received this message by an email, you are closer to being an office boy, than a millionaire.....

P.S - Do not try to contact me via e-mail, I am closing my email account & going to sell tomatoes!!!



# அப்பா... -By Kutty B.Com 1984

எப்படி எப்படி  
எல்லாமோ  
தன் பாசம்  
உணர்த்துவாள் அம்மா  
ஒரேயொரு  
கைஅழுத்தத்தில்  
எல்லாமே  
உணர்த்துவார்  
அப்பா...

முன்னால்  
சொன்னதில்லை  
பிறர் சொல்லித்தான்  
கேட்டிருக்கிறேன்  
என்னைப்  
பற்றி பெருமையாக  
அப்பா  
பேசிக்கொண்டிருந்ததை...

அம்மா  
எத்தனையோ முறை  
திட்டினாலும்  
உறைத்ததில்லை  
உடனே  
உறைத்திருக்கிறது  
என்றேனும்  
அப்பா  
முகம் வாடும் போது

உன் அப்பா  
எவ்வளவு உற்சாகமாக  
இருக்கிறார் தெரியுமா  
என என் நண்பர்கள்  
என்னிடமே சொல்லும்  
போதுதான் எனக்குத்

தெரிந்தது  
எத்தனை பேருக்குக்  
கிடைக்காத தந்தை  
எனக்கு மட்டும் என...

கேட்ட உடனே  
கொடுப்பதற்கு  
முடியாததால் தான்  
அப்பாவை அனுப்பி  
இருக்கிறாரோ  
கடவுள்..?

சிறுவயதில்  
என் கைப்பிடித்து  
நடைபயில  
சொல்லிக்கொடுத்த  
அப்பா  
என் கரம் பிடித்து  
நடந்த போது  
என்ன நினைத்திருப்பார்..?

லேசாக என் கால்  
தடுமாறினாலும்  
பதறும் அப்பா  
இன்று நான்  
தடுமாரிய போது  
பதறாமல் இருக்கிறார்  
மீளா துயிலில்...

அம்மா செல்லமா  
அப்பா செல்லமா  
என கேட்டபோதெல்லாம்  
பெருமையாகச் சொல்லி  
இருக்கிறேன்  
அம்மா செல்லமான  
அப்பா செல்லம் என  
இன்று  
அப்பா சென்ற பின்னர்  
நான் யார் செல்லம்..?

எத்தனையோ பேர்  
நான் இருக்கிறேன்  
எனச் சொன்னாலும்  
அப்பாவை போல்  
யார் இருக்க முடியும்..?

சொல்லிக்  
கொடுத்ததில்லை  
திட்டியதும் இல்லை  
இல்லை என்றும்  
சொன்னதுமில்லை  
வேண்டாம் எனக்  
கூறியதும் இல்லை  
இருந்தும் ஏதோ  
ஒன்றினால்  
கட்டுப்படுத்தியது  
அப்பாவின் அன்பு

நானும் காட்டியதில்லை  
அவரும் காட்டியதில்லை  
எங்கள் பாசத்தை...  
இருந்தும் காட்டிக்  
கொடுத்த கண்ணீரைத்  
துடைக்க இன்று  
அப்பாவும் இல்லை..

அம்மாவிடம்  
பாசத்தையும்  
அப்பாவிடம்  
நேசத்தையும்  
இன்றே உணர்த்துங்கள்  
சில நாளைகள்  
இல்லாமலும் போகலாம்...

## ஒரு கோழி ரோட்டைக் கடந்து சென்றது ஏன்?.

By Parthasarathy B.A Tamil Litt (1981)

இந்த கேள்வியை சில பிரபலங்களிடம் கேட்டால்- ஒரு கற்பனை.

**ஒபாமா:** எல்லாம் ஒரு மாற்றத்திற்கு தான்

**ஜியார்ஜ் புஷ்:** கோழி ரோட்டை கிராஸ் பண்ணியதைப் பற்றி எங்களுக்கு அக்கறையில்லை. கோழி ரோட்டில் எங்க பக்கமா இல்லையா என்பது தான் கேள்வி. கோழி ஒண்ணு எங்க பக்கமா இருக்கணும் இல்லை எதிர் தரப்பா இருக்கணும். நடு வழியெல்லாம் ஒத்து வராது.

**பில் கேட்ஸ்:** நாங்க இப்போ தான் சிக்கன்2008 ஐ ரிலீஸ் பண்ணியிருக்கோம். இந்த கோழி ரோட்டை மட்டும் கிராஸ் பண்ணாது. முட்டை போடும் உங்க டாகுமென்ட்ஸ்ஜ பையில் பண்ணும். இந்த சிக்கன் 2008 கிராஷ் ஆகவே ஆகாது.

**ஜனஸ்டைன்:** கோழி ரோட்டைக் கடந்ததா அல்லது ரோடு கோழியன் கால்களுக்கு கீழே கடந்து சென்றதா?

**நியூட்டன்:** எனது மூன்றாவது விதிப்படி ஒவ்வொரு ரோட்டின் ஒரு பக்கத்திற்கு எதிர புறம் இருந்ததால் கோழி ரோட்டை கடந்து சென்றது

**கருணாநிதி:** நான் இலங்கைத் தமிழர்களுக்கு அதரவாக ஏற்பாடு செய்திருந்த மனித சங்கிலியில் கலந்து கொள்ள கோழியும் பங்கேற்க ரோட்டை கடந்து சென்றிருக்கலாம். என்னே இந்த கோழியின் தமிழ் பற்று.

**ஜெயலலிதா:** இந்த மாதிரி கோழிகளை ரோட்டைக் கடக்க செய்து அதனால் விளையும் ஆபத்துகளால் சட்ட ஒழுங்கு முறையைக் காக்க தவறிய கருணாநிதி பதவி விலக வேண்டும்.

**சீமான்:** நமது தொப்புள் கொடி உறவுகளுக்கு ஆதரவாக உலகத் தமிழர் அனைவரும் கடல் கடந்து இலங்கை செல்ல வேண்டும் என்பதை சுட்டக் காட்டும் முகமாக கோழி ரோட்டைக் கடந்து சென்றது என்பேன்.

**வடிவேலு:** கடந்துட்டான்யா கடந்துட்டான்யா கறி சமைச்சு சாப்பிடாலும்னு கோழியை எடுக்கப் போனா இந்த நாதாரி கோழி ரோட்டைக் கடந்து போயிடுச்சே இப்போ நான் என்ன பண்ணுவேன்?

**விவேக்:** இந்த தமிழ் நாட்டு மக்களைத் திருத்தவே முடியாதா? கோழியை ரோட்டை கிராஸ் பண்ண விட்டா மழை வரும்னு நம்புறாங்களே? எத்தனை பெரியார் வந்தாலும் திருந்தமாட்டாங்களாடா?

**கமல ஹாஸன்:** ஹா ஹா ஹா நான் தசாவதாரம் படத்தில் 10 வேஷத்தில் நடிச்சாலும் நடிச்சேன் ரோட்டைக் கடந்து போறது கோழி இல்லை கமல ஹாஸன் தான் கோழி வேஷத்தில் போறாருங்கறாங்க.

**ரஜனி காந்த்:** கண்ணா கோழி ரோட்டைக் கடந்தாலும் சரி அல்லது ரோடு கோழியைக் கடந்தாலும் சரி நான் எப்போ அரசியலுக்கு வருவேன்னு யாராலும் சொல்ல முடியாது.

**From the desk of Chandra B.A (Eng) 1981**

## **"You be the Judge"**

A few centuries ago, a Law teacher came across a student who was willing to learn but was unable to pay the fees. The student struck a deal with the teacher saying, "I will pay your fee from first case in court that I win".

The teacher agreed and admitted the student in his law course. When the course was finished the teacher reminded the student of the tuition fee owed to the professor, the student, in turn reminded him of the deal and refused to pay. Fed up with this, the teacher decided to sue the student in the court of law and both decided to argue their for themselves.

The teacher put forward his argument saying: " If I win this case, as per the court of law, the student has to pay me as the case is about his non-payment of dues. And if I lose the case, student will still pay me because he would have won his first case. So either way I will have to get the money".

Quickly, the brilliant student argued back with: "If I win the case, as per the court of law, I don't

have to pay anything to the teacher as the case is about my non-payment of dues. And if I lose the case, I don't have to pay him because I haven't won my first case yet. So either way, I am not going to pay the teacher anything".

As judge how would you resolve this paradox?

### WOMEN WHO KNOW THEIR PLACE

Several years before the Afghan conflict, Barbara Walters, co-host of 20/20, did a story on gender roles in Kabul, Afghanistan.

She noted that women customarily walked five paces behind their husbands.

She recently returned to Kabul and observed that--in spite of the overthrow of the oppressive Taliban regime, women still walk behind their husbands, and appear happy to maintain the old custom.

Ms. Walters approached one of the Afghani women and asked: 'Why do you now seem to prefer an old custom that you once tried so desperately to change?'

The woman looked Ms. Walters straight in the eyes, and without hesitation said: 'Land Mines.' Moral of the story is that no matter what language you speak or where you go:  
BEHIND EVERY MAN, THERE'S A SMART WOMAN!!

### ESSAY FROM A CHILD

A teacher from Primary School asks her students to write a essay about what they would like God to do for them...At the end of the day while marking the essays, she read one that made her very emotional. Her husband, that had just walked in saw her crying and asked her: - What happened?

She answered - Read this. It's one of my students essay.

Oh God, tonight I ask you something very special: Make me into a television. I want to take its place. Live like the TV in my house. Have my own special place, and have my family around ME. To be taken seriously when I talk.... I want to be the centre of attention and be heard without interruptions or questions. I want to receive the same special care that the TV receives when it is not working. Have the company of my dad when he arrives home from work, even when he is tired. And I want my mom to want me when she is sad and upset, instead of ignoring me... And... I want my brothers to fight to be with me... I want to feel that family just leaves everything aside, every now and then, just to spend some time with me. And last but not least make it that I can make them all happy and entertain them... Lord I don't ask you for much... I just want to live like every TV.

At that moment the husband said 'My God, poor kid. What horrible parents!

She looked up at him and said 'That essay is our child's"

## வெற்றி நீச்சலம்

ஈரோட்டில் சி.கே.கே. அறக்கட்டளை என்கிற தரமான இலக்கிய அமைப்பு நடத்திய விழாவில் நண்பர் லேனா தமிழ்வாணன் ஒரு நல்ல கருத்தைச் சொன்னார். காசு கொடுத்து அவர் வாங்கிய புத்தகத்தில் ஒரு வரிக்கு - அந்த புத்தகத்தின் விலை முழுவதும் கொடுக்கலாம் என்றார். அது என்ன வரி? 'கஷ்டப்படாமல் இருக்கக் கஷ்டப்படுங்கள்' என்பதே.

ஆம். வாழ்க்கையில் பலவிதமான கஷ்டங்கள் பிற்காலத்தில் படாமல் இருக்க இளமையில் கொஞ்சம் கஷ்டப்பட்டால் என்ன?

அது மட்டுமல்ல. இனம் புரியாத எதிர்பாராத கஷ்டங்கள் வராமல் இருக்கத் திட்டமிட்ட கஷ்டங்கள் படலாமே. காலை நான்கு மணிக்கே எழுவது கஷ்டம். ஆனால் பிற்காலத்தில் படுக்க இடம் இல்லாமல், குடியிருக்க வீடு இல்லாமல் கஷ்டப்படாமல் இருக்கப் படுக்கையை விட்டு நான்கு மணிக்கே எழலாமே. உடலில் முதுகுவலி, மூட்டுவலி என்று திணறாமல் இருக்க உடற்பயிற்சி என்ற ஒழுங்கான கஷ்டம் படலாமே. பட்டினி அல்லது கடை உணவு என்கிற பெருங்கஷ்டம் ஏற்படாமல் இருக்கச் சமையல் என்கிற கஷ்டம் படலாமே. ஒழுங்கற்ற எதிர்பாராத கஷ்டத்தைத் தவிர்க்க, திட்டமிட்ட கஷ்டங்கள் படுவது அவசியம்.

எனவே கஷ்டப்படாமல் இருக்கக் கஷ்டப்படுங்கள் என்ற வாக்கியம் ஒரு வாழ்க்கைச் சூத்திரம்.

பிள்ளைப் பேறுகூட ஒரு கஷ்டம்தான். தாய் அதைப் படாமல் இருந்தால் நாம் வந்தே இருக்க முடியாது. ஆனால் இளைய தலமுறை ஜாலியாக இருக்க விரும்புகிறது. கஷ்டமே இருக்கக் கூடாது என்று கனவு காணுகிறது.

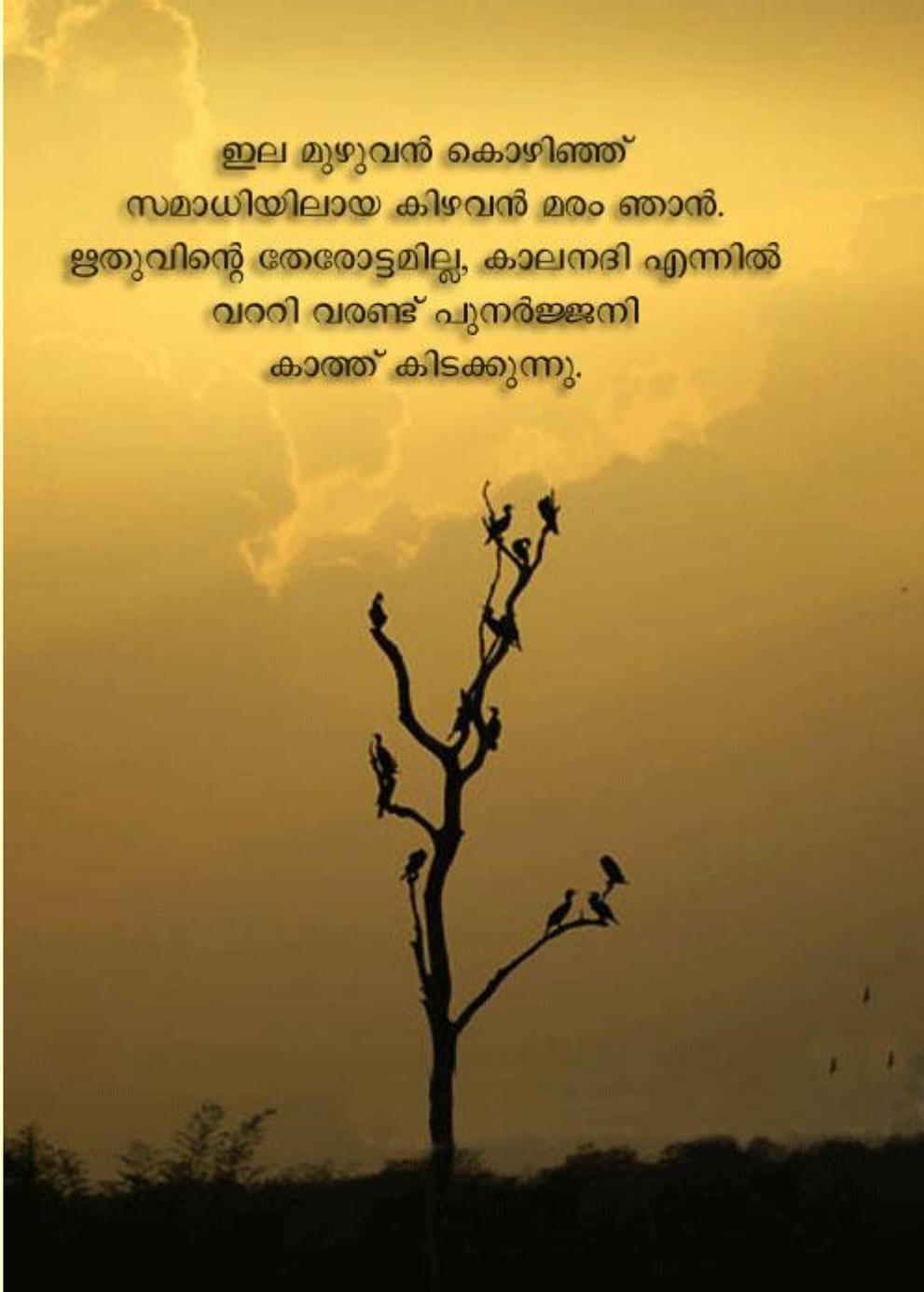
சின்ன வண்டு ஒன்று கூட்டில் இருந்து வெளியேறும் போது அவஸ்தையுடன்தான் பயணத்தை ஆரம்பிக்கிறது. இதை மாணவருக்கு உணர்த்த ஆசிரியர் ஒரு வழி செய்தார். கூட்டில் இருந்து அது வெளியேறும் துயரத்தைப் பார்க்கட்டும் என்று மாணவர் மத்தியில் விட்டுவிட்டு வெளியே போனார். அது கூட்டில் இருந்து வரும் வேதனையைக் கண்ட மாணவன் அதற்கு உதவி செய்வதாக நினைத்துக் கொண்டு அது வெளியேறும் ஓட்டையைப் பெரிதுபடுத்தினான். அது சுலபமாக வெளி வந்துவிட்டது. மாணவன் மகிழ்ந்தான். ஆனால் வண்டு மகிழவில்லை.

வெளியே வந்தும் அதனால் பறக்க முடியவில்லை. ஏன்..? அதன் சிறகுகளை அசைக்கக்கூட முடியவில்லை. செய்தி அறிந்த ஆசிரியர் காரணம் கண்டுபிடித்தார். கூட்டில் இருந்து சிறிய துளைவழி வெளியேறச் சிரமப்படும்தோதுதான் அது தன் சிறகுகளை அசைத்து அசைத்துப் பழகுகிறது. அதற்கு வாய்ப்பே இல்லாததால் இறகுகளை அசைக்க அதற்குத் தெரியவே இல்லை.

சிரமங்கள்தான் நம்மைப் பலப்படுத்துகின்றன. கஷ்டங்கள்தான் நம்மை வலுப்படுத்துகின்றன. துயரங்கள்தான் நம்மை உருவாக்குகின்றன. எதிர்பாராத சிரமங்களைத் தவிர்க்க எதிர்பார்க்கும் சிரமங்களை ஏற்றுக் கொள்ளுங்கள். வெற்றி நிச்சயம்.

A poem provided by Suresh Gopi

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കാത്ത് കിടക്കുന്നു.



## Natural Home Remedies for Back Pain

Compiled by Malarvizhi Ramanathan CPA

Back-pain home remedies rely primarily on rest and modification of daily routine. The kitchen shelves, however, do hold a few ingredients that can help get you "back" into shape.

### [Home Remedies From the Cupboard](#)

**Chamomile tea.** Daily stress can make back muscles feel knotted. Chamomile tea offers calming relief to soothe tense muscle tissue. During a break or after work, treat yourself to a steaming mug. Steep 1 tablespoon chamomile flowers in 1 cup boiling water for 15 minutes. Or, you can use a prepackaged chamomile tea. Drink 1 to 3 cups a day. (Warning! Chamomile contains allergy-inducing proteins related to ragweed pollen. Ask your doctor about drinking chamomile if you are allergic to ragweed.) Packaged tea may be safer to drink than tea made from the flowers. Your doctor can advise you.

**Epsom salts.** Epsom salts ease back pain by reducing swelling. Fill your bathtub as usual and add 2 cups salts. Soak for 30 minutes.

**Rice.** Fill a clean, thick sock with 1 cup uncooked rice and place in the microwave for 30 to 60 seconds on medium-low. Check the temperature and apply to the back.

### [Home Remedies From the Freezer](#)

**Cold compresses.** Cold compresses or ice packs should be applied immediately after back strain or injury. When the back suffers injury, blood rushes to the damaged area. Even though the resulting swelling is normal, too much inflammation can increase pain and lengthen your recovery period. An icy application reduces inflammation and helps numb pain. To make a cold compress, pack a few crushed cubes of ice into a plastic reclosable bag, cover with a washcloth or towel, and apply to the back for 15 minutes. Take it off for 30 minutes and then replace it for 15 more minutes. (A bag of frozen vegetables also works well. Wrap in a towel, too.)

### [Home Remedies From the Refrigerator](#)

**Ginger root.** Fragrant ginger root has long been known to cure nausea, but back pain? Yes, ginger contains anti-inflammatory compounds, including some with mild aspirin-like effects. When your back aches, cut a 1- to 2-inch fresh ginger root into slices and place in 1 quart boiling water. Simmer, covered, for 30 minutes on low heat. Cool for 30 minutes. Strain, sweeten with honey (to taste), and drink.

**Milk.** Bone up on milk. Women, especially, should take care to include plenty of calcium in their diets. Older women are at greater risk for developing osteoporosis, the disease of eroding bones. Calcium helps build strong bones and protects the spine from osteoporosis.

### [Home Remedies From the Stove](#)

**Hot compresses.** You can begin to apply heat to your back 48 hours after an injury. Warmth relaxes tight muscles, increases blood flow, and is extremely soothing. Soak a washcloth in water that you've heated on the stove, use a heating pad, or take a hot shower or bath. Nothing can put you out of commission faster than back pain. Now that you've read this article, you can make these home remedies part of your back-saving strategy

## Gardening Tips

### Tomato Plant Care

By Michael Russell

The tomato is one of the most popular plants kept in home gardens. They are easy to grow and provide food for your family. Tomatoes do need to be cared for to grow though.

The tomato is actually a fruit even though most people think of it as a vegetable. At one time, people thought it was poisonous to eat and they were only grown for decoration. They were referred to as "love apples" then. There are literally hundreds of varieties to choose from for your home garden and all of them have different size, color, shape, season of maturity, disease resistance and taste. Choose a variety that you will enjoy having!

Tomatoes can be either determinate or indeterminate. Determinate means that they develop a flower cluster at the terminal growing point. The plant will stop growing at this height. Indeterminate plants do not form this flower cluster and will continue to grow taller indefinitely. Indeterminate tomatoes also produce very flavorful fruit, but are usually late to mature. Most of the older varieties of tomatoes are indeterminate. Determinate vines are easier to control but they also have ripe fruit for a shorter time period than indeterminate plants.

Tomatoes do not tolerate freezing temperatures, so it is best to plant them once the weather is warm. For adequate harvest room, you will need to space your plants apart. The spacing for each variety is different, however. For dwarf plants, they will need to be twelve inches apart in the row. Staked plants will need to be 15 to 24 inches apart. Some indeterminate varieties even need four feet of space between them in the rows and five to six feet in between rows.

When you plant your tomato plants, you should fertilize them right away. You can also cultivate shallowly or hoe to keep the weeds down without doing damage to the roots. Mulching is highly recommended, especially if you want to have your plant for the full season harvest. Organic materials or black plastic is okay to use for mulching. However, don't put down organic materials until the soil has warmed up all the way. If you put it down too early, the plant will not grow very well.

You will need to water your tomato plants regularly and thoroughly. If you are keeping your plants in containers they may need to be watered every day or even more. You will also need to feed your plants with a liquid tomato fertilizer once every two to three weeks until the end of August. The fertilizer should be high in potash. Once September arrives, just feed it with a regular fertilizer that is high in nitrogen. Weed around the plants as much as you can to prevent bugs and diseases from getting to your tomatoes. As the plant grows, you will also need to use stakes to support it. Tie the main stem to the stakes.

If you give this plant the care it needs, you will be rewarded with delicious tomatoes. Tomatoes are the best after they have just ripened so for the best taste eat them as soon as they are ripe.

This is a great plant to keep at your home!

# The Flat and Transparent World

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## Forces behind Flat and Transparent World

There are so many other things about BRIC that would take pages and pages of writing. "Let's look at something else at this time", said the Columbus messenger who has been travelling inside the United States before making the trip to other countries. One side there are big advancement and other side there are impacts due to that advancement. For example the recent month's people are awakening due to the crude oil spill on the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico. "The black water Rising" started the environmental fallout which challenges the political landscaping of Government to make the environment Green. The true reckoning is still unknown as scientists mull the impact on the sea life that feeds millions of Americans. BP's blowout preventer looks like a five-story fire hydrant caused the Oil spill on April 20th. The deepwater Horizon was the first to rig to experience a blowout while drilling in such deep water (about 5000 feet). Human drivers can't access these depths, so all response operations are carried out remotely using robotic submarines. You might have surprised seeing the underwater drilling which poses various security and environmental issues that may become a disaster like an "Armageddon". The more you advance the more you get disasters. The future generations are impacted by many things that worry most of us today.

The Bible tells us that God created the world in six days and on the seventh day he rested. Flattening the world took a little longer. There are several forces behind flat and transparent world. These forces have been started the later part of the 20th century. Since then none of us has rested or maybe ever will again.

### #1 When the Walls came down and the Windows Went up

The fall of Berlin Wall on 11/9/89 unleashed forces that ultimately liberated all the captive peoples of the Soviet Empire. But it actually did so much more. It tipped the balance of power across the world toward those advocating democratic, consensual, free-market-oriented governance and away from those advocating authoritarian rule with centrally planned economies. The cold war had been a struggle between two economic systems, capitalism and communism and with the fall of the wall, there was only one system left and everyone had to orient him or herself to it one way or other. Henceforth more and more economies would be governed from the ground up, by the interests, demands, and aspirations of the people, rather than from the top down, by the interests of some narrow ruling clique. Within two years, there was no soviet Empire to hide behind anymore or to prop up autocratic regimes in Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Or Latin America. If you were not a democracy or a democratizing society, if you continued to hold fast to highly regulated or centrally planned economies, you were seen as being on the wrong side of history. For some, particularly older generations, this was an unwelcome transformation.

Communism was a great system for making people equally poor. In fact, there was no better system in the world for that than communism. Capitalism made people unequally rich, and for some who were used to the plodding, limited, but secure socialist lifestyle, where a job, a house, an education and a pension were all guaranteed, even if they were meager - the fall of the Berlin wall was deeply unsettling. But for many others, it was a get-out-of-jail-free card. That's why fall of Berlin wall was felt in so many other places than just Berlin, and why its fall was such a world-flattening event.

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