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For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for Him, since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have. - Philipians 1:29-30



Chosen to
SUFFER

Facing the GIANTS

FRONTLINE...

Trials or suffering in the Holy Bible are allowed in the Christian life to teach us a lesson or to train us. We draw important lessons for our living when God allows suffering in our lives. It is to transform our character and conduct. The suffering that we undergo for the sake of Christ develops us and transforms us.

The three kinds of suffering are **1. General sufferings:**

When the people of this world go through such sufferings, it affects all others e.g. (When situations like Covid 19, accidents, or sickness comes it does not show favoritism such as Christians, or any other religious people). Because it is common to all and it is natural. **2. Suffering due to sin:** When we sin against the Lord and experience its consequence, the reason for the suffering is ourselves.

3. Spiritual Suffering: This kind of suffering is essential to all believers. We believers, though we live in this world are not of this world. So the world hates us. If the world had hated Jesus Himself and caused His death, who are we! (John 15: 18, 19). There may be variation in the kind of suffering each believer goes through, the situation may vary, and those who cause that suffering may vary, but the Holy Scriptures clearly tell us that “we will undergo suffering”. But surely it is not God who causes us that suffering but allows satan to do so. We read this in the book of Job. Let’s go ahead in our life of faith with the trust that all sufferings are allowed in our path to make us strong and triumphant. When God gives blessings, riches and joys, we don’t ask the Lord “Why me?” But only when we go through trials, pain, sickness and sorrows, we dare to ask the Lord “Why me?” It is against the Bible. We will be meditating on the topic “Chosen to suffer” in this issue through different perspectives. The Lord strengthens us through His promise when we face the Goliaths in our lives; because, we read in the book of Daniel that He will be with us when we pass through situations like a fiery furnace. When we live for Jesus, we might be destined to face loss, death, etc. Let’s commit not to give up but to go ahead courageously like the men of action. Let’s never forget when we might face general suffering or suffering due to sin or spiritual suffering, that we have an Almighty God with us to help us through it. May God Almighty be more than enough for us in our lives to lead us into triumph! Amen.

- **Mercy Selwyn** (*Communication Department*)



**And the God of all grace,
who called you to His eternal
glory in Christ, after you have
suffered a little while,
will Himself restore you and
make you strong, firm and
steadfast. - 1 Peter 5:10**

**Suffering is nothing
by itself. But suffering shared
with the passion of Christ is
a wonderful gift, the most
beautiful gift, a token of love.
- Mother Teresa**

**Therefore, since Christ
suffered in His body, arm
yourselves also with the same
attitude, because whoever
suffers in the body is done
with sin. As a result, they
do not live the rest of their
earthly lives for evil human
desires, but rather for the will
of God. - 1 Peter 4:1-2**

**Character cannot be
developed in ease and quiet.
Only through experience of
trial and suffering can the
soul be strengthened, vision
cleared, ambition inspired
and success achieved.
- Helen Keller**

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Our Vision:

Reach the unreached Indians with the
Gospel of Jesus Christ!

Our Mission:

Evangelize the nation with the Gospel
of Jesus Christ, serve to transform
communities and share the Vision with
the Indian Churches for their larger
participation.

FMPB serves as an arm of the Church
to plant Churches across the country.

FMPB does saturation evangelism
among various people groups.

FMPB invites Churches, institutions,
families and individuals to pray and
support its work.

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From the General Secretary...

Dear partners in the mission of reaching the un-reached Indians,

Greetings to you all in the everlasting Name of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ.

The parable of Prodigal son has the love and compassion of the father, repentance of the second son and the exclusion of the first son by himself from the joy of repentance. He excluded himself because of his comparison of what the father did for him thus far and what he is doing now for the second son who squandered the entire share of property. The father says in Luke 15:31 "My son" the father said 'you are always with me and everything I have is yours'. You are with me signifies the position and everything I have is yours says the possession of the first son. We the believers are positioned in Christ and possess everything which belongs to God should understand that and involve in the act of restoration and redemption of the lost sinners.

Tamil Nadu Annual Conference: The Tamil Nadu Annual Conference was held in Danishpet, Salem from 18th May to 21st May. Totally 3140 people had registered for the meeting and attended. The Spirit of God spoke to the participants powerfully through His servants. The spirit of prayer descended on the participants on the fasting prayer day to pray for the nation. All glory to God.

Ordination in Amritsar diocese: The Amritsar CNI Diocese Bishop Rt. Rev. Pradeep Kumar Samantary ordained 24 of our missionaries as Deacons on 28th of May 2023 at the Cathedral Church in Amritsar, Punjab. FMPB is thankful to the beloved Bishop for this encouraging step to strengthen our ministry.

Assam visit: In the first week of June, the Secretary Field, Zone and myself visited Assam missionaries and mission fields. The ministry among the Missing people group is growing. We visited Missing villages, congregations and had a meeting with all the missionaries. The visit is highly encouraging.

God's protection: Two of our missionaries and one missionary child were traveling on the ill fated Coromandal Express which got derailed and hit by other train in Odisha. Though 288 people lost their lives, God in His eternal mercy protected our missionaries and child without any injury. Pray for the families who lost their loved ones and breadwinners.



Bihar Visit: On 5th and 6th of June we visited Bihar field missionaries. On 5th a Church built by the Muskon village believers was dedicated for the glory of God. The life transformation happened in the believers is amazing. I was told that the believers met people from the village and decided that no one from the village will drink any alcoholic thing.



Visit of Bishops: 7th of June, Bishop of CNI Patna Diocese Rt. Rev. Francis Hansdak was met by FMPB delegation in Bhagalpur Bishop's office. The relationship between Patna Diocese and FMPB started in 1978 goes stronger still. The Bishop welcomed us very warmly and expressed the Diocese's continuous support to the ministry of FMPB.

On 8th we met the Moderator of Northern Evangelical Lutheran Church and the former Moderator in the Outreach Training Centre in Kairabani, Jharkhand. The meeting was very fruitful and the support of the Church to our ministry is very strong.

Wycliffe India meeting: On 10th of June the President and Executive Director of Wycliffe India met myself and our superannuated Bible Translator missionary Rev. S. Rejendran in the Headquarters. Wycliffe India is a partner with us in Bible Translation. We discussed to strengthen that partnership to provide the Word of God in more languages.

Important meetings and programs in July.

Divisional Heads meeting: The Divisional Head prayer meeting is scheduled on 3rd and 4th July and the planning is scheduled on 5th and 6th July.

Gideons meeting: I have been invited to speak in the Gideons International in India's 6th Tamil Nadu state conference to be held on 7th and 8th July 2023 in Karur. Please uphold me in your prayers that the Lord may use me to serve to His Word.

Gujarat, Godavari region visit: God willing, I will be visiting the Gujarat and Godavari Region of the Central Zone mission fields in the second week of July 2023. Pray that the visit may be a blessing to the ministry.

Dohnavur building dedication: We have been building a prayer centre in Dohnavur, Tamil Nadu on the land donated by two of our prayer group leaders. This centre will be used to conduct prayers and for the stay of our missionary parents who will visit their children studying in Santhosha Vidhyalaya, Dohnavur.

Appointment of Secretaries: The 214th Executive Committee has appointed the following senior missionaries in different important zonal and above responsibilities. All these appointments are effective from 1st July 2023. Please pray for these Brothers and their families.

Name	New position
Rev. Daniel Thomas	Secretary - Tamil Nadu Pondy Mobilization
Rev. Emmanuel Ranjithsingh	Secretary - Northern Zone, Tamil Nadu Mobilization
Rev. John Sundar Singh	Secretary - Chennai Central Mobilization
Rev. Ravikumar	Secretary - Western Zone, Tamil Nadu Mobilization
Rev. Isaac Raja	Secretary - Western Zone, Field
Rev. Ponnusamy	Secretary - Northern Zone

We thank you for your sincere prayers and support to the ministry of FMPB. Remember all the missionaries of FMPB in your prayers at least once in a day.

Your fellow servant in God's Mission



Rev. John Berlin S.



Chosen to **SUFFER**

The verse “I have chosen you” showcases the depth of the relationship we people have with the Lord Almighty. There is no greater joy than knowing that He has chosen us. We are not merely chosen; God has a specific purpose for each of us. He has chosen us to be a light, blessed rulers for nations, or a stream that leads the enslaved ones towards freedom. However, we should never forget that we are also called to strive, as mentioned in Philippians 1:29: “For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him but also to suffer for him,” as suffering is a core part of being chosen.

Through the life of Paul, the disciple, we come to understand that a Christian life is filled with tests and trials, pain and struggles, fear and danger, suffering and torture, loss and lamentation, afflictions and tribulations-and yet, it is irresistible. The words spoken by Jesus and recorded in John 16:33, “In this world you will have trouble.

But take heart! I have overcome the world,” provide reassurance and encourage us to overcome any trouble we may face and lead a life for Him. In 1 Thessalonians 3:3, it is mentioned, “That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.” Through this, Paul clarifies that we are not chosen solely for blessings and other fortunes but also for the distress and trials that accompany the ministry. Paul also provides advice to the Thessalonian Church, which faced troubles due to their faith in Christ, on how to overcome tribulations. The advice is listed below.

Trials - Not to fright but to strengthen:

As the first-generation Christians, “distress” was something wholly new for the believers of the Thessalonian Church. However, these believers stood their ground because Paul taught them that Christ is meant to suffer and rise from the dead, and he proclaimed

that Jesus is the Christ (Acts 17:2,3). In contrast, the thoughts preached in many churches nowadays are centered on blessings, which makes it difficult for believers to hold on to their faith. Therefore, we must also preach about the trials and distress that will come in a life dedicated to Christ, in order to encourage the first-generation believers to withstand such situations.

Paul observes the people of Thessalonica, who have endured distress, and says: "You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. And so, you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore, we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath." Today, the suffering and tribulations faced in spreading the Gospel in mission fields and our neighborhood have significantly increased. Therefore, like Jesus and the Apostles, we must learn to accept trials wholeheartedly.

Paul anticipated that the Thessalonians might weaken due to the trials they were facing. He encouraged them by referencing 1 Thessalonians 2:14: "For you, brothers, have become imitators of the churches of God in Judea that are in Christ Jesus. You suffered from your own countrymen the same things those churches suffered from the Jews." Additionally, in Acts 14:22, he states, "We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." Through these passages, Paul reassured the Thessalonians that trials and hardships were not something new or unique to them. In the context of India, from the time of Thomas, a disciple of Jesus, to the missionaries from other countries, many have faced loss, shame, and even sacrificed their lives. Therefore, Paul encourages believers to never be discouraged, even in the face of being killed, arrested, or marginalized while spreading the Gospel, and to continue with their ministry.

Trials - Not to demolish the vision but to sharpen it:

All the pain, criticism, and trials we face in this world are not meant for Christ. In Judges 16:21, we witness the agony of Samson when the Philistines seized him, gouged out his eyes, brought him to Gaza, and bound him with bronze shackles. He was forced to grind at the mill in prison. We

must be clear and cautious because Samson had to endure pain and shame due to straying from his divine calling. He lost his magnificence by leading a life driven by his own desires, thus undermining God's purpose for him. On the other hand, we see Joseph overcoming tribulations and remaining resolute in his purpose because he believed that the Lord, who controlled his future, was with him. Joseph faced punishment, shame, loss of status, and imprisonment as a consequence of his decision to follow the purpose of his life. Let us also embrace the trials that come our way as we fulfill the Lord's chosen path for us, allowing them to sharpen our vision.

Trials - Not to move away from God but to root in Him:

Lastly, the Christian life is not a playground but a battlefield. In places prone to natural disasters, the roots of trees grow deep and hold firm. Similarly, the faith of a person who undergoes and accepts distress becomes strong and unwavering. Apart from sharing the Gospel, we are also called to be soldiers on the battlefield. From the very first day we put our faith in God, we should be prepared to endure pain and distress without letting go of Him. Missionaries who work for the glory of God have to leave behind their relationships, native land, and immerse themselves

in new cultures with unfamiliar languages, food, and clothing. They must embrace many changes without bitterness, continue their mission despite hunger, sickness, and separation from their young children for the sake of education. They may never return to their place of origin and may even persevere until death in the same place. However, as the works of the Lord our God, we must stand firm and never yield.

As Philippians 3:10 states, one must undergo trials and tribulations to truly know Christ, to experience the power of His resurrection and share in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death, and ultimately attaining the resurrection from the dead. Romans 5:3 also affirms that suffering produces perseverance, strengthens our belief in God, helps us learn His statutes, and enables us to preserve His words. Therefore, as chosen ones, let us strive to learn courage from His words and gain strength through prayer. Let us run the race with patience, fixing our eyes on the One who initiates and perfects our faith, without wavering. Let us also remember to pray for others who are running this race of distress. May the Lord grant us His grace. Amen.

Mr. E.D.A John Dhanraj
Hon. Mobilization Secretay
- Madurai (South).

TAMIL NADU STATE CAMP 2023

**I have
chosen
you.** Haggai 2:23

"I have known you for myself; I set you apart in the world..." echoes echoed throughout the Bethel campus located at the foothills of Servarayan. Every year, the believers who gather to hear God's voice on this visionary land, rejoice in the spirit and fulfill His will, this year again in buses, special vehicles and their own vehicles converged at Bethel in Danishpet. The reception and registration of the Redhills leaders who welcomed with smiling faces and friendly service cheered everyone who came. With the special efforts of our dear Navaneethar Annan, the premises of the gathering and the main hall were richly decorated with thought-provoking paintings and pictures of the people.

The 'Initiation Program' began auspiciously with the melodious music of the Madurai Orchestra. The President Mr. C. Reginald welcomed the special speakers – Director of Bethel and the Organizing Committee with bouquets. The camp's theme is "I have Chosen you!" Haggai 2:23. The program that Navaneethar Annan and his team presented was a great challenge to make this theme easy to understand. "Pen Drive" which contains 10 songs specially prepared for the camp every year, was compiled by the



Secretary of Communications Mrs. Mercy Selwyn, and was dedicated by former General Secretary Rev. I.K. Abraham and Received by Rev. V.T. Johnson. Our missionaries who have left us and have gone to the heavenly abode were remembered with prayer. Retiring missionaries were felicitated with shawls and mementos. This year Pawra believers from Maharashtra, our jailed believers from Uttar Pradesh, Ho believers from Utkal Region, Missing believers from Asom and Jhawda School students from across the country in spectacular cultural attires paraded the eyes and hearts of the 3140 people who attended the camp.

The first message of the opening day was delivered by the former General Secretary Rev. I.K. Abraham challenged the people to live for the God who had chosen them.

After the meals, separate meetings were held for youth, teens and children. 422 youths, 551 teens and 425 children participated. The Asom State Missing tribe believers performed Cultural dance and field sharing in the Adults' meeting after lunch enthralled everyone and encouraged them to pray fervently. The evening Santhiya session was the time of the Lord's great touch. Many were touched by the testimony and message of our Special speaker V.T. Johnson who preached that the Lord who called Zerubbabel and Joshua knew the purpose of choosing them.

On the second day of the camp, was "Fasting Day", Many people of all ages, from children to adults, fasted and prayed with tears for the blessings of the nation and the challenges in the ministry. The ministry sessions with the cultural dance of Pawra, Ho, Chamar, Missing and Kukna believers helped many to realize and praise the glorious work of God in the nation. Not only that, Navaneethar Annan's light and sound program in the evening helped us to realize the dedication in our early ministerial memories and the present-day's needs. At the end of each session an Advisory Committee headed by Mr. A.P. Kanagaraj Annan counselled those who had committed and encouraged them.

During of the third day of the camp, the missionaries shared about the ministry of our swarthicks who carry our ministry to their fellow people and their work conditions, and the people were invited to enthusiastically offer for the monthly salary that we give them through the Samiti. All those who came offered prayerful offerings of Rs.2, 37,680/- and cheque of Rs.35, 000/-, gold ornaments, a pledge money of Rs.27, 81,130/- and extended their support for the smooth running of the ministry. They discussed the need to form new prayer groups this year with supporters who came from their regions by district, to find second-level leaders, and to engage youth and entrepreneurs in the ministry. The whole-hearted involvement of many was excellent beyond expectation.



In the afternoon, the representatives from various specialized ministries in our movement like (Navodhya, SCAN, youth, Teens and Children ministries), shared their ministry experiences and helped those who participated in the camp to praise God by knowing how our movement is doing specialized ministries according to each age group. The general secretary Rev. S. John Berlin shared God's Word during the final evening Sandhya session. Many rededicated themselves with tears. The last day of the camp was concluded with a holy communion at 4.30 am in our Tamil Nadu state camp. 18 pastors assisted in serving the Holy Communion. Rev. V.T. Johnson's message inspired many and helped them commit to live zealously for God.

In this camp, youth, teens and children set up prayer station and prayed on the prayer days. 55 children fasted and prayed on that day, which amazed us even more. It was a blessing to have 72 counsellors and 20 volunteers at the youth meeting who prayed and counselled throughout the 3 days of the camp. As a result, 63 people accepted Jesus as their personal saviour, 168 new prayer groups were formed, and 48 youth dedicated themselves to full-time work. We received Rs. 26,210/- as donation and Rs.3, 31,000/- as pledge for building a children's hostel. In the Teen's group, 92 prayer groups were formed and 28 dedicated themselves to full-time

ministry. It was beautifully conducted by 36 new volunteers along with 31 volunteers who were already in teen's ministry. Out of which we received Rs.7, 732/- as donation. 84 children accepted Christ as their personal Savior for the first time in the children's meetings. 24 devoted themselves to prayer for the nation in groups and 8 to full-time ministry. Special counselling session was conducted to parents to handle their children. Rs.13, 367/- was collected as donation from the children and they received 21 new Hundies (Piggy bank).

When we give all glory to the Lord Almighty because He has made this year's state camp to be very blessed one. We cannot forget

the people behind the success of this camp: The Convener Mr. Devaraj, Co-Convenors Mr. Daniel Arulraj and Mr. Alan & Mr. Dhanasingh, Treasurer Mr. Prince Muthuraj, Joint Treasurer Mr. Selvaraj and everyone else who did a great job. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the South Chennai team who took care of the food and to all the full-time staff, Honorary Mobilization Secretaries, Prayer Group Leaders and Bethel Administration who worked so hard to make the camp a great success. The one who has chosen us has done great thing indeed in this camp also!

- Mr. S. Emmanuel Ranjit Singh,
Secretary, Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry Division.

Ordination program of our missionaries

By the immense grace of God, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Pradeep Kumar Samantaroy, Bishop of CNI Amritsar Diocese ordained 24 of our missionaries as deacons on 28th of May 2023 at St. Andrews Cathedral Church in Amritsar. Before the ordination service, a pre-ordination retreat was conducted at BIT College at Batala from 24th to 27th May 2023. The retreat was well planned and all the delegates were spiritually blessed by the sessions. 28th of May is the day of Pentecost and a significant day in the Church calendar. On that occasion this ordination program was conducted and Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. P K Samantaroy laid his hands on the members and ordained them. The families of the Ordained missionaries also attended the joyous occasion of the service. Our General Secretary Rev S. John Berlin brought greetings from FMPB to the Diocese and felicitated the Bishop and the Office Bearers and leaders of the Diocese. FMPB expresses its thanks and gratitude to the Beloved Bishop and the church leaders for this great act of partnership which will enhance the ministry of spreading the gospel.

- Rev. Ramamuni J.B.V. Prasad, Mobilization Secretary - Andhra Pradesh





A North Andhra FMPB Regional Conference



By the grace of our Almighty God, Mission '23 A North Andhra FMPB Regional Conference was conducted in the lush green surroundings of the Araku Valley hill station, located 110 km away from Visakhapatnam from 18th-20th May 2023

It brought together members from four districts: East Godavari, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram, and Srikakulam. We give praise and thanks to God for the spiritual input, missionary vision imparting and also for keeping the participants safe and healthy throughout the three days and for granting them safe travels.

A total of 281 delegates attended the camp, including 60 youth, 35 children, and 186 adults. The camp featured three tracks of programs, running simultaneously for adults, youth, and children.

The resource persons for the adult and youth tracks were, Rev. Vijay P Isaac, the Divisional Secretary of South India Mobilization, FMPB; Rev. RJBV Prasad and Mrs. Jacinth Prasad, Regional Secretaries of AP and Telangana; and Rev. CH. John and Mrs. Veni, missionaries from Assam working among the Missing people group; Dr. Solomon Raju, a professor at Andhra University; Bro. Ravi Rathod and Sudha, missionaries from Bihar working among the Musahar people group. In addition, Mr. Jayaraj, and Mr. Himakar were also involved in the youth program. The resource persons for the children's program were Mr. Jonathan, Mrs. Mercy, and their team from the Child Evangelism Fellowship. All the programs were conducted effectively for the glory of GOD!

With God's amazing help, Ziegenbalg Missionary's biography video was dubbed into Telugu with the help and sponsorship of FMPB supporter's family and was screened in the camp, which had a great impact! The role of local FMPB leaders and FMPB Youth Core Team in the arrangements of the camp is tremendous! Glory to God!

By God's grace, 6 youths expressed their desire to become missionaries, 58 members (31 youth and 27 adults) decided to establish a prayer group in their homes. 69 members (31 youth and 38 adults) decided to pray regularly for the ministry of FMPB. 4 members decided to sponsor missionaries and 6 members (1 youth and 5 adults) decided to sponsor children's education.

Furthermore, 23 members pledged to contribute to FMPB regularly. 29 members committed to collect money in SCAN boxes. 2 members pledged to donate for Church construction. 38 members (21 youth and 17 adults) made the decision to actively participate in local activities organized by FMPB.

We give all the glory and honor to our Almighty God who worked wonders in the camp and made it a blessing for all the attendees.

- Shanti Ramyaraju, FMPB, Visakhapatnam.

Basti Day



A teacher from a small village called Parappuvilai in Thickanamide of Kanyakumari district Mr. Hilkiiah was introduced to Friends Missionary Prayer Band by his co-worker Mr Navaneether Annan. Mr. Hilkiiah didn't stop with hearing about FMPB ministries but began to pray along with Navaneether Annan with the reports that they received from the first missionary of FMPB Mr. Harris Hilton. Mr. Hilkiiah and his wife Mrs. Daisy Hilkiiah attended the FMPB

Gideonites meet at Pannavilai Tuticorin district. He came to know about the challenging life of the Scotland missionary John G Paton who worked among the cannibals of New Hebrides Islands of the South Pacific seas. He heard the voice of God calling him for full time ministry through the challenging messages of Mr. P. Samuel and Mr. Emil Jebasingh. Obeying God's call both, Mr. & Mrs. Hilkiiah committed their life to God to serve as missionaries to North India. Mr. Hilkiiah and his family were sent on their way to Uttar Pradesh, Basti on 19th July 1971 from Tuticorin. They reached Basti on 23rd July 1971 which is the remarkable day in the history of FMPB, when a base was opened to keep their foot in order to extend God's Kingdom in North Indian soils. This day is also celebrated as Basti day by the family of FMPB.

Staying in the old building of Ceylon India General Mission, Mr. Hilkiiah's family started sowing the seeds of the Gospel among the people group called Chamar. The Hilkiiah couple had the habit of waking up at 4 a.m. everyday and seeking God's guidance for the ministry they had to do on that day. Standing on the knee for souls was the secret behind Annan's successful ministry. He strongly believed the Scripture which says "the Word of God won't return void without yielding much fruits" (Is. 55: 11). So his unique aspect of the ministry of is that no one would escape without hearing the Gospel who crosses his path. They should either receive a tract or should hear about the love of the Lord Jesus Christ. During his train journeys he used to go to all the compartments to distribute tracts and share

God's love. He proclaimed the Gospel in Schools, government offices and even in court premises.

Mr. Hilkieh's perseverance and his hard work in the Hindi heart land yielded good results. God the Holy Spirit touched the life of Arun Chowbe a criminal, a thug and a murderer after several meeting with him by giving him a tract which he tore, then later he received it, received a New Testament in the next meeting. He was the first fruit of FMPB in North India. Rev. Hilkieh never got tired of riding his bi-cycle, visiting many villages to preach the Gospel. Peter Hariram of Bangarh village accepted Jesus and later became a missionary of FMPB.

Today in Basti we have 2 big Churches 8 congregations where the people gather in small houses and worship the Lord. From 1971 till today we have around 1261 believers in Basti. The greatest challenge today in the Basti ministry is to bring back those for backslidden in their faith and also to share Gods word with the people in Basti. There is 1 missionary family and 2 local evangelists ministering.

We read in (1 Cor 16:9) "because a great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me". Let's continue to pray that the missionaries here may use the opportunity to fill that land with His Word and also to be protected from those who rise up against them.

- Communication Dept.

TRAIL BLAZERS



James Oliphant Fraser

James O Fraser was born in London in 1886. He had four brothers and sisters. His parents divorced when Fraser was a teen. He never wanted to be a missionary but rather wanted to be a great engineer and became one. But his mother Ann Fraser always wanted one of her children's to be a missionary. One of the books James Fraser read changed his life forever. It was titled "don't say that" written by a missionary who was preaching the Gospel in China. As he was praying one day he got the call of God to preach the Gospel in China and dedicated his life to be a missionary. He came down and told his mother

she gladly accepted and praised God for hearing her prayers.

He started his work in the Southwest border of China near the Burmese territory in a place called Denguve. He was only 22 years old when he started his ministry. After a long journey he reached the BAO Shan mountain range. There were more than a lakh tribes living there.

The first Chinese tribes are the Lisu tribes who lived in the slopes of the mountains and were called "the monkey men" by the Chinese. They were a Tibeto-Burmese minority people who lived in the high mountains along the borders of China and Burma. They had never heard the Gospel before. There hadn't been a missionary there until then. James started to learn their language and preached the Gospel in their mother tongue. Fraser is best known for the alphabet he created for the Lisu, often referred to as the Fraser alphabet. It was designed for the purpose of translating the New Testament into the Lisu language. In 1992, the Chinese government officially recognised the Fraser alphabet as the official script of the Lisu language. He wrote to his mom that he loved doing what he did as a missionary and translated the whole of the New Testament. In a letter to his mother he mentioned that Christians in his town could also become

missionary supporters through prayer and money through which they too can become an effective instrument of Christ in His Work. He dressed up like one of them and slowly learnt their language. The Lisu people burnt the idols they were worshipping and turned to Christ. He became very friendly with them by adopting their lifestyle. About 600 people belonging to 129 families accepted Christ. A Church was built at a place called Matilde hill. Fraser was known for his ability to organise the people into strong indigenous Churches that became models for church-planting. He maintained a consistent policy of training the Lisu converts (usually whole households and whole villages at a time) to be self-supporting and to pay for their own books and Church buildings. He married Roxie Dymond the daughter of a Methodist missionary couple at the age of 43 in 1929. They were blessed with two daughters Kaitlyn and Elyn. He was attacked by pneumonia. Before the diagnosis it had affected his brain and he suffered high fever for about 2 days before he lost consciousness. He ministered among these people for 30 years. On September 25 1938 at the age of 52 he left this world to be with the lord. When an engineer gave his life to the lord he used James as an effective instrument to transform the lives of the Lisu tribes.

BALHARAMAU (MUNGISAPUR) CHURCH HISTORY

(PUKHRAYAN FIELD,
KANPUR REGION,

Written By

MRS. AGNES EDWARD



GENERAL

Balharamau is a medium size village located in Bhognipur Tehsil of Ramabai Nagar district, Uttar Pradesh with total 149 families residing. The Balharamau village has population of 812 people as per the Population Census 2011. Balharamau village has higher literacy rate compared to Uttar Pradesh. In 2011, literacy rate of Balharamau village was 81.40 % compared to 67.68 % of Uttar Pradesh. As per constitution of India and PanchyatiRaaj Act, Balharamau village is administrated by Sarpanch (Head of Village) who is

elected representative of village. Schedule Caste (SC) constitutes 6.65 % of total population in Balharamau village. The village Balharamau currently doesn't have any Schedule Tribe (ST) population.

BEGINNING

Though the Church is at Balharamau village, this Church is familiar among the missionaries as Mungaisapur Church after the name of its sub-center. The distance between Mungisapur and Balharamau is only 1Km. The Pukhrayan mission field was opened in January 1982. Mr. Philip Asirvatham and Mrs. Gnanam Philip were the Pioneer missionaries of Pukhrayan field. In Dec 1979, Mr. Victor Packiaraj and Mrs. Daisy Victor started their pioneering ministry at Pipri village which was under Kalpi mission field. Pipri was only 5 Km from Pukhrayan. Pipri

village came under the jurisdiction of Pukhrayan field after its inception in Jan 1982. As they were only few kilometers away Mr. Victor Packiaraj and Mr. Philip Asirvatham families did their pioneering ministry together at Pukhrayan.

A sub-center was opened in July 2006 Mr. N Rajadurai and local evangelist, Mr. Mohanlal and families were placed there. A Banjara community man named, Dharmender Nayak from Mungisapur who goes from place to place selling goods, came to know about Christ in one of the North Eastern states. When he came back home, he came in contact with the local evangelist, Mr. Mohanlal who was also staying at the same locality. He heard much more about Christ and accepted the Lordship of Jesus Christ. He and his family confirmed their faith on Lord Jesus Christ at Mungisapur. A worship was started at the rented house of Mr. Mohanlal at Mungisapur in 2006. After the transfer of local evangelist, Mr. Mohanlal in May 2007, Mr. Nand Kishore who was the in-charge for Baraur sub-center conducted the worship at Mungisapur at the house of Dharmender Nayak during the week days. Some residents from Siloula village, Mr. Ram Sharan. Mr. Nathuram and Mr. Dinesh got the knowledge about Jesus Christ, through the radio programmes. This trio came to know about the Church at Baraur and they went to the Baraur Church on a Sunday.

Mr. Ram Saran from Siloula village narrates his testimony:



"I am Ram Saran from Siloula village. I had been hearing about Jesus Christ for one year through a programme in my transistor. I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour and I wanted to attend worship in a Church. I enquired some people and got to know about the Baraur Church. Pastor, Nand Kishore conducted the worship at Baraur. I went to the Church and I openly confessed my faith. Every week I attended the worship at Baraur. In 2008, worship was started at my village, Siloula in the garden of one of the believers. Pastor Nand Kishore used to lead the worship. After a year the believers from Siloula joined the worship at Mungisapur."

CHURCH GROWTH

At Laduapur and Taranpur villages regular night meetings were conducted. As a result many people were added to the flock of Jesus in 2006. The believers from Taranpur, Laduapur, Bedamau, Siloula etc. who were attending the Church at Baraur, joined the Mungisapur Church as it was nearby. The testimonies of the Mungisapur congregation believers which depict the Church growth are given below.

Amit Masih:



"I am Amit Masih from Inguwara village. I was attracted by the sound of the Dholak from a satsung at the house of a believer conducted by Local evangelist, Rajender. Followed by it a, film show programme was conducted. I watched the film and I felt that that teaching was good to be followed. So I attended the Sunday worship at Mungisapur Church. My mother opposed me and blamed the Christians of religious conversions. I too felt that it was true about the Christians. The pastor clearly explained me that it was a myth told about the Christians but truly it was only the conversion of heart. He insisted me to read the Bible and to know the truth. So I started to read the Bible and I understood that Jesus is the only God and He is the creator. For one year I kept hearing the teachings of Jesus Christ and read and understood the Word of God clearly. I accepted Christ and I openly confessed my faith on Jesus on 21.8.2014 at the Mungisapur Church. Earlier, I used to steal and use abusive language. After accepting Christ, God changed me. I was the first sole believer from my family. My siblings hurled insults on me for my faith. My eldest brother who was working in a factory at Rajasthan suddenly developed health issues in his rectum. The doctors gave up hope

after a complication in the treatment. But I kept on insisting my brother to put his faith on the Lord and I prayed for him. God heard the prayers and he accepted Christ. A surgery was done and he became completely alright. Also my elder sister too had problem in the Uterus lost to babies one after the other and died in 2012. Another sister of mine married him and faced the same problem. Then I realized that it is the work of the devil and invited her to Church. But she followed certain Baba and did many poojas in my house which I opposed. Then when I took her to the Church she was healed. She accepted the Lord only when her daughter became sick and was taken to Church and was healed. Now my whole family has come to saving knowledge of the Lord."

THE CHURCH LAND AND CHURCH CONSTRUCTION

In 2006 the Balharamau Church land was purchased. The size of the land is 4 biswa. Rev. N Rajadurai was the Pukhrayan field missionary they purchased the land. The Balharamau congregation members are from the following villages: Silaula, Gauriyapur, Nandhujali, Inguware, Derapur, Ashapurwa, Laduwapur, Taranpur, Gandhi, Balharamau and Mungisapur. All of them are from Sankuwar, Kuril and Chamar communities. The name of the Church is Jan Kalyan Prathana Bhavan. The Foundation was laid on 21.6.2008 by the then Northern Zonal Sec. Rev T Ponnusamy and Mr. N Rajdurai the Pukhrayan field missionary then. It is a Pucca Church of 40X25 ft.

Believer, Ram Swaroop from Taranpur contributed generously towards Mungisapur Church construction. The relatives of the landlord who sold the Mungisapur Church land opposed the Church construction and they filed a case at the police station. Through prayers the problem was settled amicably. This Church was dedicated for the glory of God on 16.10.2010. An eighteen member team from Kanyakumari district of Tamil Nadu under the leadership of Mr. Bright and Mr. Charles were present on the day of dedication. The Central Regional Secretary Rev N. Rajadurai, and other missionaries from the central region and the Mungisapur believers were present. Mr. Robert Ponnusamy was the Pukhrayan field missionary during the time of Church construction.

MIRACLES AND IMPORTANT EVENTS FROM MUNGISAPUR CONGREGATION

On April 2012 at Mungisapur, a believer baby boy got lost for some days and through prayers he was found. On February 2013 at Mungisapur, believer Mr. Ram Sanai was seriously sick and he passed away was confirmed dead by the Physician came back alive after a time of prayer by the local evangelist. The believers who were present were astonished and got strengthen in faith. On July 2013, a believer, Kamlesh whose land was illegally occupied by few people was recovered through prayer. Praise God. In May 2014 due to heavy rains in the Mungisapur area, the farmers lost their

crops, but the believers crops were protected and gave a good yield that year. On December 2017, Pradeep from Mungisapur was protected in an accident even when the car was totally damaged. God protected him miraculously. Mrs. Rekha from Gauriyapur village got a child through prayer after 12 years of marriage. Mr. Ram Sawaroop from Mungisapur Chauraha got poor quality water before but after he accepted Christ and confessed his faith on Jesus in 2018, the taste of the water turned like a mineral water.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION

At Gauriyapur, Nandhujali and Taranpur villages small group prayer meetings are conducted. The Church elder, Mr. Ram Swaroop and family accompany the local evangelist for the outreach ministry. Holy Communion service is conducted once in a month. 15 to 20 people partake in the Holy Communion. 25 to 35 people attend the Sunday service every week. The Sunday service is led by the local evangelist. The total strength of the Mungisapur Church is nearly 500. Many of them have deserted the faith due to sickness, fear of the society and culture.

Prayer points:

1. For the missionary who takes care of this Church to bring more souls for the Lord.
2. All the backslidden believers to resume back to the faith.
3. More number of believers to worship the Lord in this Church.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Aliyakim Jena
Mr. Haramohan Prabhu Das
Mr. Jubaraj Bardhan, Mr. Henry K.
Mrs. Deepika Aliyakim
Mr. Sanjay Kumar Beero
Mrs. Princess Rositta Lakshmanan
Mrs. Jothi Nirmala Pushparaj
Mr. Manoj Kumar Pani
Mrs. Jagadeeswari Balaji
Mr. Dinesh Kumar, Mr. Arun Ghanta
Mrs. Urbasi Digal

JAMMU

Narot:

Jeewer Joeswa & Priya Devi

Praise God: Gospel was preached to 1160 persons. 3 confessed their faith in the Lord. 14 satsangs, 19 night meetings were conducted. New worship groups were started in Jamilchak village, where 3 families are attending the service. Sherya a two year was able to walk when prayed for. Vicky and Pooja were delivered from the effect of black magic when the missionaries prayed for them. Pathras was delivered from the suicidal thoughts when our missionaries counseled and prayed with him.

Pray: For the missionaries who are learning Punjabi and Dogri to be

able to master the language. For Mohit and Urmila to be blessed with children. Manoj and Ruby who lost 2 infants to be comforted and to be blessed with children and Reena Walkoi too. Lucky to be delivered from drug addiction. Samaria to be healed from mental illness.

HIMACHAL PRADESH

Rampur:

Doujapao Guite & Florence Lamvung

Praise God: 795 people were reached with the Word of God in 9 new villages. 3 of them accepted Christ and were added to Christ fold. For the 5 new contacts who have shown interest in the Gospel to experience salvation in Christ alone. Nepali believer Manju who was unable to speak, is now recovering slowly through prayer.

Pray: For our new contacts to grow in the Word of God and to abide by the Word. For Shivilala and Sunmani to have a healthy relationship with the Lord. For Sunita to attend the Church regularly. Our youth believers to live a life of purity. For those believers who left our Congregation and joined a nearby Congregation not to have any negative influence amongst our believers. For believers to exhibit spiritual maturity and loyalty to the Lord and to the organization.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Praba Kamali Godwin
Mrs. Vasava Hansa Thomasbhai
Mrs. Jharana Parichha Bipin

Reckong Peo:

A. Sankar & Ruth Mary; Paplu & Kalpana Malik

Praise God: 695 people were newly reached with the Gospel and 3 became believers and were added to the fold. For the open doors to minister in 10 new villages. 5 families in the Reckong Peo Church and 2 families in the Moorang Church are newly added to the Congregation. For Bagath Chand our believer who had backslidden, has now repented and is attending the Church.

Pray: For the new believer's training sessions to be conducted in Sangla, Moorang and Reckong Peo Congregations. For new contacts from this field to accept Christ as their personal Saviour. Our desire to have at least 9 people added to the fold of Jesus to be fulfilled. For our youth to get good jobs to support their families. For the deliverance

of Bhim, Jagat and Dhanraj from an evil spirit possession.

PUNJAB

Bathinda:

Sanjib Anand & Prastuta

Praise God: 2020 new people heard the Gospel in 6 Villages. 100 New Testaments were distributed among the people. Outreach Satsang programs were conducted in 3 villages. Lakveer Singh and his wife attempted to commit suicide because of an evil torment, but mercifully God saved them. My father Pr Satya Anand suffered a heart attack and underwent an open heart surgery and on bed rest is recovering well. For our 12 member committee formed for our Mour Mondri Church.

Pray: For the vision to reach out to 2000 people through Satsang, Film Ministry and Outreach Mission trips to be fulfilled. To be able to open a new Congregation in Bathinda city, Talwandi Sabo, Goniana & Phul Areas. For Bucho Mandi group men to get proper jobs to be able to support their family. For Puja to be healed from her mental sickness and her parents to be strong in their faith.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Karunakaran K.
Mrs. Princess Nagomi Victor

Sangrur:
Gimbal & Birari

Praise God: For enabling us to start a children's ministry in Kanjila village. For Rekha Rani who turned back to Jesus after 7 years of backslidden life. Her husband who was separated for 7 years also was united with Rekha. For Surinder Pal who was delivered from his addiction to alcohol is now testifying in the Church for the Glory of God. For the open doors to minister prevailing at Phulergidi vililage.

Pray: For the night meetings to be started at Kanjila and Mongolwal villages. Rekha a backslidden believer is suffering from a lack of blood in her system due to some unknown sickness to recover soon. For Happy a teenager who broke his leg in an accident to recover well. For Ajay whose kidneys are damaged due to his addiction to alcohol may find healing and deliverance. For the deliverance of a 3 year old boy whose family is a new contact from an evil spirit which torments him.

HARYANA

Jeevan Nagar:

Aliyakim Jena & Deepika

Praise God: For the people group Rai Sikh taking interest and coming to our Sunday worship Service. Sardar Jagrup Singh has accepted Christ and his son and grandsons also following his footsteps. 320 new people heard the Gospel through village outreach programmes and Satsung Programmes. 2 Small groups for prayer fellowships was started in Bhodoliyawali and Dilip Nagar villages. 3 Soul Winners Training Programme was conducted in Jeevan Nagar field which helped the believers to have a burden to share about Jesus to their relatives, family members and neighbours.

Pray: For the people to accept Jesus through film Shows, night meets and Satsung programmes. For the people groups of Balmiki and Odd Rajputs who show more response to the Gospel when it is shared to them. For the people who are addicted to drugs and alcohol in the Santh Nagar Sub Centre to experience true deliverance in Christ. For Jetha Ram diagnosed with cancer in the past 3 months to experience healing. For believer Gurpreet Singh to be able to find a suitable Christian girl as a life partner. For God's protection to our evangelists, believers and volunteer's families from this intense summer heat.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Laudsi Dyles Arulmony

Mr. Satya Prakash

Mrs. Amojita Binit Prasad

Kalanwali:

Vijayakumar & Jebala

Praise God: 1 new village and 200 people were reached. 5 New Testaments were distributed. 12 night meetings and 3 children's program were conducted. More than 100 people from Gadrana village heard the Gospel for the first time through outreach Satsang program. Drug addicts from Kalanwali village broke into the Church, but with God's grace believers were alerted before any damage but the thieves escaped. Santosh Kaur from Salamkhera was healed from breathing problems after praying in Odhan Church with the believers.

Pray: For Chinder to be brave and to have peace, because she is facing opposition from her family for her faith in Christ. For the worship groups in Gadrana road, Dadu road and Tilokewala to be regularized.

The plots on either side of the Asir village belongs to Dera baba and panchayat where mass meetings are conducted. Recently, Dera baba is working to use the Panchayat land for other religious purpose. This issue must be resolved by Sarpanch without any problem.

Tosham:

John Davidson & Esther

Praise God: 1 person was added into His fold. Believers attended the believers training camp and were enriched with the truth. Savita's son was saved from tractor accident thrice. Prinyanshu was healed from pneumonia. Got new contact from Dhamana, Garanpura, and Kirawar village.

Pray: For the believers who have accepted Jesus Christ must confess their faith boldly. Dharamveer, Babulal, Mamta, Jogindar, Ajay, Jamuna, Sattu Ram and Sukhmendar, Shanti, Suresh Amarsingh, Happy, Pradeep, Kamalesh, Balwan families to boldly confess their faith in the Lord. Joginder, Balwan, Pradeep, Rajpaul, Pappu and Bansi to be delivered from drug and alcohol addiction. Meenakshi to be healed from Diabetes.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Puspanjali Dhrubaraj
Mrs. Nila Hasda Murmu
Mrs. Medenki Srinivasa Rao
Mrs. Devi Rani Jaybeer Singh
Mrs. Subila Vinu, Mr. Shivshankar
Mrs. Kiran Devi Akhilesh
Mrs. Digumarthi Prasanthi
Mrs. Pramila Singh Limma
Miss. Hanna Singh

UTTARAKHAND

Nanak Matta: Siva kumar & Susila Marak

Praise God: 3 new villages were reached with the Gospel. 120 people were met with the Gospel and 3 confessed their faith in Jesus Christ. 22 New Testaments and 3 Bibles were distributed. Agam Joth from Dohradam village was miraculously healed from pneumonia. Ranjinder Kaur ranked school 1st in H.S.L.C exam. Puran Singh from Dohradam was released from false case.

Pray: For Keval Singh, Archana, Darshan Singh and Jittan Kaur to be delivered from the possession

of evil spirits. Mahendra Singh and Manjeet Kaur to accept Jesus. Healing of Satimadar Singh from high fever, blood infection and furuncles in his body. Olvin from Nausan village to be employed.

Dineshpur: Ramasamy Jerome & Antoni Rajam

Praise God: Gospel was preached in 1 village and 30 persons have heard it for the first time. 10 New Testaments were distributed. 5 Satsangs and 2 night meetings were conducted. 3 cysts in Krishna Johendher uterus got vanished by prayer and without treatment. Dharampal and Jangeer Kaur's families from a terrible accident. Sandeep Kaur was delivered from depression through prayer. Jagdev Singh got a good job through prayer.

Pray: Rajrani from Alagdevi to be healed from pneumonia. Ashok and Sangeetha's family to have peace in the family that they lost because of their daughter. Hardeep to be delivered from alcoholism and to stop abusing his wife. Princy a 3 months old to be healed from boils in the body and Saritha's son from infection in the bone.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Mabel Florence Samuel
Mrs. Tekam Sangita Sunil Kumar
Mrs. Tekam Sunita Srinivasa
Mrs. Salomi Hansda

RAJASTHAN

Hanumangarh:

Raju Naik & Jhansi Bhai

Praise God: For the Gospel meetings and night meetings conducted in 18 different villages where 385 people heard the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. For the one soul who was added to the fold of Christ. Sonu Sing who was tormented by an evil spirit was released from his bondage. A newly married couple Nancy and Mukesh accepted the Lord as their personal Saviour.

Pray: For the people who heard the Word of God to respond in faith by the working of the Holy Spirit. For Geetha a believer to have a safe delivery of her baby. The Lord to help out Sumithra and Muninder having to battle out many problems as a family. For our local Evangelist Dharshan and his family to be faithful in serving the Lord.

Ajitgarh:

Jaybeer singh & DeviRani

Praise God: 2 villages and 370 people were reached with the Gospel. 300 New Testaments and a Bible were distributed. Meena and Durga's family accepted Jesus as their Savior. Chanda is sharing the word of God very boldly with others and also preaches the Gospel. Saroj had a normal delivery; this miracle made her husband to believe in Christ.

Pray: For the people who heard the Gospel for the first time to accept Jesus as their Savior. Rajkumar's family to be delivered from evil spirits and to have peace in their family. For Durga and Meena's family to accept Jesus Christ as their persona Savior. Jitender to overcome his habit of drinking alcohol.



Lame went praising the Lord!!

Jindal Kerketta of 45 years from Bendajore of Ludeg field in Chhatishgargh is a new believer. He is coming to church for 2 months. Since he was paralysed and could not walk somebody had to carry him to the Church. God heard our prayers and now he is coming to Church without anybody's help. Praise God!





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Jane Amutha Iraipitchai

Mr. Chittaranjan Tandy

Mr. Deepratna

Mrs. Dipika Rani Pani

Samaraniya:

**Meenu Adepta &
Rampuram Peddacka**

Praise God: Gospel was shared to 850 persons. 1 village was reached with the Gospel. 20 New Testaments and 2 Bibles were distributed. 6 Bible study, 4 Gospel meetings were conducted. Field level family meetings and youth meetings were conducted. Sunil was delivered from evil possession so their whole family is attending the Sunday service.

Pray: For the believers who move as migrants to various places to grow in the Lord. For a hand pump to be fitted in Rajkeda and Seekari villages. For Nonsingh's wife to be healed of mental problem. For an open door in Swater and Krishangan villages for the Gospel. For the Church elders Kasrubhil, Ramsingh

Bilala and Redhe Barela to lead their congregation as per the guidance of the Lord.

UTTAR PRADESH

Gonda Home:

**Omprakash Gupta &
Tumpa Chowdary**

Praise God: New groups of people from different villages are coming to the faith because of personal evangelism by the believers among their relatives. The Railway Scouts team is planning to give scouts training to our hostel children for their betterment. For the safety and protection, the Lord placed upon our hostel family.

Pray: For the hostel children who have attended Church activities in the summer vacation, must live according to the truth they had heard. Some of the villages where we minister have only one or two Christian families. Pray that these families may be living witnesses for Jesus in their villages. Our Hostellers parents would grow in the habit of Bible reading and prayer. For our Gonda Land Case pending in the Lucknow High Court and God should guide the advocate Nagh.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Bright Jeyakumar C.
Mr. Bidush Kumar Nayak
Mrs. Prabhashini Pawan Kumar

Jhinjhak:

**Samarendra Singh &
Sushmita**

Praise God: 180 people were reached with the Gospel in 2 new villages. 4 became believers and were added to the fold. The Lord helped us to distribute 100 New Testaments to those who were interested to receive. 4 persons from the Kapasi village have accepted Christ and are added to the fold of believers. 8 persons are newly attending the Church service from Jhinjhak, Rasulabad and Rura Congregations. A seekers meet was conducted in Kapasi village in which 12 people attended and were blessed.

Pray: For the children who attended our summer VBS classes and the 90 teachers who were trained for ministry to grow in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and be disciples for the Lord. For our believers - Nitin kumar, Ranu, Nathuram, Bijay Kumar, Anjali

and Abhisekh to receive healing from the Lord for various ailments. For our outreach ministry team to minister in one spirit and accord.

Kaimgang:

**Ebenezer G. Sam &
Jebarani**

Praise God: For the blessed VBSs in Kampil, Ijoure, Iyyapur, Lalpur and Batpura villages. The snacks were provided from the local offerings. For the new contact at Etah. For our youth believers Sukdevi and Rajveer who support us in our ministry. For Pranci who received healing from lumps in her body and she became a living witness. Our Sunday classes in Kampil and Ijoure village were renewed and strengthened through the VBS.

Pray: For Anuj and Manikchand to get proper jobs and overcoming the effects of black magic on them. For Rakhidevi, Poonam, Vandana, Gomti, Sunita of Kampil and Roshini, Chandini to publically confess their faith in Christ. Many of our local girls believe in Christ but afraid to confess their faith due to their prevailing village cultures. Our believer Santendh to overcome the effect of witchcraft against him and to grow in his small business. For a suitable land to be available to build a new Church in this field.



MADHYA PRADESH

Chiriya:

Mahendran & Pushpam

Praise God: 463 people were reached in 3 new villages. 2 new members accepted the Lord as their personal Saviour. 38 believers participated in the fasting prayer at Semmalkot Church. 120 people were spiritually blessed with the Word of God in the 2 days Believers Camp In Kari Church and Bajar Khoda Church. Orju was miraculously saved from a poisonous snake bite in her field. Mahesh received divine protection from a jeep accident. 3 Casual Volunteers joined the ministry as full time Evangelists to be used mightily by the Lord.

Pray: For Kailash, Sonu, Paali and Sheela to be delivered from an evil spirit possession. Titu who has backslidden, should come back

to faith in Christ. For 21 year old Saitul has committed her life for full time ministry. The Lord should fulfil His plans concerning her in the missionary work.

Guna:

Satheesh & Sharmila

Praise God: 2 new villages were reached and 1000 people were met. 12 new believers were added unto His fold. 1 women's program and 9 children's programs were conducted. Bible study groups were started in Pipalkedi, Nagera, Gati and Amroi villages. Rahabai from Mohanpur regained her eyesight through continues prayer. Neerabai was cured from sever fever. Neersingh was delivered from addiction to alcohol.

Pray: For the backslidden believers to return back to the fold of Jesus. For the healing of Rakesh and Sivaraj from TB. For Pearsingh to refrain from being a hurdle in the ministry. Chandraban, Vansingh and Vishal to be delivered from drinking habits. For peace in Jadiya family who's new born baby passed away..



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Devika Kiruba Kullu
Mrs. Binita Toppo Paulus
Mr. Malla Vidyasagar
Mr. Jagmohan Singh

Pansemal: Sanjeeb Andrap & Swarnalata

Praise God: 11 confessed their faith in God. A two year old girl woke up, by her parent's prayer, after being unconscious for half an hour when she had fallen off the bed. Rakesh and Limbah Bai are keen to hear the word of God. Shohan, 18 year old boy, is now healthy and healed after being mentally unstable for 2 years, through prayers.

Pray: For the Vision 2030 to be achieved. The planned programs to be executed without hurdles. Missionaries are needed to work in Pansemal field. Nanaji, who is opposing the ministry to taste the love of God. For the safety and health of the missionaries.

Niwali: Channamallappa & Roopa

Praise God: 5 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. 315 persons heard the Gospel for the first time. 15 New Testaments were distributed. Outreach programs were done at Bedada and Tinchagaon and Hirkrade and Varlyapani and Tangada and Mohu . 3 families in Wazar, 4 families in Gholyapani, 2 families in Kunjari and 2 families in Pichodi were got during the weekly worship. 109 persons in Borili, 23 in New Sakalgat, 39 in Patalyapaly, 44 in Sarpunchpalya and 26 in Varlyapani watched Jesu film. Bajan progaras were conducted in 4 places with the help of believers.

Pray: For a program where the believers will confess their faith to be conducted in Nakatirani, Balsmud, Khampani and Wazar; may God speak with the believers and help them to be bold. For a local evangelist to join because the ministry is growing in this field. Renchu Bhai to be delivered from evil spirit because he gets pain in the alternate legs when the missionaries pray for him.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Paul Sampath T.

BIHAR

Murliganj:

Selina Joyce & M. John

Praise God: For the followup ministry done in Dhamsaina, Bhagawanpur, Bejnatpur, Mahishi and Govindapur villages. Regular Sunday services are being conducted in two villages. For the people who attend the Bible study in two villages to be nurtured with the Word of God. 60 people watched the Jesus Film at Bejnatpur village.

Pray: For Bishnudev Yadav and Nago Yadav to accept the Lord Jesus as their Saviour and experience the true salvation that can be found in Him. For Upendra who heard the Gospel to be led by the Holy Spirit to believe in the Word.

Chhatapur:

Pawar Dinesh & Chilabai

Praise God: A new village was reached with the Gospel. 100 persons heard God's Word. 1 New Testament was given away. Maladevi was healed from kidney infection through

prayer and medicine. Believers from Tamuwa, Shivlagra and Lalpur are ready to confess their faith in the Lord. The migrated believers are doing fine in the Lord.

Pray: For the new contacts from Govindpur, Shirlagra, Bhagwanpur, Dhararaha and Rajpur to accept the Lord. Sulensad to be blessed with children. Neha Kumari to be healed from paralytic attack and Vishnu Sada from spinal cord problem. For the 2 new places that are going to be surveyed to start ministry to be conducive to proclaim the Gospel.

**Eastern Gangetic
Region:**

**Babu Pushparaj &
Rachel Joice**

Praise God: Promoth Sarder was able to purchase a vehicle for his livelihood. Rethu Kumari got a suitable life partner as a result of prayer. The missionaries and the believers were safe during the severe heat wave season.

Pray: For Bisnu Sada who was falsely accused and was put in jail was released after 20 years is now diagnosed with TB; to be healed. For Rekha Devi and her husband to be delivered from alcoholism. For Sulensada to be blessed with children. For Dil Chand Kumar who behaves like a transgender to become normal.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Jessiah Harris
Mr. Kuppuswamy P.
Mr. Bidyut Kumar Singh

JHARKAND

**Littipada: Ebenezer
Samuel & Mabel Florence**

Praise God: 3 new villages were reached with the Gospel. 50 persons were met and 4 new believers were added to His fold. 3 Night Meetings were conducted in the villages. 45 youths participated in field level youth meeting. Lukhi from Karpahadi village was suffering from bleeding problem; after hearing the Gospel and tasting the love of God she is getting better. In Rampur village, a believer was bitten by a snake, she was saved miraculously by God's grace.

Pray: For the upcoming planned meetings to be successful. Believers to confess their faith boldly. Suresh from Karipahadi to be healed from TB and Lukhi's complete healing from gynaecological problem. Healing of Timothy from Littipada village who is suffering from vomiting for a long time and Timothy from Hadbanda

village from hernia and hydrosol. For the CDC children to grow in spiritual life. Recovery of Seela Hasdak, an evangelist's wife, who is admitted in ICU for kidney problems.

**Amalgachi:
Gajen & Roshila**

Praise God: The Church Elders training was conducted with our Secretary and 20 people participated and were blessed spiritually. The children of this field were given memory verse assignments to study them in their holidays and every child diligently studied them. Some of them have memorized nearly 100 verses from Psalm 119. Many of our believers experienced healing when they prayed with faith, much to their edification.

Pray: For God's help as there is a plan to survey a few villages in the bordering state of West Bengal to expand our ministry. For believers to live a witnessing life to win the Non Malto and other non-believers for Christ. Jharkand experiences a lack of rain and this has led to some of our believers to migrate to other states, leaving behind their agricultural farms. For the healing of our local evangelist's son Raju who suffers from fits. For Churches to be built in Godda Kepu, Bohora, Kalupara and Talmi Godda villages.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Benilda Dayasingh

Amarapara:

**Vyasu Babu &
Soundarya Rekha**

Praise God: 7381 people had the opportunity to hear the Gospel in 18 new villages. About 25 of them became believers and were added to the fold. 130 New Testaments and 42 Bibles were given to the seekers. For the provision of Amarapara Training Centre to be used for training new believers and Church Elders. In 35 villages, the Jesus Film was screened and many groups of people came to witness the life of Jesus Christ.

Pray: For the Lord to provide sufficient rain in the land of Jharkand. For the deliverance of Tanish Tudu, Sandeep Soren, Sudheer Besra, Motilal Marandi and Surinsona Tudu from an evil spirit possession. Surmila and Kaparmuki to be healed from bleeding issues. Mongal to be healed of TB and Santosh to be healed of epilepsy. For new Congregations to be

formed in Gudichopur and Babupur villages.

Dhalbhumgarh:

Pramodkumar & Jashoda

Praise God: 1500 people in 13 new villages heard the Gospel, but none have accepted the Lord as their Personal Saviour yet. Chunaram Murmu who feared his tumour would be cancerous was relieved when it was only a normal tumour and was operated and removed. For all the children who participated in the VBS at Murkati and Lopo Kacha village. The work done in the Bakrococha village is almost complete. For the health of the believers preserved during the hot summer months.

Pray: The Church Elders should be faithful in their work and responsibilities towards the Church and Ministry. For the need for a capable local evangelist family to share the ministry needs in Dhalbhumgarh field. For the need of Kacha Churches to be constructed in Larkabasa and Bankishol villages. For the new contacts, Lubin Mardi, Chawan Soren, Raghu Soren, Dhuma Besra, Dula Soren, Fatu Hansda and Ramu to accept the Lord as their personal Saviour. For Kalpesh Raut's family to be blessed with a child.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Benhur Y.
Mrs. Jiki Edward

**Gopikandar:
John Dinesh &
Binny Gnanam**

Praise God: 24 new people were added into God's fold from Amarpani, Pipra and Korchera villages. Poolmuni who was badly injured from a fire accident was healed completely through prayers. Dool Dehri accepted Christ as her personal Saviour through the Jesus film. The Dangargavh Church construction work is progressing smoothly. For the committed involvement of Krishan as a local volunteer. The Church Elders training programme was a blessing to strengthen the Congregations and help the backslidden to come back to the Lord. 34 people heard the Gospel preached in Jader Pani, Korumo and Kunda Pahadi villages. For the small prayer cell started in Kamalakocha village.

Pray: For the new believers who received salvation, to grow strong in

the Lord. For the situation of Dool Dehri getting seizures very often and baby boys born in her family suffer premature death to change. Many believers who are addicted to alcoholism must be set free from this addiction. For the persecutors of the Christian faith to have a change of heart and experience the love of Jesus. Pray for Arjun Grihi and Jithendhar Grihi who have shown interest in following Jesus Christ and preparing to confess their faith publicly.



Touched by Jesus love!!

In Kaimganj field of Uttar Pradesh, our believer Guddi's husband Chandan, opposed her faith in Jesus. He believed in Black Magic and took his wife too and went to a Baba. While returning home they met with an accident and he had fractured his legs. His daughter too was possessed. Our missionaries happened to conduct VBS in their village. Few days later the missionaries and others were invited to pray in their house. They sat as a family and asked the missionary to conduct a prayer in their house. They worshipped the Lord Jesus Christ with faith. And they got the peace of mind so they all have accepted the Lord. Praise the Lord!





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Carolin Rani William
Mr. Jeetendra Digal
Mr. Padvi Somalia Mansubhai
Mrs. Suguna Arul Aseer
Mr. Valvi Netaji Dadu
Mrs. Raut Asha Konkani Sampath

Dumka:

Benhur & Mary Jhansi

Praise God: The Gospel was shared to 2425 people. 27 of them accepted the Lord Jesus Christ and became believers. For the healing received by Suganthi from persisting headache, Soren from spinal cord pain and Siplongiri from paralysis. The Jesus film was shown in 21 villages and night meetings were conducted in 45 villages and the sessions went on without any hindrances. Sarkara received healing from chest pain and Mira from fits.

Pray: For Modilal Marandy who is ready to accept the Lord Jesus as his personal Saviour should remain steadfast in his faith. A magician from Pasco village, Marandi Mandu is being led to accept Christ as his

personal Saviour. For the Sunday school teachers from all villages to be trained properly and to be effective in teaching the Gospel to the children. The Lord to grant sufficient rainfall for the agricultural lands in this state. For the Church elders to co-operate with the efforts taken for the growth of the Church.

Jeypur:

Ashok Naik & Surabhi

Praise God: For the healing experienced by Kalu and Leela from their sickness when they prayed, leading them to accept Christ into their lives. In Kolagutu and Kandigutu village, one family is willing to accept Christ as their Personal Saviour. The Believers and youth training programs were held successfully in spite of hot weather conditions.

Pray: For the new families who accepted Christ to stand firm in their faith. For Kolagutu and Kuluburu villages, where more people to open their hearts to the Gospel and believe. For effective follow-up ministry to be done in villages and our efforts to bear fruits. For the need of two volunteers and one Evangelist to fulfil the needs in ministry.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Vinodhini Johnson
Mr. Barnabas A.
Mrs. Sunanda Belli
Miss. Kalpana Choudhari

Kharoni:

Swapnil & Manisha

Praise God: 205 new people heard the Gospel in 18 villages. 12 persons from Chunerbhunj & Larbera villages accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. For the problem amongst the believers of the Basithkundih Congregation for the past 2 years which was resolved through counselling and for the oneness that currently prevails amongst them. For the 3 day spiritual growth programme of the Ghagar Congregation to equip our believers which went on well by the Grace of God.

Pray: For the new believers to grow spiritually and steadfast in their faith. For Nirmal to confess his faith publically without any apprehension and not backslide. For Gopal suffering from a skin infection for a long time to be healed. Aratidevi to be healed of the tumour in her stomach. For a need of a Church Elder to lead

the Church worship service. Lagra Devi to receive healing from a liver swelling ailment. For the Church Elder Baijanath that he may visit the believers and encourage and motivate them and work for the strengthening of the Church.

Pathna & Barharwa Girls Santal Hostel:

Peter Prabhakaran & Vimala

Praise God: 16 believers were added unto Christ fold. 5 new villages and 400 people were reached. 3 Bibles were distributed and 20 believers camps were conducted. Chami Murmu was unconscious for two days because of fits, but through prayers she was healed and is improving. 3 Church elders meetings, one family seminar and 2 youth meetings were conducted in the field.

Pray: For problems faced in Chatra pastorate area to be solved. For the strength and knowledge to overcome oppositions in the field. The believers to be strong in their faith, and not to backslide. The healing for believers who are sick in Talbaria village. One more teacher and a cook is needed for the CDC in this field. For the children who have completed their 10th and 12th standards to choose the right courses for their higher studies according to the Lord's will.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Kumar G.
Mr. Agustian Biji

Jaganathpur:
**Basudeo Malto &
Basanti Malto**

Praise God: The Word of God was shared with 70 persons in 6 new villages. 6 persons have turned to the Lord. Outreach ministry was done in Duarsai, Jamjui, Sihaljoda, Bailore, Jamdih, Takurani and Pukhriburu. Sumitra's economic status improved after she accepted the Lord. Ashish Munda was revived through prayer when he fainted due to unknown sickness.

Pray: For the planned Church elders training in all the fields to be successful. For Sura an elderly women to be healed of TB that she had been suffering for 5 years. For the plans of starting a Bible study group for all age groups to be made possible. Suklal to be healed from fits.

WEST BENGAL

Balurghat:

Haramohan & Susamma

Praise God: 400 new people were reached in 17 new villages. 6 became believers and were added to the fold. The VBS Teachers who were trained were a spiritual blessing in the VBS Ministry done in the fields. Santosh was healed from fits Sanjali from BP. Biswajit and Saheb are interested in hearing the Gospel. Mangal is willing to donate his land to construct Church in Katna village. Bapa Kisku from Jhadai Congregation has been selected to be trained as a local Evangelist.

Pray: For the Church Elders and believers to be active in their faith. For the healing of Elo from mental issues, Rupali from a Gynaecological problem that she had been suffering for 25 years and Sabriti from a kidney ailment. For Raju, Basmoni, Biplab, Pares, Nimas and Srial to get the salvation. For the receptiveness of the Santhal people group towards the Gospel when they hear it. For the paper work to be completed for the Church construction at Mangalpur. For the need for Churches to be built at Jhadai, Mangalpur and Beline villages.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Benhur M.
Mr. Amirkanta Digal
Mr. Arulraj Ebenezer D.
Mr. Sampaul A.

Gangarampur: Dihe & Charani

Praise God: 780 people were reached in 5 new villages. 23 became believers and were added to the fold. Many of our believers were involved in reaching out to other villagers during the ministries. Tulshi Kishu came for prayer to overcome her fear and also accepted Christ as her Saviour. The Jesus film was screened in 10 villages and 5 families are showing interest to know more about Jesus. We had a blessed time of sharing the Gospel in the night meetings conducted in 8 villages. Palton Tudi and Monoti, both were unable to walk and tried remedies with many gurus to no avail. Then turned to us for prayer and confessed their faith in Jesus. The Lord healed them and they now walk.

Pray: For Sunil and his family to accept Christ into their lives. For the Church Elders and believer's families to grow in spiritual maturity and must have a burden for the lost souls. Pray that both Susmita and Nayani would have safe deliveries and their families would be blessed. God should provide materials for the Beluhar Church construction and it should be completed on schedule.



The only hope!!

Charan Devi of Etah in Kaimganj field of Uttar Pradesh was under a satanic attack causing repeated sickness in her body. Our Church Elder - Sasi shared the Gospel with her and gave her a New Testament. But she returned the Bible back, later she became very sick and came to our elder for prayer. God healed her miraculously. She stopped pagan worship and burnt all the other religious books and put her trust in Christ. Her son a criminal lawyer at first prevented her from the Christian Faith. But soon he started reading the Bible and began to hear Christian messages online and accepted Christ into his life too. God touched her husband too. Now as a family they read the Bible and pray regularly. Glory to Jesus Name!





Itahar: Astaban Aditya & Manini Kumari

Praise God: For the 7 Jesus Film programs in Basahar, Talibir, Veliamuni, Dutkhol, Hatmuchda, Cakla, & Lekda villages where 400 people heard the Gospel. 17 people accepted Christ from Janumghutu and Hatmuchda villages. A youth programme at Banbol village had 18 youth who participated and were blessed with the word. Maloti Hasdak was diagnosed with a tumour in the brain, but with fervent prayer, the Lord has helped her lead a normal life. The construction of Bashar Church is going on smoothly.

Pray: For the new believers to be steadfast in their faith and to lead their relatives to faith in Christ. For Malho, Simali, Sopon and Mistry to accept Christ as their personal Saviour. For the families of Biswajit, Chiranjit, Hembron and Tiromani who went for a Bible Training Course to be trained well and to step into ministry. For the need to get two more local Evangelists

for ministry in the Itahar field as the ministry is expanding. For our new volunteer Rajan Murmu to be strong and faithful in service to the Lord. For the missionary's daughter Anandhini who is starting her education in SV Boarding School, that she will be able to adjust in the boarding life.

Jamboni: Ephraim Malli & Prasonsita Malli

Praise God: The Gospel was proclaimed in 7 villages and about 500 new people heard the Good News. The Lord helped us to conduct a children's programme where 26 children attended and learnt the Word of God sincerely. Rabin Rama is keen to read the Bible sincerely and is on the journey of accepting Christ as his Personal Saviour. Ganiram who is interested to know about Christ must find his way to the Truth. For Dipali Murmu who is a good help in our ministry.

Pray: For the deliverance of Maina Kistu from an evil spirit attack. For Mongal Murmu and Ramsey Tudu who persecute the believers for their faith, to have a change of heart. For Urmila, Hembron, Adhar, Mani and Soren to come to faith in Jesus. For the Jeep outreach ministry in Bimpur Area and for our ministry efforts to bear fruit.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Regini Thomas, Mr. Thotchuiyo Shimrah
Mr. Alex Prabu, Mr. Ramesh Babu K.
Mr. Babujee Murmu

Karandighi:

Kaithiengin Vaiphei & Melody Dimsonting

Praise God: 195 new people were reached with the Gospel in 15 villages. A new Sunday Worship service is conducted in Chainugutu village where people are showing a keen interest in knowing the Lord Jesus. We were able to survey our field area and contact the sick and offer prayers for them. We were able to conduct two night meetings in Situngtola and Kapurtola villages. For the children's meet conducted in Ulgututu village.

Pray: For the night meetings conducted in Sadipur, Chatnigutu, Batual, Niamgututu and Ulgututu villages where some people may come to faith in Jesus. For Budu Murmu who has backslidden that he may repent and turn to Jesus again. For Santal village to be reached with the Word of God. For a few believers in Ulgututu village who are not interested to attend

the Church Services to attend. For Munna to receive healing from TB infection. For the witnessing lives of our believers for Christ. For a Congregation to be established among the Chatnigutu believers.

Samsi:

Deep Ratna & Mithilesh

Praise God: For the 1000 people who heard the Gospel in our outreach programmes and for the one soul who became a believer. For the 21 outreach meetings among the non-believers which went on smoothly. For Lal Mohan and Sitaram's father who were delivered from tobacco addiction. For Potem Sorem who suffered from paralysis, but received healing through prayer. For the Goda Tola Congregation where Mohan is appointed as the Church elder and a land for Church construction is also obtained.

Pray: For the new worship centres to be started in Bayaghuttu and Lawagram villages. For a 3 month old baby to recover well from pneumonia. For the children who attended the VBS for the first time in 3 outreach villages to grow in the knowledge of Jesus and accept Christ as their personal Saviour. In Goda Tola village, a Pastor Kaliram who is preventing us from entering nearby villages to share the Gospel may repent and have a change of heart.



Happy Birthday

Miss. Ponmalar Gnanasanthi
Mr. Paulraj R.

Kumargang: Kingsly Livingston & Delphin

Praise God: For Ranjan Khalasa family who joined us to do ministry in Tapan Block for the Glory of God. Nearly 600 people heard the Gospel through the Jesus film screened. For Somesh Tudu who donated a land to build a Kacha Church for the Baspada Congregation.

Pray: For our missionaries to discern God's will for the new areas that they are going to minister. For the Gangarampur and Topam believers to witness among their relatives and neighbours, the love of Jesus Christ. For our believers who are caught up in bad habits to be delivered from their sinfulness. For the Small group Leaders camp, night meetings, film programs, mass outreaches, believers camp, Church elders camp and House visits for Prayer to be conducted successfully.

Asom

Gohpur:

Nathan Kumar Bebarta & Nirupoma

Praise God: 700 people were reached with the Gospel. A new worship group was formed in Cirakhua village. Risha Boro's 13mm kidney stone dissolved miraculously by the prayers of our believers. Prothomi Patgiri accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior. Jodu Kutum was seriously ill from 2020 and was attacked by evil spirit, but through continuous fasting prayer he was healed. Believer's children passed their board exams and got admission. Rathul Pachung got government job.

Pray: A Land for Gorbeti Congregation to accommodate the believers. For all believers to regularly attend Sunday worship service.



Set free from fears!!

Mr. Gagan from Budhlada field in Punjab was frightened by a spell by the sorcerer that he will die in 5 days. He also spent around 1 Lakh to be healed from the fear that he had after his paternal uncle died. He came for prayer and now all the fear is gone and he is alive and is freed from fear. He is ready to confess his faith in the Lord along with his wife. Hallelujah!





Happy Birthday

Mr. Dharmaraj R. R.
Mr. Ebenezer Samuel A.

CHHATTISGARH

Durgukondal:

**Babujee Murmu &
Violet Hasdna**

Praise God: Gospel was shared in about 42 villages and 340 new people heard it for the first time. For the Lord protected and guided our missionaries when they were interrogated in Bodeli village by the Town Inspector. For new contacts - Madavi Family, Gawde family, Manesh Naroti family, Sahu Aunt and Kamlesh Potavi family to come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Pray: Because of the Town Inspector's opposition to us, our house owner has asked us to vacate the house. The Lord should help us find a way out. For those interested to seek Jesus, but afraid because of villager's repercussion. For my mother who is upset because I am not able to help her physically and financially. For my wife who is very

weak and undergoing treatment. The Lord should enable us to go many villages to share the Good News.

Ludeg:

**Karunakaran &
Elizabeth**

Praise God: For the 200 people who attended the Ludeg Spiritual Mela to grow strong in their faith. For the revival got during the Mela to be sustained. With much prayer, the Shivpur Church construction work has commenced. 11 people accepted the Lord Jesus Christ with a public confession of their faith. For our eldest son who remains childless for 9 years to be blessed with a child by the mercy of God. Ammaribaka received healing from TB infection.

Pray: For our local Evangelist who left the ministry and that his absence should not affect the faith of the believers. For the Church construction work to be finished before the monsoon season begins. For Jaya Minz to receive healing from breast tumour. Febina and Viro to receive healing from their sickness. For a land to be obtained for Church construction at Dauvanara village.



ODISHA

**Dhenkanal: Santu
Marandi & Suresh Malto**

Praise God: 580 people newly heard the Gospel in 4 villages. One new soul was added to the family of believers. A training for the new believers was conducted in Haridapada and Basaibato villages. The Lord helped Santu Marandi to get married and the ceremony was a blessing. We were able to do followup ministry at Palasuni, Bargasi, Sadhumunda and Sario villages. For the healing received by Saraswathi Mumda when she came to us for prayers. Raut Sundi was unable to walk and was sick for a month, but the Lord healed him by His mercy.

Pray: For Sushanta, Harish and Sarojani suffering from TB to be completely healed. 5 families of Sarengon village who have shown interest in the Gospel, to be led to accept Christ as their personal Saviour. For Jaidamdarpur Church construction to finish smoothly and on time. For the spiritual blessings of the 4 outreach programmes in the month of June.

Keonjhar:

Pratyush Nayak & Leona

Praise God: 983 people heard the Gospel in 15 new villages. 19 of them became believers and were added to the fold. For the new believers in Kidiyakudur village who were chased out of their homes because of their faith. The issue was solved smoothly when God gave us the courage to file a case against the perpetrators. 619 children were blessed through VBS held in 8 places. For the progress in the Church construction work at Kadamdihi. For the healing experience by our local evangelist Rasika's family. The Lord helped us to start literacy programme in 3 places.

Pray: For our Kushumjodi village believers who were refused water from the common sources because of their faith. For Michuar Hembrum family issue to be resolved prayerfully. For the grieving family over the loss of Chandra Munda to be comforted. For the new Church construction to progress in Mamlaposi village. Ranga Bodra, a new comer to our worship service, must eventually profess his faith in Jesus Christ alone. For oneness among the evangelist and the Church elders team in ministry.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Albert Samuel
Mr. Satheesh T.

Rimuli: Sankar & Jelin

Praise God: For the 300 New Testaments and 5 Bibles that were distributed among the 4500 people who heard the Gospel in 15 new villages. For our transfer from Rimuli to another mission field and for enabling us to extend our mission boundaries. For our believer's son Siraj who suffered an electric shock in his work place, but was miraculously saved. Our believer Niren Munda stopped selling alcohol. Ruth and Deborah team believers are illiterates but are able to memorize scriptures.

Pray: For the survey undertaken in Roruan Block. For the families of Ramo and Raghunath Munda who are prepared to have a public confession of their faith. For the progress of believers in their knowledge of the Word of God and prayer life. For the deliverance of Mithun, Motilal, Avinash and

Bisonata from the bondage of alcohol. For the persecution suffered by our believer Geetha Munda family for their faith, in their village.

GUJARAT

Bodeli:

Yesu Babu & Usha

Praise God: For the 80 youth who participated in the youth meet conducted in Kundanpur village were spiritually blessed. The night meet conducted in Suvita village was attended by people from the nearby villages too and they heard the Gospel. A small worship group has been started at Bangapura village. For Misli Ben who received healing from Cancer.

Pray: For Himath who became a believer and eventually backslided, is again tormented by evil spirits and a nervous problem. He was brought to the Church for prayer and the Lord healed him. Pray that he would be sustained in faith. For Vikram's healing as he suffered a fire accident and his legs and hands were burnt, causing great pain. For the Believers children to progress in their education and be blessed. For the Lord to provide open doors in new villages for the proclamation of the Gospel.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Maragathamani Ruban
Mr. Manimaran D., Mr. Ananthan M.

**Choramba:
Pushparaj and Jyothi
Nirmala**

Praise God: For the 33 people who heard the Gospel in Badhal, Pitoi, Madhav and Gorbadi villages. Samuel was healed of his appendix problem. One of the daughters of Dayabai has now received vision in her eyes. The rest of her family members are all visually impaired. Soniben a new believer was healed of kidney stone when we prayed. For the Church elders meet held in Kasvav Church where they were encouraged to be diligent workers for the Lord.

Pray: For harassment of the believers Priya, Radha and Mit in Bootwada village for their Christian Faith. For the Lord to intervene in the life of Deepikaben who is on the verge of divorcing her husband because of his unfaithfulness in

marriage. Mahima and Dharmiben to be delivered from evil spirit attacks. Archanaben to receive healing from a cyst in her abdomen. Suresh suffering from an evil spirit attack in the form of a cat due to the witchcraft which already prevails in his village.

**God who intercedes
my case!!**

Our young believer named Pavan from Dhineshpur field in Uttarakhand while driving E-rickshaw carrying rented marriage furniture ran over an old man who was taking care of his goats. That old man was severely hurt and became bedridden. Pavan's family were worried that the old man's family would harm him or demand a large amount of money because they were poor and would not be able to afford that ransom. They took the matter to the Lord in prayer. Miraculously that old man requested his family members not to harm Pavan or to demand any money from him. He said that his time has come; saying this, that old man breathed his last. His sons obeyed their father's request. Pavan's family members and the Church members praised God for His favour and grace on that family. Praise the Lord!



Happy Birthday

Mr. Kingsly G.
Mrs. Suhi Malar Vinu

**DADRA NAGAR
HAVELI**

**Silvassa: Davidson
Rajasingh & Kanmani**

Praise God: 858 new people heard the Gospel and 14 of them accepted the Lord as their Personal Saviour. Bible studies for the youth are conducted in 3 villages. Sala and Radhi from Bondha village was protected from a snake bite. Mahindra received deliverance from an alcoholic addiction. The ladies spiritual meet was held in 12 different places and were conducted without any hindrances.

Pray: Sathru Ben had a fall from a staircase and has injured her spinal cord, to receive healing from the Lord. Ajay a believer's son is not interested in coming to the Church and must have a change of heart. Mandhiya had a hernia operation and to recover well. Pray that the youth Anil, Jeswant, Sonu and Chotu would have the passion to

come to Church and worship the Lord. For the Lord to bless Savitha with a child. The youth from all 44 Congregations who attended the youth meet at Thothpada to grow in faith in the Lord.

Randha/Khanvel Home:
Markus & Sara Malto;
Chandrika Ben and
Manisha Lakra

Praise God: For the blessings the children got by attending our VBS. 24 Boys and 5 Girls have secured new admission to our hostel. Sam Joshua our Hostel Cook's son secured admission in an English medium school. A prayer group from Tirunelveli visited our hostel and encouraged our children

Pray: For the 12th Std Students who wrote their exams to secure good admission in colleges and that they should stand firm in the Lord. For our 8th passed students in the hostel who have to secure admission in another school for their 9th grade. For the new children to settle down well and confirm to our spiritual standards. For the hostel facilities of the Girl Students and the Building work process to progress smoothly.



Kanvel:

Arul Aser & Suguna

Praise God: For the jobs Vipul and Paresh obtained after a long wait through prayer. Vasuna Babu received deliverance from the bondage of alcoholism. Kinnoli suffered from severe wheezing from her childhood and received healing through prayer. By fasting and fervent prayers, Chandrakala Ben is pregnant after remaining childless for four years.

Pray: For Govind a new believer who has been diagnosed with Cancer to receive healing from the Lord. For Tulasi Ben to receive healing from a leg swelling, which is disheartening to her for the past 10 years. For Deepika Ben to conceive and be blessed with a child as she remains childless for few years. Dhilip affected with TB should receive healing from the Lord.

MAHARASHTRA

Igatpuri:

Nagarajan & Thilagavathi

Praise God: For the new prayer cell, a worship group and a women's prayer cell that has been started in Nasera village. For the openings in Junavanawadi village where the Gospel was shared. A seekers camp was conducted in Shementbari village. 11 people confessed their faith in Christ and were added to Jesus fold. Followup ministry was conducted in Kinista, Aristhataka and Junavanawadi villages. The new believers training was conducted in Karoli and Shirset villages.

Pray: For our daughter Vaniya to obtain a seat for a paramedical course in CMC Vellore. For Aveli village where people of the higher caste threaten the believers and are interrupting them from attending services; the believers to overcome their fear and to stand for their faith. Harichander should be set free from the bondage of evil spirits which disturbs him. For the Gospel to be shared in Aristhataka village. Opposition to cease in the villages of Mukane, Kavnai, Vagubachawadi and Dhargav. For a worshiping service to be started in Karoli village where we presently have only one new contact.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Jacob Pradeep Kumar
Mr. Paul Albert, Mr. Abraham D.
Mrs. Goma Govindaraj

Dindori:

Alex Prabhu & Priya

Praise God: For new openings in the villages of Devdan, Laduchi, Nagaipada and Nalvadi. A new night prayer meet started in Villundi village should bear fruit. 16 Bibles were distributed to those who desired and they should be transformed by the Word of God when they read it. Rohini a 15 year old girl threw herself into a well due to an evil spirit attack and was mercifully saved by the villagers by the Grace of God. This led us to having a prayer meet in that village. Meena received deliverance from an evil spirit possession.

Pray: For Rajendra and his family to recover from the injuries caused by an accident and to be a witness in the Church functioning in his home. For Sunita to receive healing

in her ailment in the brain. For Vaman to receive healing from fits. For Sinthaman's family to receive peace and oneness in spirit. Pushpa suffering from vision impairment to recover. Sharath, discouraged over lack of water in his wells must overcome his situation with faith in the Lord.

Mandana:

G Praveen & Mounika

Praise God: 6 new villages were reached and 600 people were met with the Gospel. 15 believers confessed their faith and accepted Jesus Christ as their personal savior in Buvali and vadshil village. 180 New Testaments and 3 Bibles were distributed to the village people. Shima's cow was healed after being bitten by a snake. Mangli, the only believer in the family, had discomforts because of evil spirits. Through prayers she was delivered.

Pray: Shoba and Danraj to be blessed with children. For the healing of Ruthik a 4 year old boy who is suffering from sickle cell disease, a blood disorder. For Church construction in Chandsalli congregation.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Susila Marak

Talasari:

Mayilswamy & Yesumani

Praise God: The Lord gave opening in 2 new villages, Wagpada and Kair to proclaim the Gospel and even to distribute New Testaments. For the family meetings conducted in 4 villages. Around 64 people took part in these meets and were blessed. 45 youth attended the youth meet at Modgoan village and strengthened in the Word. For the families of Latha, Poonam and Akash family who are newly attending the Church service.

Pray: For the many children who came forward to attend the VBS to grow strong in their faith and commitment to Jesus. For the deliverance of Anitha from an evil spirit possession. For her family members to accept Christ into their lives. For the Katcha Church being built for the Chillar Congregation.

Karnataka

Haliyal

(Khanapur extension):

Thanglal Zou & Nemzavah

Praise God: 85 persons heard the Gospel for the first time in 2 villages. 3 Bibles and 2 New Testaments were distributed. Children Bible School was conducted in Nandgad and around 42 children participated in it. Kamlama's heart problem due to high BP was healed after fervent prayer. Manjappa from Hosa Haregalli is our new contact got when he was healed of urinary track infection.

Pray: For Manjappa and Satguru families to remain faithful to God where ever they have gone to work. For Sanju,Ilappa, Nagesh and Shidappa to be delivered from alcoholic addiction. Honnappa and Laxmi families to get the eligible government housing scheme money. God to give children to Chaitra from Alnavar, Naveena from Jawalli and Naveena from Benchi. God to heal Yeshoda from the shaking that she experiences throughout her body.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Charuben Christian
Mrs. Bharathi Moorthi

Khanapur: Vinayraj & Shantha Vinayraj

Praise God: Sunday worship and cottage prayers were conducted. New seekers are joining the Sunday worships. 3 Bibles and 5 New Testaments were distributed to the new comers. Follow up ministry was done in few villages.

Pray: For those attending the Sunday service newly to accept the Lord and not to succumb to their old life but to confess their faith boldly. For the healing of Basapa Patil who gets on and off wounds that are severe. For Sudha's financial needs to admit her son to school to be met.

**ANDHRA
PRADESH**

**Penukonda:
Desai Dilipbhai &
Randhe Laxmiben**

Praise God: Outreach ministry

was done in Chinnappareddypalli, Cherlopalli and Hanumapalli villages and 687 people heard the Good News. Jesus film was screened in 2 villages - Chandragiri and Kuruvandlapalli. For the seekers camp held at Islamapuram Church where 2 persons confessed their faith in Christ publicly. For the weekly prayer meets conducted in 5 villages and the people who attend them to be built up in Christ. Mariamma bitten by a poisonous snake was miraculously healed with timely intervention and hospitalization.

Pray: For Mariamma and Karunamma to be healed of their sickness through prayers and faith. For Aruna and Seema to reconcile with each other. For Nandini, Mariamma, Rehalamma and Beulah to be blessed with a children. For the children who attended the VBS to stand firm in their commitments and for their parents to experience salvation in Christ. For Zechariah, Elizabeth and Abraham to be delivered from their addiction to alcohol. For Netravathi to be set free from an evil spirit possession.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Daniel David R.

TAMILNADU

Illampillai: Wilson & Jeya

Praise God: For God's protection over Valliyammal when a snake curled itself around her feet and left her unharmed. The mother of Lucky recovered from an abdominal surgery after a tumour was removed. For the children who committed their lives in the VBS that was organized in this field. Perumaiye who has backslidden in her faith started attending the Church again.

Pray: For Ramaswamy's family to be delivered from witchcraft and his lands to be protected from his usurping relatives. For those who have heard the Gospel to repent and accept the Lord Jesus. For Kumar, Alagamma and Nila to have the courage to publicly confess their faith. For the parents of the children who have attended the VBS to come to a saving faith. For the

believers to find deliverance from the bondage of debts. For the Lord to open the hearts of people to taste the gift of salvation. Vanilla's family to reconcile and unite again.



Soul won by Meekness!!

Narender Kumar is from Damni village of Rampur field in the Himachal. He lived close to our CV (Casual Volunteer) Prakash Chand. He kept meddling in the apple transporting work that had been done through mules, while he himself had 3 mules. He kept preventing those that came forward to transport apples for a lesser price. All of a sudden 2 of his mules died an unnatural death. Narender realized his evil intention and was surprised to see that Prakash didn't react to all his evil actions. Though he did not confess his fault, later he visited another local evangelist for prayer as he was suffering from a feeling of numbness in the right hip and below. But since there was no improvement in his health, he made a phone call to Prakash telling that he would like to attend the Sunday service and began to attend the Church service regularly along with his family. He also invited Prakash to pray for him and he testified that he feels better now. Glory be to His name!



Manasseh Daniel was born to Christian parents Mr. J.Jeya Soundararajan & Mrs. Joy Soundararajan (Late) along with his twin brother Ephraim Chelladurai in the year 1983 at Chennai. He was brought up in a Christian environment in Besant nagar. School, Home and Church was his triangular life wave. Though he had such privileges he didn't have a very close relationship with Jesus Christ.

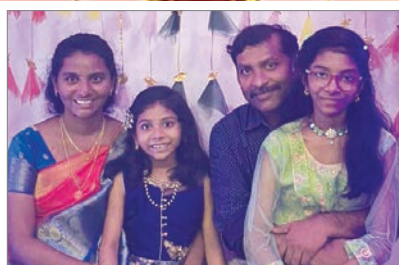
In the year 2001, he attend a three days youth camp. In that camp he had a close encounter with the Lord and by His grace he was saved and received God's call for the ministry. His parents were glad to know about his commitment and they advised him to get a degree and then join in ministry. In the year 2006, soon after he completed B.A Economics, he got a Job in Citi financial bank - Back end division. By that time he was carried away by the sophisticated life in the city forgetting all about his divine call. Later he joined in ICICI back end job - Credit card department. As he was running away from the living God, at one point of his life he realized that he had been going in the wrong direction. But, God graciously gave him a second chance to attend a F.M.P.B Youth retreat in Meenampakam. In that meeting he received the divine call again and he re-committed his life to serve the Lord and joined FMPB in the year 2007.

After the one year training at N.I.M Jhansi, he was placed in field office at Nagpur. Later he was placed in Nowshera Mission field - Jammu & Kashmir and later in Kalakote sub- station. In midst of this he was sent for 6 months field exposure to Punjab. Then he was placed in Basholi mission field in Jammu & Kashmir.

On 24.08.2011, he married miss. Selva Merina; She was born in a Christian family to Mr. Immanuel & Mrs. Athime Rani in Mylappapuram, Tenkasi District in the year 1988. She has 3 siblings. She had been suffering from fits while studying in 9thstd. Her mother was worried about her future and took her for prayers and to many hospitals. She happened to attend one prayer meeting at Palayamkottai, where her mother asked her to make a vow to God- "Lord if you heal me I'll do your ministry fulltime". All through that prayer she was unconscious, because she got fits several times there. There at the end of the prayer, when the minister of God prayed earnestly, God graciously healed her completely due to her mother's tearful prayers.

This Divine Encounter by the Living God changed her life completely. Regular Bible reading and praying became part of her life. She also started reading the missionary Biographies posted in the Araikooval Magazine (Friends Focus) regularly; this made a great impact in her life. Later, she attended the Tamilnadu Annual camp in the year 2007. There she re committed her life for God's ministry. As soon as she completed her B.A Economics, she joined FMPB in the year 2009. After the training at N.I.M Jhansi, she was placed in St. Thomas school, Jhavad- Gujarat.

As a family they served the Lord in Udampur mission field, Jammu for 2 years, and then in Sundarbans Island - West Bengal from 2013, in 2016 they moved to Amarpada Mission field- Jharkhand to serve among the Santhalis. At present they are placed in Mumbai Mobilization due to their elder daughter's eye problem. They are blessed with two daughters namely elder one Jemimah Hesper born on 09.05.2012 in (6th std) and the younger one Janelli Keziah born on 10.02.2015 in (3rd std) in St. Mary's school, Mulund- Mumbai respectively. Kindly uphold them in your prayer.



**Mr. Manasseh Daniel
& Mrs. Selva Merina
family**

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