

# JOSHUA DAVID PRIESTLEY

December 17, 1992 – August 31, 2020



**“Shooting stars move quickly, shine brightly, and disappear sooner.” (unknown)**

Josh's verse, quoted by Josh in an email from India:  
**“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring the  
Good News, of those who bring the Gospel of Peace.”**

Romans 10:15



*Josh in Bangalore, India (2013), celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Home of Faith. Josh later helped at Greater Hope Children Orphanage, digging its foundation and raising money for its construction. The old building collapsed unexpectedly the day after the children were moved into the new building.*

Joshua participated in Korean **martial arts** (Soo Bahk Do), dirt biking, **scuba** diving (multiple certifications), and **skydiving**, and received the Merit Award for **Mandarin** Chinese language studies at high school graduation (Lakeridge '11). Josh completed Discipleship Training School with **YWAM** (Youth with a Mission) in Perth, Australia ('12) and served on several Christian **missions**, beginning at age 15 with Royal Servants. By age 22, Josh had traveled to at least **7 countries** for the sole purpose of serving Christ by sharing the Good News of the Gospel, including China, Israel, U.K., India, Nepal, Thailand, and Cambodia. Joshua's primary occupation was as a **missionary** (unpaid) and he labored secondarily as a **landscaping** assistant to an arborist. Joshua was a giver.

Checks left at this service made to "Venkatesh Kannan" (Pastor Paul) will be donated to his orphanage for its support and for the children's education.

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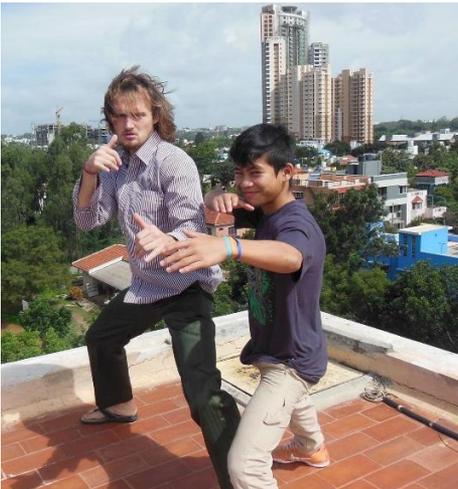
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*Joshua, his parents' pride and joy, unflappably happy from the youngest age, always took a good time with him.*



*Josh, a loving, attentive grandson, even in his grandpa's final year. Josh could be as silly as his gramps!*



*Josh had friends around the world, and often enjoyed martial arts and sparring.*



*Josh shows his younger cousin how fun sitting in the DeLorean can be.*



*Josh could be a pied piper wherever he would go.*



*Josh's missionary journeys took him far and wide, and exposed him to a diversity of people and cultures.*

*Clothing the homeless of Portland with brother Justin and Pastor Paul from India, outside the Portland Rescue Mission at the monthly Night Strike event sponsored by Because People Matter.*



*Joshua's graveside event is described at the bottom of this page.*

## **Order of Service**

November 14, 2020

### **Opening Music**

### **Welcome (Invocation)**

### **Words from Joshua's Parents & Family**

### **Music**

### **Greetings from India (Pastor Paul, Weyman Howard, et al)**

### **Prepared Remarks**

Austin King    Blake Kingsley, Jr.    Matthew Mercer    Andrew Larson

#### **11am**

Sam Coffey  
Andrew J Willis  
Kyle Winkler

#### **1pm**

Max Ma &  
Niki Drakos  
Justine Bauer  
Ben Abrahamson  
P.J. McKinnon

#### **4pm**

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#### **6pm**

Tyler King  
Chris Walker

### **Spontaneous Sharing (open mic)**

### **Closing music**

**COVID-19 Notes:** Masks and social distancing are required. Your thoughts, prayers, words of encouragement, cards and signature in the Guest Book are appreciated! Hugs for the family are not possible at this event due to restrictions imposed upon the venue and for the safety of all guests, but we feel your love and thank you for your presence.

**Graveside Greeting Sunday Nov. 15:** See Mitch & Debbie, on a drop-in basis, 2pm–4pm, at SE 112<sup>th</sup> & Mt. Scott Blvd. Enter Gate 3; then turn left; proceed to the bend. Joshua is buried with his great grandparents (Jeske). Marker pending.