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"Who am I, LORD God, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?

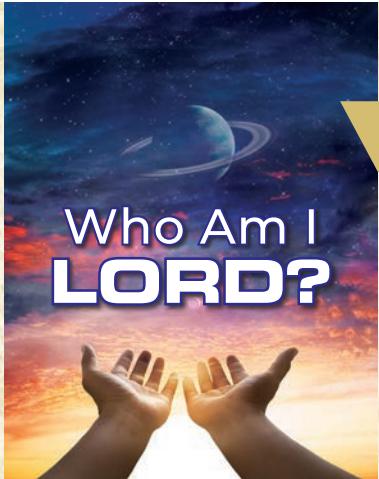
- 1 Chronicles 17:16

Who Am I **LORD?**



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2 Samuel 7: 18



Who Am I LORD?

Frontline...

If we fail to periodically reflect on fundamental questions such as what we are doing, where we are headed, and how we are living our lives, we fall short of experiencing life to its fullest. King David, renowned for defeating the formidable Goliath in Israel's history and triumphing in many battles, was not only a military leader but also a wise and handsome man. Considering the promises and covenants

made by God in his life, David sat in the presence of the Lord and posed a profound question in 1 Chronicles 17:16, saying, 'Who am I, O Lord?' When David composed Psalms, he contemplated his existence in the context of the vast cosmos, describing himself as a small dot in God's creation (Psalms 8). As we observe the events unfolding around us and reflect on how God has guided us and our families into the New Year, don't we feel compelled to ask God, like David did, "Who am I, and what is my family?" We existed in the thoughts of Jesus Christ even before the world took shape, and as he hung on the cross for us, sinners, the realization that we were personally in his thoughts prompts us to inquire, "Who am I" that you have done so much for me? As we journey through our lives and enter the year 2024, let's take a pause, look back, and ask, like David, "Lord, who am I that you have led me thus far?" David, seated on the throne in his newly constructed palace amid challenges and blasphemies, couldn't help but ponder, "What is my house, that you have brought me this far?" Reflecting on what God has accomplished in our organization, which began modestly with the senior brothers of the Friends Missionary Prayer Band, and considering the work from the mission field, mobilization efforts, and the head office, we can only acknowledge that it is the Lord's doing alone. In the words of an old song in FMPB, "It is God who has done it, and it happened in my heart, and I couldn't believe, because the experience is new." We must recognize that we are not deserving of these blessings. As we enter 2024 as individuals, families, and an organization, let's cultivate purity in our thoughts and aspire to be vibrant in our actions. So that at the year's end, we can once again humbly say, "Who are we, Lord, through whom you have accomplished these things?"

Blessed New Year 2024!

- Mercy Selwyn (Communication Department)

**When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which
you have set in place,**

**What is mankind that you
are mindful of them, human
beings that you care for them?**

- Psalms 8: 3-4

**"For the Christian, humility
is absolutely indispensable.**

**Without it there can be
no self-knowledge,
no repentance, no faith and
no salvation." - AW Tozer**

**"But who am I, and who are
my people, that we should be
able to give as generously as
this? Everything comes from
you, and we have given you
only what comes from your
hand. - 1 Chronicles 29:14**

**Man is never sufficiently
touched and affected by the
awareness of his lowly state
until he has compared himself
with God's majesty.**

- John Calvin

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Reach the unreached Indians
with the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

Our Mission:

Evangelize the nation with the Gospel
of Jesus Christ, serve to transform
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FROM THE GENERAL SECRETARY...

and 20th of November. In my visit I met church leaders and affected believers who are in relief camps.

MOU with Zeme Baptist Association

On 22nd November, in Dimapur, Nagaland on behalf of FMPB I signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Zeme Baptist Association, whose Headquarters is in Nagaland. This will help us to work in closer relationship in our ministries.

216th Executive Committee

The 216th Executive Committee was held in Alapuzha, Kerala on 25th and 26th of November for the glory of God. Most of the members of the committee attended the meeting and by the grace of God, He helped us to take important decisions.

North Eastern Zonal meeting

On 30th November I attended the meeting of North Eastern Zonal missionaries held in Chottagagri, Jharkhand. I thank God for all our missionaries from different places joined hands with the vision of taking the gospel to every corner of this nation.

Santal Regional Church Council meeting

The Santal Sahibganj Regional Church Council meeting was held, in

Dear Partners in the mission of reaching the unreached,

FMPB family wishes a blessed and Christ centred New Year to all the prayer warriors and supporters. This year God has given to FMPB the theme of "Who am I?" based on II Samuel 7:18 which says, '...."Who am I, Sovereign LORD, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?'. In addition to this in I Chronicles 17:16 also David says the same thing. David said this humble statement after God told the future of David's family through Prophet Nathan and after offering a vast amount of wealth for the construction of the temple. In this new year God exhorts us to understand our unworthiness and God's grace and mercy. Lamentations 3:22 says, 'Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail'. As we will face challenges in the new year, let us all remember His unfailing love and grace to overcome those challenges.

Visit of Manipur

We are praying regularly for the peace in Manipur. I visited Manipur on 19th

which I had the privilege to deliver the Word of God. The participants have decided to take the vision of reaching all Santals into every churches and believers. Kindly pray that the vision may inspire all believers.

Outreach Training Centre Board meeting

The Board of Outreach Training Centre in Kairabani was held on 1st December 2023. The NELC former Moderator and the Bishop of NELC Dumka Diocese attended the meeting.

Cross Cultural Communication training

From 1st December to 5th December we conducted the Cross Cultural Communication workshop to the missionaries of North Eastern and Eastern Zonal missionaries. Totally 56 missionaries attended the workshop and 4 of our senior missionaries facilitated the workshop.

Nurses quarters dedication, Jharkhand

The nurses quarters built in Snehalaya Health Centre in Chandikolo, Jharkhand was dedicated on 4th December. This building is named as Anita Residence in memory of Mrs. Anita Lima, our missionary who invested her life for the redemption of people in this part of the country. FMPB thanks the donors for the construction of the building and the Doctors and all supporting staff for

the service rendered to the needy people of this backward districts.

Kakinada & Visakhapatnam Christmas program

The South India mobilization had arranged Christmas programs through the mobilization missionaries and Honorary secretaries in Kakinada and Visakhapatnam for our sponsors and supporters on 9th and 11th of December. Large number of our supporters attended the meeting in both places and it was a family atmosphere in the meetings.

Calvary Baptist Church Platinum jubilee

Calvary Baptist Church, Visakhapatnam celebrated its 75th year anniversary on 10th December. This church is supporting totally 75 missionaries through many organizations and 21 of our missionaries are being sponsored. Many organizations' leaders and church leaders participated in the celebration. The church is having a deeper vision to take the gospel to the people of this nation.

I would appreciate your kind prayers for the programs in January 2024

Punjab visit

From 1 - 7th January, we are visiting Punjab missionaries

CCC workshop Faridkot, Punjab

From 8-12th January we will have the Cross Cultural Communication workshop for North Western Zonal Missionaries.

BAF Board meeting

The Bethel Agricultural Fellowship, Danishpet, Salem's board meeting will be held on 18th January.

Management Committee meeting

On 20th and 21st of January we will have the Management Committee meeting.

Mobilization visit

God willing on 24th and 25th of January we will be visiting the southern districts of Tamil Nadu.

Bengaluru professional forum meeting

There is a plan to meet the representatives of Bengaluru Professional Forum of FMPB who support the Rajmahal Christian Primary Study Centres in Jharkhand to discuss about their further involvement in the program.

Salem Mobilization meeting

On 27th and 28th January I will be visiting Salem mobilization area for different meetings.

Your prayers are solicited for the above programs that God may grant me journey mercies and God may use

me for His purpose and glory for the expansion of FMPB ministry.

Appointments

Kindly pray for all the missionaries appointed to different responsibilities by the 216th Executive Committee.

Rev. Dr. John Jessiah Harris is appointed as Secretary Headquarters

Rev. Robinson Hansdak is appointed as Secretary North India Mobilization

Mr. Kannusamy Thomas is appointed as Secretary Property department

Mr. Edward Sam is appointed as Secretary Child Care department

Rev. V.P. Jebaraj Samuel is appointed as Secretary Human Resources Development

Rev. Thimmesh is appointed as Secretary Southern Zone Fields.

Please pray for the above missionaries and their families that they may execute their responsibilities with full of wisdom and sacrifice.

We thank you all for your sincere support to the ministry of FMPB in all through 2023. Your prayers for FMPB and the missionaries will help FMPB to move forward in fulfilling the God given vision.

Your fellow servant in God's mission



Rev. John Berlin S.

Who Am I

2 Samuel 7: 18



Introduction

It is my pleasure to greet the members of FMPB family to have a blessed New Year. God's faithfulness and protection was with us all throughout the last year. God protected us as the apple of His eye, and provided all things necessary to us as a loving Father. Jehovah Jireh, the Provider will be with us in this year also to bless and lead us and to strengthen in the sweet fellowship with Him.

Background details of II Samuel 7

After king David settled in his palace and God had given him rest from the enemies, David had a concern in his mind that the Ark of God was staying in the tent while he was living in a palace and it was not appropriate for him (II Samuel chapter 7 verse 1). Nathan the prophet encouraged David to go ahead

and do it what was in his mind, cause the Lord was with him. But that night God told Nathan the following things that

- a. God had not told any rulers of Israel to build a temple
- b. God made David a king and gave him victories
- c. God would make David's name great
- d. God would plant Israel in a permanent place
- e. God would establish a house for David
- f. David's offspring will build a house for God
- g. David's throne will be established for ever

Explaining II Samuel 7:18

2 Samuel 7:18, "Then King David went in and sat before the LORD, and he said: "**Who am I**, Sovereign LORD, and **what is my family**, that you have brought me this far?"

This verse is David's reply for what God said through Nathan the prophet. '**Who am I**', reverberates David's unworthiness to get blessed by God because though he became a king, he never forgot that he was a shepherd once. And saying '**what is my family**', David remembered his humble origin and how God made him the king though he was not of the royal blood .

'Who am I that you have brought me this far' is an expression of accepting his unworthiness in humbleness and Lord's greatness, grace and mercy in his life.

Application of 'who am I' in FMPB

As God had blessed David out of nothingness, He has blessed our organisation from a humble beginning to a large organisation to serve God and to fulfil God's will. It is God's pure mercy and grace that what is FMPB today and what it has done for the glory of God. None of us deserve to get this unimaginable and uncounted mercies from our Heavenly Father. With all humility, we bow before the sovereign Lord and say, Lord 'who are we' that you have blessed us and used us for your kingdom. God has blessed us

55 years ago	Today God has blessed us with
1 field	347 fields
2 missionaries	1000 missionaries
No evangelist	1300 evangelists
1 people group	264 people groups

To get the above blessings, God has blessed us with thousands of prayer warriors, supporters, prayer group leaders to fulfil the vision of reaching this nation.

Our response to God's grace

When the future position of David's offspring was explained by God, through Nathan, David responded with humbleness and gratitude beyond measure. David's response is a great model for us to respond what God has done for us in our personal life and what He has accomplished in FMPB by His grace and mercy.

1. Humbleness

Our first and foremost response is to be humbling ourselves and giving all glory to God. Being the Owner of everything, God does things through us and in the organization to fulfil His purpose to bring glory to Him.

After saying 'who am I' in the context of building the temple, David again said that 'Who am I' in I Chronicles 29:14.

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

Here David added about his people the Israelites by saying 'who am I' and 'who are my people' that we should be able to give as generously as this? His statement of humility comes in the wake of generous giving of David, his officers and the common people for the construction of God's temple.

David gave so generously the gold, silver, bronze, iron, timber and precious stones. The amount of David's contribution from his personal treasury was a staggering 110 tons of gold and 260 tons of silver as per I Chronicles 29:4. By seeing his sacrificial contribution made for God based on his love to God, the officials of David's administration gave 190 tons and 84 kg of gold, 380 tons of silver, 675 tons of bronze and lot of iron around 3800 tons. I Chronicles 29: 9 says the people rejoiced on the giving of the

leaders freely and wholeheartedly; David the king also rejoiced greatly. What the king and officials gave was beyond our imagination, but David's attitude was, Lord 'who am I and my people to give to you'. We are living in an era where even a small giving is blown out of proportion, but David rejoiced in humility that he could give to God. This must be our attitude in all we do for God. We have to be humble in giving to God acknowledging our unworthiness to receive from God what we have.

2. Faith

The second response for God's grace is faith. All great things God has done among us proves that our God can be trusted in every situation and no situation is greater than God. We can put our faith on God for all situations. In Zechariah 4:6 the angel said to the prophet that this is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel:'not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit'. Nothing either small or big can be done without the help of the Spirit of God, in simple words everything is possible by God and by Him only. So in the next verse that is verse 7, the angel challenges 'what are you, mighty mountain'. The challenges we face may be in all sizes and from powerful places, but we can say with faith,'What are you mighty mountain?'

Zechariah 4:6,7, 'So he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD Almighty. **What are you**, mighty mountain? Before Zerubbabel you will become level ground."

3. Surrender

The third response for God's grace is surrendering us completely and unconditionally with whatever we have in God's hands for His usage. John 6:9 says, "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but **how far will they go** among so many?"

Just imagine the situation, the crowd was very large 5000 men alone, but the sources available was five small barley loaves and two small fishes. **How far will they go** among so many was the question aroused in the hearts of the disciples. All Jesus wanted was that the crowd might surrender what they had, how much was not a problem to Him. As long as we make available to Jesus what we have, God can bless innumerable people with that little. The point is not how much we have, but how much we surrender to Christ.

4. Accept God's actions

The fourth response to God's grace is accepting all God does and permits with complete faith and love. God's ways may not be like as we wants. Often the intervention of God in our lives may not be understandable and beyond our knowledge. Acts 11:17 talks on the gift of Holy Spirit to the gentiles. Thus far the Jewish Christians including the Apostles were thinking that the Holy Spirit is an exclusive gift for the Jews only. God who is the creator of all and treats everyone alike gave the gift to the gentiles and Peter convinced the Jewish believers

that ‘**Who was I**’ to think that I could stand in God’s way. We cannot resist God and His plans. Submitting ourselves to God’s actions in our lives is the best thing we can ever do in our lives. He knows the past, present and the future, hence God’s plans are the perfect one. Acts 11:17, ‘So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, **who was I** to think that I could stand in God’s way?’

5. Passion

The fifth response to God’s grace is filling our hearts by passion with things that passionate the heart of God. Jesus in His great commission commanded us to preach the gospel into all nations. And Mark 16:16 says that whoever does not believe will be condemned. When we understand, “who am I” for God to loved us so much to sent His only begotten Son Jesus Christ to suffer and die on the cross so that we may be saved; that passion for souls must fill our whole being and that must be our foremost priority in life.

The prophet Jeremiah as per Jeremiah 20:7, decided not to preach the Word of God because he was ridiculed and mocked. Jer.20:7, “You deceived me, LORD, and I was deceived; you overpowered me and prevailed. I am ridiculed all day long; everyone mocks me”. But in verse 9, he said God’s word was in his heart like a fire, a fire shut up in his bones and he was weary of holding it in” Jer. 20:9 But if I say, “I will not mention his word or speak any more in his name, his word is in my heart like a fire,

a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot”

What kind of passion on perishing souls we have and how is our involvement to fulfil the passion God has to save all people? Have we prioritize in our lives the work of great commission of reaching people with good news.

God has blessed us and given us titles to be called as His children, though we don’t deserve or worthy for the privilege, God did it through His grace and mercy. The same way God has blessed and used FMPB for His glory and purpose. How can we respond to that immeasurable love and grace of God? We can be humble, having faith, surrendering our lives, accepting God’s actions in our lives and having passion for the souls. This may be the responses of us as individuals and of the organisation.

Romans 8:32 further expands this grace and mercy saying “He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

FMPB and we can boldly enter into 2024, holding the above verse which says, “how will He not graciously give us all things?”. May all of us remember every day and every moment about our unworthiness and God’s grace and mercy. Bless you all a Christ centered new year.

- Rev. John Berlin S.
FMPB - General Secretary

Fallen Corn of Wheat!



Mrs. Gnanapushpam Sigamony

(21.12.1946 - 13.11.2023)

Mrs. Gnanapushpam Sigamony is the wife of late Mr. Sigamony, our senior missionary. As Mr. Sigamony worked in a company in Tharagadhara in Tuticorin district till 1980, he got involved with ministry of FMPB as a Prayer group leader in Tiruchendur district. Later when he resigned his job and joined FMPB as full-time Mobilization Secretary, Mrs. Gnanapushpam Sigamony obediently accepted her husband's commitment

to serve God Full-time and helped him in his ministry. She grew all her 4 children in the fear of God and supported the ministry through her prayer and sacrificial giving. She also encouraged and sent her two sons. Dr. J.J Harris and Mr. John Paul Harris to join as full-time missionaries in FMPB. Her deep commitment, perseverance, the art of handling tough situations patiently, greatly helped her husband and her two children to last in the ministry. She spent her last few years meditating the Word of God and praying.

Later her heart became very weak and she stayed with her younger daughter for few years. She spent her last few months in her elder daughter's house and few days in her elder son's house in Chennai. Her heart became too weak that she breathed her last on November 13th 2023 at 6pm in her 77 years of age and reached the feet of Jesus. Her mortal remains were laid to rest in her family tomb near her husband's tomb at her native place - Kulathuvilai on 14th November 2023 at 3pm with the hope of resurrection. Let's pray for the peace of her family members.

- Rev. Dr. J. J. Harris

FIELD VISITS JHARKHAND



We a team from Ambasamudram mobilization area reached Jhansi in Uttar Pradesh on 9th October. We took part in the fasting prayer conducted in the National Institute of Missions

campus. We reached Barharwa on 13th October and visited the Pandeni school where the Malto believers' children are getting eductated. We visited the Damni field and attended the service there. On 14th visited the Haripur LTI and prayed for the Malpaharia people group in that field. On 15th October a Church built by Mr. Jebamani and Mr. Issac families (St. John's Church) in Sikaripara field in Durgapur district was dedicated for the glory of God. We reached home on 17th October praising God for the commitmet of each missionary and the spiritual thirst in every believer.

- Hon. Mobilization Secretary, Ambasamudram.



ORISSA

God enabled us to visit the mission fields in Jashipur, and Rimuli in Orissa from 14th to 19th October 2023. We were able to meet our believers in HO and Santal people groups and to know about their culture and to

witness the programmes enacted by the children in Sakkadi Children's Home. We were able to see the first church built by FMPB in the village Jamuti. On 15th, we participated in the dedication service of the church building in the village Kalicaprasadh sponsored by the Annanagar Prayer groups and were immensely happy. We were much burdened to pray for our missionaries who were serving the Lord by sharing the Gospel crossing through difficult and dangerous hills and terrains. We returned back to our houses on 19th October with a decision to share with others about this work.

- FMPB, Annannagar Chennai

ODISHA



A team of 11 left from the Royapuram and Tondaiyarpet went to visit the mission fields in Odisha (Utkal Region) on October 16th. We visited 8 fields along with the missionaries and were able

to praise the Lord through singing and dancing along with the believers. We also visited the 3 places donated sacrificially by the believers themselves to build Churches. We prayed with a burden that the Lord may raise people to build Churches in all the 3 places. On 22nd we worshipped the Lord along the missionaries and the hostel children in Saakadi home. That day we also visited the Juang and Ho people groups and prayed and decided to pray everyday that they too may inherit the heavenly realms. We reached back home on 24th October.

- **Hon. Mobilization Secretary**, Royapuram & Tondiarpet.



MAHARASHTRA

With an intention of viewing the mission fields spread across the Deccan Region, all five us from Villivakkam mobilization area left on 12th October 2023. Our visit to

three mission fields made us happy as we joined with the believers in singing songs of worship with them. On 14th we had the privilege of dedicating the LTI center in Pandhevahi to the glory of God which was built on behalf of our area members. It was a joyful time when we spent time with the children in Allapali Children Home which gave us a satisfaction spiritually. On 15th we joined the believers of Vittalvadi village church in worship service. In the afternoon we were much burdened and decided to pray for the salvation of both the Raj Gonds and Madia Gonds. We are thankful to the missionaries for their warm welcome and hospitality and carrying the vision we boarded the train and reached Chennai on 16th October 2023.

- **FMPB**, Villivakkam



PUNJAB and HARYANA

On October 18th, an eleven-member team from Dindugul district, proceeded to visit the mission fields in Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh fields. We

joined the believers in worshipping our Lord and listened to the marvelous things God had been doing among them. All the eleven of us were spiritually edified and with much prayer burden came back to our houses. We praise God for the ministries being done there.

- **Mobilisation Secretary** - Dindugul

FIELD VISIT & CHURCH DEDICATION CHHATTISGARH



By God's immense grace we left Perambur on 21.10.2023 and reached Ambikapur railway station on 22.10.2023 and took part in Pakatpura church Youth Camp. All of us, five people together enjoyed witnessing the dance, songs and skits enacted and

glorified our Lord Jesus. We met the children in Pathalgaon Childrens' Home and had our night's rest in the Kadambhara Regional office. The next day on 23rd we were delighted to take part along with 300 believers in the dedication service of the church building built through our the mobilization area. On 24th we participated in the youth camp held for 400 youth, in the premises of the New Jerusalem church. We boarded the train in the evening in Jerusakooda and reached Chennai. This visit was indeed a blessing to us and we thank all the missionaries for their help and hospitality.

- **Honorary Promotional Secretary**, Perambur

Missionary Dedications



For the glory of God two missionaries Jeewer Joeswa and his wife Priya Devi from Jammu were dedicated at on November 19th at Athmala Rakshana Sangham Church at Nuzvid in Andhra Pradesh. We praise God for the sponsoring group.



To the glory of God on 19th November nine missionaries were dedicated at Emmanuel Benny's Church Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh. We thank God for all the sponsors who are supporting and praying for the missionaries.

- Rev. Ramamuni JBV Prasad



**Mumbai
Missionaries
Dedication**

50 missionaries were dedicated in the Western Mumbai SCAN meeting that took place on November 4th. This meeting was presided by Rev. R. S Mani (Methodist - Thane), Rev. Justin Pushparaj (Methodist- Borivilli), Rev. Jebamani (CNI- Goregoan), Rev. John Rollen (CNI-All Souls Church) and Rev. Rajamani (Methodist-Mira Road) at the Borivilli Methodist Church for the glory of God. May the Lord bless each missionary sponsors who had come forward to support our missionaries through prayer and finance.

- Rev. R. Arulmony, Mobilization Secretary- West Mumbai



Fallen Corn of Wheat!



NATHANIEL LOGARAJ

(1952 - 2023)

Born in an orthodox Hindu family, Nathaniel Logaraj was brought up with strict discipline in its elements. When a Christian worker visited to pray for his relative who was admitted in the Government Hospital, through his love and concern came to know about Jesus Christ. He was in contact with the Madras Bible League, and gained more knowledge about Jesus and the ministries. He got involved with the Bible League friends who were singing songs and preaching the Gospel in the streets and shared his testimony and started preaching. In the year 1974, he totally surrendered himself to the full-time ministry and

was baptized. He started preaching the Word independently and in 1975, he joined FMPB..

He was sent to Jhansi to learn Hindi language and soon joined Bro. Hilkiah, the very first missionary, to serve God in the mission field - Basti. Staying true to his commitment of going to anyplace God sends, he served God in UP, MP and Rajasthan. In 1981 he held the hand of Mrs. Baby Nathaniel in marriage and together they were placed in Waghai among the Kukna people group.

That was a time when the Kuknas were turning in large numbers to the fold of Christ Jesus. In fulfilling the vision of the Vasavas spread across the southern part of Gujarat, he along with Bro. Victor Murugesan, his co-worker pioneered and opened up a field in Akkalkuwa and worked among the Vasava tribes. These twin-like brothers set up the fire of the Lord in the hearts of the people that today we are able to witness well established strong Churches in that area.

This pioneer and model missionary was sent to Kutch to plant Churches in that dry area. He was able to win a few souls and planted a Church. Handing over the Church to another worker, he moved to Bethel Bible Institute, in Salem to teach to the young recruits, in obedience to the organisation's placement.

He was able to develop the Pipalwada mission field and the training institute with his teaching skills. In the midst of these responsibilities, he equipped himself further with B.Th., B.D., and M.Th degrees. Finally he worked in Bhopal in promoting the cause of the mission and after his 37 years of ministry he voluntarily retired from the service in 2012. Settled in Tambaram, he was helping in the Promotional network while taking care of his wife Baby Nathaniel who was suffering from Cancer. He was shocked when he too developed symptoms of cancer. He was under

treatment and on Nov.18th 2023 in his 71st year God called himself into His Kingdom. The Churches established by the multi lingual missionary who was well versed in the languages of Tamil, English, Hindi, Gujarati, Kukna, Vasava, Marati, are shining and witnessing the light of Jesus. There is no doubt that the missionaries who were trained by him will continue to speak of him in the days to come. Kindly pray for the bereaved family- his wife Baby Nathaniel who is affected by Cancer and his adopted son Joy Shalom's family.

- Rev. D. Abraham

FIELD VISIT

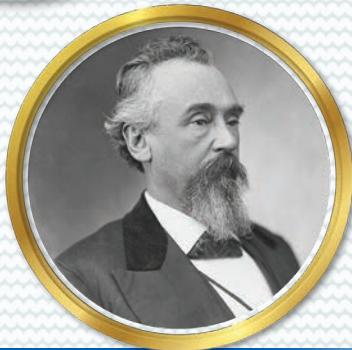
Erode Mobilization



Around 28 members from the district of Erode reached Jammu on 26th October 2023. That evening we had a time of prayer along with the missionaries.

Following that we visited the India-Pakistan border and the soldiers posted there. Then we had a time of worship with the believers of RS Pura field which is situated in the borders. Just half an hour after leaving the borders there was shooting from the Pakistan borders. It was a spine-chilling experience to all the prayer group members. On 27th we visited Narot field and attended the believers meet. God healed a boy named Gulshan who was lame and blind. Now there is a worship conducted every week in his house. That evening we attended the evening meeting conducted in Samba field. On 28-29 we went for sight seeing to places like Sonamargh. We reached Erode on 2nd November. We reached our homes with the passion for the ministry which had still more increased and decided to pray more, give more and to build more Churches. We thank all the missionaries, local evangelists and the believers who showed love to all of us.

TRAIL BLAZERS



JAMES CHALMERS

The missionary who explored the South West Pacific, New Guinea.

Missionary James Chalmers 1841 – 1901 who boldly proclaimed the Good News of the Gospel, amidst man eating treacherous tribals who were uncivilized at New Guinea, once said that he grew very anxious for the unsaved people whenever he came closer to Jesus.

James at the end became a prey to those tribals. At present 96 percentage of the inhabitants of that Island are Christians. Once they were man eaters but now, they

worship God in truth and in spirit. James Chalmers paid the price for the People's salvation. He was born on 4th August 1841 to Aberdonian, a stone Mansion at Scotland. He committed himself to ministry at his 18th year during a Revival meeting at his hometown where he experienced God's Love and was Saved. He joined the London Missionary Society after his Bachelor's Degree at his 28th year.

He went to Rarotonga Islands in May 1867 as a missionary. He quickly and passionately learnt their language and conveyed Christ's love for them in their own language. He stayed 10 years there and led them from the power of Darkness into True Light, Jesus.

His ministry at New Guinea Islands:

James Chalmers in the year 1817 when he was 36 years old, left to New Guinea, which is to the North of Australia, along with his wife. Those days the tribals of that Island were cannibals. He never carried with him

any weapons to protect himself when he went among them to say about the love of Jesus, because he did not want to scare them away, and make them think that he came to harm him. He was filled with compassion for those dangerous tribals. So, he risked his life to spread God's Love among them. He was the first person to reach out the 90 villages in that island with the Gospel of Christ

He became a prey to those cannibals:

8 April 1991 was an Easter Sunday. A day before this day James Chalmers went to a nearby Island, Goaribari in a Boat. The tribals there gathered around him. He sensed some danger. So, he did not leave the boat but immediately came back to his place. The next day after the Easter service he went to the same island with his friend Oliver Tomskin to preach the Good News of Christ's Resurrection. They were invited by the tribals with great enthusiasm. They were led into DUBU specially built hut for entertainment, where the tribals let the people and fought with them until they gave up and then they would eat them up. Same thing happened to these missionaries. Dubu, is a

hut made up of wood and adorned with skulls. While the missionaries were looking at them, they suddenly attacked them and in a few minutes, they were cut into pieces and were dropped into the boiling stew. The missionaries became their prey while they were preaching Jesus. As a result of this costly price paid, we have 96 percentage of the 7-crore population of the island as Christians today in that place.

Even at this time of 21st century there exist such man eaters in our planet. 11 people along with the cook who supplied food to a hostel at Nigeria were arrested for selling human flesh. Moreover, in Syria Bharupadi reported that he too opened the chest of the Young military officers and took off their hearts and ate them just to please his god. Even in our country the well-to-do and the politicians are so believing in superstitious things that they slaughter infants at the advice of the magicians and eat their flesh, an awful condition. This land of ours is in need of youth who at the cost of their lives would take the love of God to such people with great determination.

- Mercy Selwyn
(Communication Department)



Happy Birthday

MR. KONKA GIRI BABU, MR. GIN SAWM
MR. MEENUGA ADEPPA MATTHEW
MRS. SARITA PAUL CHAUDHARY RAJESH

Jammu & Kashmir

Jammu: Vasave Elesh Prabhu & Sunita

Praise God: For the deliverance of Bittudevi, Anithadevi, Nettudevi, Poonamdevi and Anuradha from the bondage of the evil spirit in response to fervent prayers. The Itwari family of Kotli village who were untraceable for a month returned to their village safely in response to prayers. Rehobok received a good job as he took it to the Lord in prayer.

Pray: For Anudevi who is suffering with her two children to obtain a job for sustaining her livelihood after her husband deserted her. For Sunita from Sukraose village being tormented by an evil spirit, to receive deliverance. For Alwin from Akarsak village to receive his vision. For the believers to be able to find opportunities to share the Gospel to their relatives.

Noushera: Sianlunthang Zou & Lhingneihoi

Praise God: For a new worship group started in Lambari village. Two families have given an invite for us to conduct

a spiritual meet at Mela village. God's Grace enabled a widow with two children to find a job in a Government School to sustain her livelihood. For the spiritual growth of the Sarisiyal congregation amidst the persecution and troubles they face.

Pray: For the new believers of Androla, Kalyana and Mamberi village to confess their faith in Christ boldly. For the Lord to bestow a child to a new believer Virti Devi. For our believers to find opportunities to share the Gospel to their relatives.

Samba: Ayyanar M & Manpreet Kour

Praise God: For the 3 new persons who confessed their faith in Jesus Christ and became believers. For the open doors and good receptivity to the Gospel prevailing in Saida and Batyari villages. For the healing received by Mehabooth of Saida village suffering from a spinal cord infirmity when he took it to the Lord in prayer. For the many women who regularly attend the women's meet. For the village leaders of Kota and Sakmanga village who extend their help and support to the ministry.

Pray: For a good receptivity for the Gospel to prevail in Subh, Pongval and Sungvali villages. For Palveer of Kota village to be delivered from an evil spirit possession. For Rambal of Patvari village to be healed from the injury caused in his hand due to an accident and to be able to work again. For those who oppose the Gospel and the ministry in Radian village to experience the love of Jesus.



Happy Birthday

MRS. MEKALI CHELVI PRABAHAR
MR. NATHAN KUMAR BEBARATA
MRS. MAHALE YEMANBEN BHANGSINGH
MR. MUNNA MOHENDIAR, MR. UPDESH KUMAR
MR. RAUT SUBHASHBHAI LAHNUBHAI

Narot: Jeewer Joeswa & Priya

Praise God: For the 7 new persons who accepted the Lord Jesus Christ and joined the fold of believers. For Deepu of Hatti village who was unable to walk due to a boil in her leg, received healing when she came to the Church and prayed. For the Church service at Thallore village which was earlier stopped has been restarted for the Glory of God. For the good receptivity for the Gospel in Kuda village. For the deliverance received by Ajay from the bondage of an evil spirit.

Pray: For the healing of Vacham of Kamilsook village as she is unable to lead her prayer group due to her sickness. For the repentance of those who oppose the construction of the Church at Nanan village. For bedridden Sathya of Suda village to receive healing from the Lord. To get the opportunities to proclaim the Gospel in the villages of Kachuda District and for the efforts taken to be successful.

Himachal Pradesh Rohru: Johnson Sankar & Jebarani J

Praise God: For the Nepali new

believers Sarndh Santhosh and Sirjana who had an arranged Christian wedding as a testimony to those who attended it in contrast to their culture of elopement and subsequently getting married. For the youth camps conducted in Sorala and Limra villages. For the safe return of Surendhar back to his home after 18 months even as his family members desperately sought the Lord in prayer for his return.

Pray: For Sunil, Sandeep, Arun and Ganesh to be able to secure a good job. For jailed Gyanchandh to repent of his sins and be subsequently released from prison in response to the faithful prayers of his father. For the healing of Manju from sinusitis and thyroid problems.

Thanedar: Jebarson & Gayathri C

Praise God: For the prayer walk organised and conducted in 10 places. 191 people received the Gospel tracts that were distributed. For the reconciliation that happened between the families of Vimala and Chandra after many years of strife and enabled them to come to the Church. For our young believer Deepak, whose marriage was well organized in a Christian manner much to the amazement of the villagers.

Pray: For the 3 families who are prepared for the public confession of their faith in Christ to overcome the obstacles they face in their journey of faith. For a new believer Geetha to find opportunities to lead her family to Jesus. For the health and safety of our missionaries and their new born baby in the upcoming cold season.



Himachal Region: Thsangse Sangtam & Zuchano Yanthan

Praise God: For the opportunity to pray with the 45 families in their homes, who listened to the Gospel being shared. When the believers fasted and prayed, the Lord delivered Lakshmi and her whole family from the bondage and torment of evil spirit. For the reconciliation of the families of Chandran and Virmala in response to prayers. For the Lord's protection upon 9 missionaries and Local evangelist's families in all their mission travel during the rainy season.

Pray: For the repentance of Roshanlal who has backslidden in his faith and is now preventing his family from attending the Church, to come back to the love of Jesus. For an appropriate place which is hard to be found for conducting the worship service at Baranu and Attal villages, because of opposition to the Christian faith. Pray that even those who oppose our faith may experience the salvation of Jesus Christ. For Sunil Meera family to be strengthened in their faith.

Karsog: Pawan Kumar & Prabhashini Devi

Praise God: For the new contacts established in Kambara and Kat

villages. For the proclamation of the Gospel in 11 villages through the Jeep Ministry. For Jairam who has committed as a volunteer for missionary work in Jalari village. For the Adult literacy programme being conducted in Basandhpur Church; many villagers take part eagerly. For Swapna who is a living witness for the Lord in her village by her testimony.

Pray: For the Lord to touch the lives of Sunil – Mira family who hinders the work of the Gospel. For a worship service to be started at the earliest in Kambara and Kat villages. For the 5 -year - old son of our missionary to secure an admission in a school in Dehradun. For the work of the Holy Spirit in the lives of those who have heard the Gospel in the 11 villages we had reached out in our ministry.

Punjab

Batala: Valvi Nethaji Dadu & Kalpana

Praise God: For the new families of Suman and Rita who have started to attend the Church. For the more than 500 persons who viewed the Jesus film screened at Mukrimela village. After many days of persistent prayers, the Lord blessed the families of Rajesh and Peter with a child.

Pray: For the repentance of an Army veteran Nishanth Singh who is keen on stopping the Church worship service at Dhivanilal village. For the decree issued by the Thupsali village people to prevent the Gospel being proclaimed in their village to be revoked. For the healing of the fractured hand of 6year old Roshan. For the deliverance of Rita from evil spirit possession.



Happy Birthday

MRS. IVY MARGARET NICHOLSON

MRS. BAGIYAM CORNELIYU

MR. PUMSONCHIN, MR. LAL KISHOR MURMU

Budhlada: Sanjib Anand & Prastuta; Pratap Rathang & Reshma

Praise God: For the 5 persons who had a public confession of their faith in Jesus Christ. For the villages of Bhagwanshipura, More, Sarsingh and Sukramsingh where the Satsang was conducted and many people participated in this musical programme. About 1750 people witnessed the Jesus film which was screened in 5 villages.

Pray: For Vimalsingh, Lovpreeth, Rohith, Mukesh, Nonane, Manoj and Raji who show interest in the Gospel, to be led to accept Christ as Saviour in their lives. For the night meetings to be started in Pathinthada, Bahadha, Dhalvandi, Rampura, and Sangatmandi villages. For the Salvation and repentance of Dharsam, Lakshman, Radhesiyam, Karan, Kuldeep and Indhiresh who have stopped coming to the Church because of their addiction to alcohol, to relinquish this evil habit and come back to the Church.

Barnala: Bidhan Hansda & Pansuri

Praise God: For Rathna who suffered a lot due to blood clots was healed

due to prayer. When we prayed for the upliftment of ministry, the Lord raised up Geetha and her son Suman to commit themselves as volunteers for ministry. Many people came forward to watch the Jesus film being screened at two places.

Pray: For Bhindersingh family to receive divine comfort in the loss of his beloved father. For Manju Gowri's husband to have a change of heart as he continues to bring idols to the house for worship against the desires of his wife. For Nanasingh, Sursevak Singh, Gopisingh and Devsingh to grow steadfast in their faith as they prepare themselves for a public confession of their faith in Jesus Christ.

Moga: Justin Y & Saral Janci Rani

Praise God: For the family of Gurdheer – Virpal Kaur who confessed Christ as their personal Saviour. For the healing received by Seema of Jalabad village from TB as a result of prayers offered in faith. For the protection of Amrinder Singh from an accident. For the backslidden family of Mittu Singh who repented and came back to the Church and joined the fellowship of believers.

Pray: For the repentance of the husband of Goldi who is preventing her from going to the Church. For Sheela suffering domestic abuse from her husband and for her husband to repent and taste the love of Jesus. For Biyanath of Ajithlal Church who was attacked by unidentified miscreants and is hospitalised with injuries to receive healing by the blood of Jesus. For believers Raji Kaur, Jyothi, Kajol to find Christian life partners.



Happy Birthday

MR. SURESH MALTO
MRS. EVANJALIN SAMRAJ
MISS. MANISHA LAKRA
MISS. LHINGEICHONG

Ahmedgarh Mandi: Krupa Rakshana & Shakena S

Praise God: 2 persons have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. New worship groups have been established in Minisoppar and Talore villages. For 2 year old Kuldeep who fell into a water tank accidentally while playing with his friends and almost drowned, but by the Grace of God was quickly rescued and his life was saved. For the deliverance of Manpreet and Reetu from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the prayer group in Tulkot, Rampur and Maloth villages which had stopped functioning to be restarted. For an open door to prevail for the proclamation of the Gospel in Kokathpedi, Kankaval and Makran Kalan villages. For the fruitful conduct of women's, youth and children meets that are planned for the upcoming month.

Malwa Region: Chittaranjan Tandy & Tejaswita

Praise God: A new women's fellowship has been started at Mallabasthi village. The strife in Gangaram family between members of his family has been peacefully resolved after the members prayed for a reconciliation to happen. The Lord blessed Vicky's family with a child in response to prayers. The deliverance from the bondage and torment of an evil spirit experienced by Sindhar Kaur when she came to the Church and prayed unto the Lord, and returned home in peace.

Pray: When Ramjot Kaur of Baskana village was conducting a youth meet, she suddenly swooned with a severe stomach ache. Her relatives said that God was punishing her for embracing the Christian faith. But the Lord healed her and she still continues living as a testimony for the Lord in her village. For Parith Singh of Baskana village who opposes the Christian work to encounter Jesus in his life and repent. For new contacts, Baskaran Singh, Surlal Singh, Kukku Singh and Dungar Singh to be delivered from their addiction to alcohol.



Happy Birthday

MR. JENNIS J.B.

Haryana Ratia:

Karthikeyan & Jeyanthi

Praise God: For the successful conduct of Women's meet and Satsang programmes. For Balvendar Singh who experienced deliverance from addiction to drugs and is now attending the Church regularly. For the healing of our Local evangelist's son from a serious ailment.

Pray: For the start of Women's meet and Satsang and prayer groups to be speedily organised in this field. For Gurvindher Singh suffering from a kidney ailment to receive healing. For Ravi, Rinku, Sunil and Ashol to find good jobs. For the Lord to bless Gurpreeth and Jesmar family with a child.

Jeevan Nagar: Aliyakim Jena & Deepika

Praise God: For Silaraman's daughter Kamal who was delivered from the bondage to the evil spirit when believers joined together and prayed. For the life transformation experienced by Basdevan's son Ajay who used to pick up quarrels and fights in every gathering

God softened him when the Church prayed for his repentance. Deepika Jena our missionary who suffered an injury in her leg is completely healed.

Pray: Because of the growth of our ministry in the Raniya field, we need committed Local evangelist to join us in our mission. For Sandeep, Dhana, Harman, Beeta and Ajay's faith to grow and be led to confess Jesus Christ as Lord in their lives. Pray for Praveen, Nimrath and Harpreeth families to be blessed with a boy child.

Fetehbad: David S. & Jeba Grace

Praise God: Two persons confessed their faith in Jesus Christ and were added to the fold of believers. The wedding of Jithender and Kushbu was conducted as a Christian marriage solemnized in the Church of Bathiya colony for the Glory of God. For the safe delivery, the Lord granted to Girishma of Dhariyapur village. A Soul winners training programme was conducted successfully for the believers of Ashok Nagar Church.

Pray: For the salvation of the families of Ranindher, Devidas and Manoj who evince interest in the Gospel. For the neighbours of Jesse, a believer in the Gurudhwara Souk area who vehemently oppose her because of her Christian faith, to have a change of heart. Also pray that Jesse's ear pain would be healed and her landlord would permit her to conduct a prayer meeting in her house.



Happy Birthday

MR. RAMESHWAR DAYAL NIRMAL

Haryana Region: P G Christopher & Mabel

Praise God: About 33 people have confessed their faith in Jesus Christ in this region in the past two months. For the prayer group leaders from Dindugal and North Chennai who had visited our field and encouraged our people. For Bhuttasingh from Uttarkhand who had come to our field with a hand severely affected by Leprosy, started attending our church and began to pray with the believers. The Lord strengthened his hand and there is a significant healing that is in progress. For Pooja who was praying fervently for means to sustain her livelihood has bought a sewing machine and opened a tailoring shop. Subash of Vaipoor has started conducting a prayer meet in his own house which the Lord enabled him to build.

Pray: For the Lord's protection upon our mission worker Premchandh of Kasyabadh who is constantly being

persecuted, threatened and facing the threat of physical abuse from the oppressors living in his area. For Rina who lost her voice due to a fever, to be healed and to regain her voice. For Satdhasingh of Kalanvali village who suffered a snake bite and was infected with poison, recovered well. For the procurement of land in Panakoda village for the construction of a Church.

Tosham: Ajay Barde

Praise God: For protecting a youth Mithlesh who slipped and fell from the vehicle in which he was returning from the Sunday worship and escaped with minor injuries. For Mindu family of Bhojraj village who were blessed with a child by the Grace of God. For Kayani who was unable to attend the Church service because of her illness, recovered well by prayer and is now able to come back to the Church.

Pray: For Bansilal of Biran village who is sick due to the cold season and is unable to work, to recover well from his illness. For a new contact Maran family of Balavas village who is undergoing constant suffering to be delivered from all his troubles by the Grace of God. For the repentance of Bansi of Parsi village who is a drunkard and prevents his family from attending the Church.



Kalanwalli:

Vijayakumar R & Jebala S

Praise God: For the 30 children who attended the Children's meet and the 20 youth who attended the youth meet which were conducted and received the guidance of the Lord. For the Lord's protection over Bitusingh of Thathu road who encountered a poisonous snake residing in his house. For the repentance of Raji Kaur of Kalanvali village who left our ministry, and is now causing confusion and trouble among our believers.

Pray: For the healing of Mogindha Kaur, mother-in-law of our local evangelist struggling from an infection all over her body, to receive healing. For the healing of the daughter of our new believer Sathpal of Bahari village suffering from Polio and his wife suffering from TB, not to lose their faith over their suffering. For the new believers in Gayana village – the families of Besant, Pal Kaur and Arsh Kaur to grow in their faith.

Uttarakhand

Dineshpur:

Ramaswamy Jerome & Anthoni Rajam

Praise God: For the good receptivity

of the people to the Gospel shared in Ramchandpur village. A new night meeting has been started. For the Church believers who had migrated to other states in search of work, have returned safely to their respective villages. For Pushpa of Putpaj village who received deliverance from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For Radha of Ramchandpur, a new comer to the Church to be blessed with a child after 5 years of barrenness. For the Lord to raise up a spiritual leader to lead the prayer meet in Saidaiganj village and the work of the Holy Spirit to move the hearts of the people. For Kalim of Sirilanka village to receive deliverance from the possession of evil spirit.

Maldhanchour:

Shishu Pal & Anita

Praise God: Two persons have confessed Jesus as Lord and Saviour in their lives. For a new worship group that was started in Karailpuri village by the Grace of God. For the deliverance of Deepa and Ananjal from the possession of an evil spirit.

Pray: For the new contacts in Sivanandhpur, Jagipas and Bhirumdhara villages to grow in their faith and know the Lord deeply. For the salvation of Karen, Manish, Indhirapal, Gurnal and Akhlesh. For the renovation of the Madhan Nagar Church to be completed at the earliest.



Bazpur: Christian Prakash & Sumithraben

Praise God: Because of the faithful and fervent prayers of Dhisha a believer, her family members who were unresponsive to the Gospel so far has started receiving Christ into their lives one after another with the passing of time. By the power of prayer, Sukindher and Prakash was delivered from their bondage to Satanic forces. For the proclamation of the Gospel in 3 villages by the Outreach Ministry conducted in them.

Pray: For Simran an invalid for the past 10 years to receive healing. For Bhojasingh to be delivered out of his poverty. For Bappusingh of Bansardhat village who is suffering from a cyst in his kidneys to receive healing. For the 110 people who received Gospel tracts in 3 villages to read the tract and to believe in scriptures by the work of the Holy Spirit.

Kitcha: Bibhaba Pani & Bithika Pani

Praise God: For the new mission field opened by the Grace of God. For the Gospel proclaimed in 5 villages. Two new contacts have invited us to conduct prayer meetings in their houses. Anrot's family is an able help in the ministry.

The mission field is classified into Kicha, Sakthiparm and Bandh nagar and a survey is undertaken.

Pray: For the Gospel to be proclaimed in all the 95 villages present in this Region. For the Bahari people group which is a majority in this area to hear the Gospel and experience Salvation. For an open door to prevail among them for the Gospel. For Ranjith's family evincing interest in the Gospel to be led to personal faith in Christ Jesus. For the problems besetting Ranki's family to be solved by prayers.

Rajasthan Alwar & Children's Home: Bangaru Naidu & Eemandi

Praise God: The Gospel was proclaimed for the first time in Thenada village. The power of prayer enabled Anilkumar to purchase his own autorickshaw. The Lord enabled Tinku to complete her studies in law successfully. In a miracle, the people of Sirmor village who would stiffly oppose the Gospel for a long time, listened patiently when an effort was taken for the proclamation of the Gospel.

Pray: For Kajol, Kushbul, Rithika, Swapna, Sania, Siloni and Vicky whose hearts are prepared to confess Christ as Lord in their lives and to be strengthened in their faith. For the healing of our local evangelist Sohansingh whose kidneys are affected. For the procurement of a suitable land in Samroda and Gandhiga villages for the construction of a Church.



Happy Birthday

MR. JOSHUA CHINNADURAI S.
MR. SANJIB ANAND, MR. PAULUS BARJO
MR. SELVAM THAVAMANI, MRS. HAOJAM HIJAM
MR. SANTHAKUMAR J.

Khajuwala / Anupgarh: Kumar V & Patricia Tamil Selvi

Praise God: For Suguna affected with paralysis was healed and is now able to do her household chores. For a bedridden Gakhasingh who was invalid due to a sickness has now opened his eyes, speak and intake food due to prayers. For the youths of our mission field who had gone for promotional mission trips to Tamilnadu have come back encouraged after witnessing the Churches and the prayer group's prayers for the new believers.

Pray: For the financial upliftment of Monisha who is a backbone in children's ministry and for other women to be inspired to volunteer for ministry. For the Gospel proclamation to happen unhindered in the upcoming months. Manisha's Goverment issued certificate has a typographical error where it mentions her education as 8th grade in place of 5th grade to be rectified without any hassles in order for her to continue her education without suffering a break.

Hanumangarh: Mudhavathu Raju Naik & Jhansibai

Praise God: Seven-year-old Ramsingh who was vomiting blood was healed from a critical state by the prayers of his parents. For the new contacts established in Ganganagar village. The Lord blessed Sonu with a beautiful baby in response to her prayers.

Pray: For Malkesh suffering from a lung infection to receive healing. For Prakash who has an infection in his blood to be healed. For Makanbai who suffers from a fever for a long time, to receive complete healing. For the planned Gospel outreach ministry for the next month to be successfully conducted.

Uttar Pradesh Tundla: Vasava Pachiyabai & Savita Ben

Praise God: For the blessing of a child to Rajveer of Beersobath village after 10 years of married life in response to the faithful prayers offered by them in the Church. For the follow up ministry happening in 10 villages and 50 persons who heard the Gospel through personal evangelism. For the eager listening of the Gospel by the people of Sinnari village.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the believers of the Tundla Congregation. For the Salvation of Ramesh, Sathish and Mahesh of Sinnari village who evince interest in the Gospel. For the spiritual blessings of the efforts taken for the proclamation of the Gospel in Sirkanj areas.



Happy Birthday

MRS. JEYA HELEN ROSE SELVAKUMAR

Basti: Srinivasan J & Sheeba G

Praise God: For God's faithfulness in helping the missionary to fulfil his ministry in Kanpur for 5 years and now taking charge of the ministry in Basti. The Lord helped him to visit the 14 blocks of this mission field, visit all the congregations and study them. The Wedding ceremony of our local evangelist Amith Kumar was blessed by the Lord.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the ministry in all the 14 blocks of this mission field. For the protection of our mission workers and our believers. For a fanatic religious group which stormed our worship service held in Ruthali village and disrupted it and went away, to taste the Love of our Lord Jesus. For our believers to be strengthened in their faith amidst these persecutions.

Ghatampur: Jangkholun Touthang & Ngai Thianching

Praise God: The Grace of God prevailed in releasing our missionary who was remanded for 23 days in judicial custody owing to a false case hoisted on him. When our missionary went through the path of suffering, the

Lord comforted our missionary when his mother-in-law passed unto eternity. The fasting prayer organised for the Ghatampur believers greatly edified the faith of our believers.

Pray: For the hearing of the false case on our missionary expected to be taken up by the Court, to result in the vindication of our missionary. The faithful prayers of our Church believers to continue in the Lord. For the Lord's blessings on all those whose efforts undertaken provided for the missionary to receive bail. For our believers not to lose their faith during times of persecution.

Jhinhak: Samarendra Singh & Susmita

Praise God: Rinku's wife Pooja of Etva village used to hurt herself and scream because of the torment of the evil spirit. Exhausted of trying all kinds of rituals and black magic and to no avail, they carried her to the Pulannagar Church for prayer. When our believers prayed in faith, she received deliverance at the very moment and returned back rejoicing in the Lord. Her whole family have put their faith in Jesus Christ. 10 persons have publicly confessed their faith in Jesus Christ. For Amroda village which was reached with the Gospel.

Pray: For Kaniga of Pampaya village to receive healing from TB. For Rubik a believer of Kanpur Church to be able to find a suitable life partner. Two Rajput families of Etva village to fearlessly confess their faith in Jesus Christ. For the Lord to bless Sangeetha, Najmeera and Radha with a child. For the Church Elders Amarsingh, Chotelal and Sushil to be responsible towards their duties in the Church.



Happy Birthday

MR. LAULIN BHUINYA

Madhya Pradesh

Pal: Venkatesh Wadder & Sheeba

Praise God: For the public confession of the faith of 3 persons upon the Lord Jesus Christ. For Suman of Bibulgura village who was suffering from mental depression and tried various means of getting healed to no avail. Finally, when the believers prayed for her, the Lord healed her. For the many women of Ruikeda, Pasali, Sokaparti, Bipulkura and Bolana villages who participated in the women's meet. For Dharsingh's son of Solaparti village who suffered an eye injury when an iron rod pierced his eye, underwent an eye surgery and recovered his sight on account of persistent prayers.

Pray: For the Lord to establish the life of Sunitha who was abused and driven out of her home by her abusive husband and for the repentance of her husband and the reconciliation to happen. For the village head man who stopped the Church service at Ambabani village to relent and have a change of heart. For the speedy recovery of Sarkar of Charmuli village who was injured in a house construction work and unable to walk.

Nepanagar:

Jubaraj Bardhan & Sheeba Jasmine

Praise God: For the Church construction work which was halted in Palklapet village on account of the sickness of the Church Elders Kondalal, Anil and Raikka, is continuing on account of their recovery. For the backslidden believers who started coming back to the Church in Gunpaida village. For the miraculous escape of Najana Gurusisingh when he was attacked by an angry buffalo.

Pray: For the Lord to provide a suitable Godly life partner to Rajesh the son of Vakkil Bai and Nangi Benin and for their efforts to be fruitful. For the healing of Mangaliya Bai who always senses something obstructive in her throat and struggles to speak. For the missionary family who is being transferred from Nepa nagar to Beembalner field to be able to find a suitable house to stay.



Intervene in Prayer!

A small group 6 believers' families in Sarkara village of Hansdiha field in Jharkhand worships the Lord. These believers were facing opposition from the beginning and when the Church elder died the severity of the opposition has increased. The people who oppose are breaking into the believers' houses and are conducting Poojas and other rituals by force. With no reasons they lay heavy penalty of Rs. Twenty-Five thousand and Fifty Thousand. So, when the head of the family in the Church Elder's house died, the whole family have backslidden to the old faith. Those families that were ready to publicly confess their faith in Jesus too have backslidden out of fear and strife. Let's intercede that the Lord would do a miracle in this Sarkara village and the believers to boldly endure the opposition and win over.





Happy Birthday

MR. SHAILEN HANSDA

Dabra: Saktikanta Paricha & Sagarika Pradhan

Praise God: For the 5 persons who accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and Lord of their lives. Our Children Home's old student's wedding was conducted in the Christian way to the Glory of God at Dabra village. For the backslidden family of Hatham Dekhdar family who have repented and come back to the Lord.

Pray: For the Church worship services to be started at the earliest in Dhai, Sultanpur, Jayagav and Kinonda villages. For the repentance of those who cause hindrance to our mission workers while going to lead the worship services in these areas. For the two local evangelists who have newly joined in the mission work to be faithful in their commitment to the Lord. For the successful completion of the Church construction work that is happening in the Premnagar area.

Guna:

Satheesh T & Sharmila A

Praise God: For the 10 persons who declared Christ as the Saviour of their lives. For the Gospel proclamation which happened in Biloda, Sunavani and Pokalmar villages. An illegal

hooch seller Samraj Jadav of Kargimov village accepted Christ into his life and renounced the evil habit of making and selling hooch. He is today an active worshipper in the Church. For the newly joined missionary Banesh Parol to be faithful in his commitment to the Lord.

Pray: For Manisha of Udhaypuri and Pulbai of Ganeshkeda village to be blessed with a child. For Andhipeti of Suvani village to be delivered from evil spirit possession. For the Lord to grant sleep to Mehandhibai of Gorikeda village who is suffering from sleeplessness for many months.

Udai Nagar: Wilson D & Rashmita

Praise God: For Karthik an 8 year old boy from Belakkal village, who was unable to walk for the past 6 years, was healed of his infirmity when he was brought to the Church for prayer and is now able to walk. For Jetin of Thillaiyagadi village who was tormented much by evil spirit, finally received deliverance when he came to the Church for prayer. The Bible classes are being conducted regularly in Bukukya, Ambajar and Rampura villages. For the 22 youth who attended the youth camp conducted in Dhanrekeda village and reaffirmed their lives in Christ.

Pray: For the deliverance of Santhilal of Avalikeda village who is being tormented by an evil spirit, which prevents him from sleeping or consuming food. The Gospel Mela planned to be conducted in Badak, Sithapuri and Janabani villages to be successful. For Mumma of Guvadi village to be healed from a nervous disorder by prayers offered in faith.



Happy Birthday

MR. ISSAC ABEL S.

Chiriya: Mahendran A & Pushpam

Praise God: 8 persons accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. For Sindhavodhiya of Rajguda village who lay unconscious with a very weak pulse rate, was revived when our believers gathered and prayed for his life. For God's merciful protection of Shoba and Lalbhai who encountered a snake bite and lived to testify about the Grace of Jesus Christ. By the persistent prayers of his wife, Rajesh relinquished his addiction to alcohol and is now attending the Church.

Pray: For Parubai of Kabardagi village to believe in the Gospel and his unbelieving son not to remain as a stumbling block in the faith journey of Parubai. For the healing of Sandhubai of Kargi village from TB. For Puribai of Dhamkeda village to be delivered from the possession of evil spirit. For the successful completion of the Gospel proclamation programmes planned for the upcoming month.

Niwali: Channamallappa & Roopa

Praise God: For the 43 persons who eagerly participated in the fasting

prayer and prayed fervently. For the screening of Jesus film in Jakuvada, Dungran and Rajmohalli villages. The Church Administrative Committee meet was conducted and the Church Elders took part responsibly. The Church construction at Kottiyabani was completed successfully.

Pray: For our Church Elder Munnabai to be healed of hematemesis (Internal bleeding and blood vomiting). For new contacts to be established in the villages where Jesus Film was screened. For the dedication of the Church at Kotiyabani to be held without any hindrances. For the fruitful conduct of the Spiritual Enrichment camp for the believers planned for the upcoming month.

Bihar Raniganj: Jeevanandhan M & Josephin Sheeba

Praise God: For the new contacts established in Jalagar area – Ranji Rishdev, Paulo Devi, Mukesh Rishdev, Kutty Devi, Ajaykumar, Manodoshkumar, Anjali Devi and Aradhana Kumari. For the many people who watched the Jesus film screened at Baluva village. For the follow up ministry conducted in Sakkibaluva and Mahathoor villages.

Pray: For the prayer call given by Priyanka of Dhiyari Majna village that the Lord would accomplish great things through this girl. For the new comers to the Church – Rishdev and Kutty Devi to be blessed with a child. For Asha Devi suffering from ulcer to be healed without the need for a surgery.



Happy Birthday

MRS. SHINY JOSEPH SURESH
MRS. SUGANTHI SOLOMON

Jharkhand

Santhal Dumka Region: Munna Mohinder & Sumitha Das

Praise God: For the 29 persons who newly confessed their faith in Christ Jesus. For the follow up ministry conducted in 19 villages and the Gospel proclamation which was done effectively in 23 villages. About 1500 people had the opportunity to hear the Good News. Many believers participated in the two-day fasting prayer which was conducted successfully.

Pray: For the repentance and change of heart of Sogagini Soren, Neelmuni Soren, Bilmuni Dudu, Bitiya Dudu, Bagam Dudu, Sakya Dudu. For our believers who will return to their own villages after the rainy season to retain their spiritual fervour and to be under the protection of our Lord. For the children of our believers who are enticed by the worldly pleasures, to be led to the Church by the work of the Holy Spirit.

Pathargama: Krishnan & Shanthi

Praise God: For the new member of our Church Rohan Ravi who had a miraculous escape from a bus

accident with only minor injuries. For the deliverance of Sambadevi from evil spirit possession. For the healing of Rubi Kumari from a kidney ailment. For the screening of Jesus film in Deloliya, Bahamara and Dobarani villages.

Pray: For Nageshwar Mosi, Durgadas, Umeshdas, Pradeep Das to have a change of heart and repent as they continue to oppose the Gospel and the Church. For the new believer Poonam Devi to be blessed with a child. For the confusion prevailing in the Sikalhara village to be resolved and oneness to prevail in Christ. For Rubi Devi, Samba Devi, Munni Devi and Bola Hemra to be healed of their various bodily ailments.

Hansdiha:

Timothy Senthilkumar & Muthuselvi

Praise God: For the 10 persons who have newly confessed Christ as their Lord and joined the fold of believers. For the open doors for the proclamation of the Gospel in Rajdhaka village. For the joyful celebration of the Harvest festival by our believers as they experienced an abundant harvest in their fields. For Vinpadhan of Sarkara village who experience deliverance from the bondage of evil spirit.

Pray: For our Church elder Pradhan Marandi who is providing shelter and care to his neighbour's wife and children after his neighbour's sudden death in spite of the constant opposition his neighbour had with him when he was alive. For the 6 new families who have started believing in Christ to overcome all the opposition they face from their villagers in Sakkaragrath village, and to live a blessed life in Christ.



Happy Birthday

MRS. DEBORAH D. ROSELYN ARULRAJ

Shikaripada: Sukanthokumar & Rani Sukantho

Praise God: For the 28 new persons who were led to commit their lives and confess Jesus as Lord and Saviour of their lives. For the sister of Deena Dudu, when the long suffering boil in her leg was healed when she was prayed upon with anointed prayer oil. For the healing received by Bitya Dudu of Sukiha village from Paralysis and her whole family accepted Christ in their lives. For the soul winners training programme conducted in two places for the Church Elders.

Pray: For the Lord to raise up committed young workers to serve as missionaries for the expansion of the mission work in West Bengal. For the repentance of certain mission workers who are instrumental in turning the faith of the believers by preaching a false Gospel. For the healing of Nani Dudu and Ramesh Kishku from paralysis. For the backslidden believers to repent and turn back to the Lord.

Jaganathpur: Basudo Malta & Basanthi, S Abraham & Alish Sheeba

Praise God: Four persons confessed Christ as their personal Saviour. By the power of prayer, 12year old Prakash

affected with paralysis and in bed for the past 6 months is recovering gradually. For the 2 widows who resist all forms of persecution prevailing in their village of Purustika village and remain steadfast in their faith.

Pray for: For the change of heart of the Tharaya village leaders who has prevented Mukdukorayai from drawing water from the village well because of his Christian faith. For the successful running of Gospel proclamation in a big scale in Pukribai and Barajmada field. For the opposition prevailing in Thakura village to cease.

Litipada: Ebenezer Samuel & Mabel Florence

Praise God: For the 17 persons who had a public confession of their faith on the Lord Jesus Christ. For the Harvest Festival which was celebrated in all the Churches successfully. For the healing of a Church Elder's daughter Santhoshini from a mental depression. In response to our believer's prayer, a sudden attack of a viral disease which left many dead gradually lost its influence. For a person Hopponmai who was unable to walk received healing when he came to the faith and started praying, which motivated him to organize a prayer meet in his house and testify the goodness of the Lord.

Pray: For the encouragement of a few Elders of some Churches who are discouraged in their faith. For the Gospel Proclamation Festival planned to be conducted in a big way and many people to participate and be blessed by the Word of God. For the Youth meet and the women's meet to be conducted successfully and to bear fruit.



Mandro: Hijam Kennedy & Linthoibi Chanu

Praise God: For 30 persons who publicly had a confession of their faith in Jesus Christ. The villagers of Birbandi bordering the state of Bihar gave us an invite to come to their village and proclaim the Gospel. The Lord enabled us to screen the Jesus film in 10 villages. By the power of prayer, Dalamei Basra and Markus Murmu who were unable to walk due to a sickness, received healing in their lives and experienced the work of the Holy Spirit.

Pray: For many people of Birbandi village to accept Christ in their lives. For the repentance of Baburam Hansdak and Bonibas Kisku who oppose the proclamation of the Gospel. For youth boys and girls to sign up as volunteers to conduct the Bible classes for the children of the Churches in our mission field. For Johan Malto and Lal Kishore to receive healing from TB and Sushila Malto to receive divine healing from kidney ailment.

Amrapada: Vyasu Babu & Sowndarya Rekha

Praise God: 48 persons have made a public confession of their faith in Christ Jesus and were added to the fold of

Jesus. The Lord heard the prayers of Masil Murmu and granted her a child after many years of waiting. For the harvest festival which happened joyfully in all the Churches. God's protection over Martha and Babuthan Kisku when they encountered a snake bite.

Pray: For the healing of Mothilal of Sakkari village from an ailment. For a new believer Johan Murmu of Kalidhoha village to be freed from the fear over black magic. Hopini Murmu's tumour in her womb to be healed. For Johilal Hemrom, Dhurbin Hemrom and Santhosh Hansda to be healed of epilepsy. For the community centre being built in Tharapur village to be expedited and completed

Gangupada Girl's Home: Sushajita Senapati; Evelyn Packia

Praise God: 140 children took part in the Children's Camp titled 'Gen Next' and were blessed by the Lord. For Ithvari student suffering from TB is gradually recovering. In the Children's meet, the children exhibited their talents and memorized many scriptures.

Pray: For the healing of Bibli Thomas who is suffering from Epilepsy. For Christy studying 8th Std to receive divine comfort as she grieves over the loss of her beloved mother. For the pathetic road leading to the student's home to be re-laid. For a life transforming experience for the children of our home who have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. For a good academic progress and the gift of discernment for the children of our home.



Happy Birthday

MRS. VIJAYA JOYSON

Lalmaatia: Amarenthiran & Gowramma E

Praise God: For a Guru living in Korkant village who would brain wash the villagers and rob them of their money, disappeared one day. The highlight of his disappearance was that the obstacles that came for the Church and the believers also vanished with him. For those who opposed the screening of the Jesus film in Sampoor village were overruled by those who were watching the film enabling the successful screening of the film. For Baplu Bai's father who received a healing from an eye surgery which was performed on him.

Pray: For Talaabu and Elisabeth Murmu to be healed of TB. For the repentance of Sappal Murmu who is hindering the progress of the Gospel. For the healing of Thalabaski and Babuji Hansda. For the people of Sisuguna village to open their hearts to the Word of God. For the procurement of land for the construction of a Church at Basgomi village.

Rajmahal Primary School & Girl's Hostel: Tinggeu Zeme & Ellah Pamei

Praise God: Many children took part in the 6-day VBS that was conducted and knew the Lord in a deeper way. For the Lord who provided sufficient funds for the renovation and maintenance of the mission house, kitchen and a large sleeping hall in the home. For Mariam Murmu who was undergoing treatment for tuberculosis at her home is gradually recovering and returned back to the boarding home.

Pray: For the livelihood of the parents of the boarding children to be sustained by the Lord. When parents migrate to other states in search of work, the education of the children gets hindered. Pray the Lord would help these children in their academic growth. For the 75 local teachers who serve in the institution to take efforts to raise their academic qualifications as per the Government requirements and for the wellbeing of their families. The construction activities in Surekabu and Tikra fields to be completed at the earliest.



Happy Birthday

MR. ISAAC DHANASINGH R.

West Bengal Itahar:

Adithya Kumar Limma & Manini Kumari.

Praise God: For the good harvest of our Lord's blessing in the fields of our believers. A thanksgiving service was conducted where the believers participated and gave their first fruits to the Lord with gratitude and rejoiced. For the completion of the Church construction at Panpol village without facing any obstacles. For the spiritual revival experienced by many Church elders who attended the Church elders Revival camp and were blessed.

Pray: For the Lord to mercifully grant a child to the family of Sujan Hemrun. For the safe confinement of Bhimola Dudu. For Mike Murmu to regain her strength after her confinement. For the forth coming Church dedication service and other planned programmes to be successfully conducted.

Jamboni: Ibrahim Mali & Prashansita

Praise God: For the open doors for the

first time among the Mudi people group of Nalankudi area for the proclamation of the Gospel. For the Word of God that was proclaimed in Musada, Nalankudi, Prakusale, Sakuliya villages and the spiritual tracts that were distributed.

Pray: For the repentance of a drunkard Madalsoren of Ramnagar area who is causing much disturbances to our believers. For Kanuram Bakshi of Kagduvali village who has accepted Christ recently to grow in his faith. For the believers of Jamboni field to find opportunities to share the Gospel in their villages.

Balurghat: Kingly Livingston & Delphin P

Praise God: The Lord helped us to take charge of this new mission field. For the harvest festival celebrated meaningfully in all the Churches in this field. 20 new families were individually met and the Gospel was shared to them in the outreach ministry conducted in 3 villages. A Church Elders meet was organized and discussions were held for the spiritual upliftment of the Churches.

Pray: For Ranjith Murmu, Paros Murmu, Miloda Soren, Babi Hemrom and Santhosh Murmu who have evinced interest in the Gospel to know more about the Lord. For the youth in our mission field to live witnessing lives in their community. For the fruitful conduct of Youth, Children and Elder's meet that are planned for the upcoming month.



Happy Birthday

MRS. SELINA MARANDI RABINDRA MURMU

Asom Gogamukh: Praveen Das & Margreat

Praise God: For the 7 people who accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and were added to the fold. About 725 people heard the Gospel through the Jesus film screening that was done in Katimora, Kamansabari and Raghushabari villages and many who received the spiritual tracts that were distributed among them. About 10 people heard the Gospel and were prayed upon through personal evangelism.

Pray: For the persecution suffered by Janmuni Pegu who was driven out of her home along with her one-year-old baby by her mother-in-law on account of her Christian faith when her husband who is also a believer had gone to work in a nearby state. Pray for God's protection upon Janmuni who is living alone and the repentance of her mother-in-law. For the strengthening in faith of Moivari Nora, Pooja Nora, Devikumari, Likhi Nora, Raji Nora, Bindhram, Kishore, Baity Daidu and Deepu.

Gohpur: Nathankumar Beberdha & Nirupama

Praise God: For the many who gathered

and watched with delight the Jesus film, which was screened in 4 villages. For the deliverance experienced by a sister who was tormented by an evil spirit and experienced many infirmities, when our mission workers from Parkamotti village prayed for her fervently. For the fruitful results of the spiritual renewal camp conducted for the believers.

Pray: For the family of Mangal Kumar who has recently expressed his faith in Jesus, to be led to salvation by the Holy Spirit. For our believer's son Akash to relinquish his bad company and show interest in his academics. For the backslidden believers and those who are irregular to Church, to repent and seek the Lord and come back to the Church.

Chhattisgarh Baiyathan: Thang Chin & Vung Thianchhing

Praise God: For the miraculous healing of Gudathiyani of Siraguda village from his death bed. For the follow up ministry conducted in many villages where 17 New Testaments and many Gospel Tracts were distributed among the eager listeners. The Lord helped Sharmili of Dadabara village to have a safe delivery in spite of several complications even as she prayed fervently.

Pray: For Gaurav Poorna of Patchava village who cannot walk as well as speak to be healed of his infirmament. For Ankita pursuing her nursing studies in Bilaspur to successfully complete her exams. For the health and welfare of our local evangelists as they do their ministry with faithfulness to the Lord.



Happy Birthday

MRS. PREMALATHA DANIEL THOMAS
MISS. SHANTI MURMU

Odisha Utkal Region: Ganesh & Sumathi

Praise God: About 900 youth took part in the regional youth camp which was conducted and about 84 of them committed themselves for mission work for the Lord. For the dedication of the newly built Churches at Thakkopani and Kalikaprasath villages for the Glory of God. For the many believers who participated in the one-day fasting prayer meet which was conducted, and prayed for the Salvation of the various people groups.

Pray: For the believing widows Sanai Sinhu, Suna Sinha and her daughter Radhai Sinha who were praying in their house when some evil people came and beat them for their faith and escaped. Pray these women who were hospitalised would recover well and be strengthened in their faith. Pray the Lord would guide the police force to

take appropriate action. For the Church construction happening in Sokkadara, Paradevda and Mamallabosi villages to be completed successfully.

Keonjhar: Pratyush Nayak & Marithai Leona

Praise God: For the 3 persons who has accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and confessed their faith publicly. For Kobabbandh suffering from a bloated stomach and unable to walk, received healing through prayers offered in faith and is now gradually able to walk. A spiritual renewal camp for the believers and a Soul winners camp for the Church Elders was conducted successfully. For Raja Hembrom family who received healing from a mental depression they were undergoing by the power of Prayer.

Pray: For the repentance of Jadhru of Navogav village and Bella Samya of Bamre village who persecute the people of the Christian Faith. For the deliverance of Raji and Jemamani from the possession of an evil spirit. For the expansion of our ministry in Sunderkat area. For the Church construction currently happening in Kadamdeeth, Mamlabosi and Baradeptha villages to be successfully completed.



Rairangpur: Gunachandra Paik & Krishdajali

Praise God: For the 8 persons who accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and were added to the fold of believers. For the successful conduct of the Church Elders training programme in Gopinathpur Church. For a new family each from Thapapani, Niranjan, Ramapahadi and Lahakani villages who have joined the Christian Faith. For the believer's spiritual retreat conducted in Lakmipusi and Gopinathpur villages which was a spiritual blessing.

Pray: For the misunderstanding prevailing between the believers of the Gunipal and Sunamara villages to be resolved in a Godly way. For the backslidden people of Gundudiya and Padukasahi who hinder the worship service to refrain from their activities. For the healing of Arasu and Bana from mental depression they are suffering from.

Rimuli: Shankar & Jelin

Praise God: By the Grace of God, a new worship service has been started in Bamdiya village. A night meeting has been started anew in Sulyasahi village. Around 170 children took part in the Children's meet conducted in Noibanga and Jamthara villages. For the permission granted by the local council for the construction of the Church at Jamudhi village.

Pray: For the completion of the Church

construction work in Arsala, Noibanga, Konjkana and Bamdiya villages. For the planned outreach ministry for the proclamation of the Gospel to be conducted without any hindrances. For the Christian meet planned in a large scale by the believers of Rimuli field to be conducted at the right time.

Jashipur: Samuel J & Havila; Aravind Kumar & Helen Maria; Suresh Malto

Praise God: For the public confession of their faith in Christ by 6 persons who have joined the Church. For a demon possessed Santhi Marti of Borakmata village whose health was declining and married to a magician's son in the hope of getting healed. When she was not healed, she was simply left behind in the doorstep of our Church. The Prayer group leaders from Saidapet in Chennai who had come over here joined to pray for her along with our Church believers. The Lord delivered her and brought healing in her life. For the healing experienced by Kasirom Ho from long months of an illness, after his own father a magician, could not heal him and he eventually went to our Kalikprasad village Church where our believers joined together and prayed resulting in his deliverance.

Pray: For Sokla Sahi, Chandhipoorti, Gurubaripoorti, Manosoi families who have shown interest in the Gospel to be led to a saving faith in Christ Jesus. For the opposition prevailing in Guliyadhara village to cease and the believers to be strengthened in their faith by prayer. For the mysterious deaths occurring in Gandiyomara villages to be stopped. For the Lord's protection upon the villagers and their cultivation lands from the invading of wild elephants.



Happy Birthday

MR. MATHEW K.

MR. KUMAR V.

Gujarat Ahwa:

Vigneshwaran & Angelin

Praise God: For the 17 persons who accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and confessed it publicly. For the protection the Lord offered to the missionary family when they encountered a poisonous snake when they were riding their two-wheeler. For a new born infant Vali who was diagnosed with low red blood corpuscles, revived in her growth in response to the faithful prayers of her parents. For Amisha Ben of Dhumkal village who received her vision in her eyes in response to prayers.

Pray: For the healing of a new comer in faith Govindh Bhai from a boil which has been troubling him for a long time. For the amicable resolution of a land dispute between Maheshbhai and Kalaben. For the families of Bharathi, Meena, Simn, Sanjay and Jeyesh to be blessed with a child. For many who would hear the Gospel through the outreach ministry in Susardha village to repent and believe in faith in our Lord Jesus Christ by the work of the Holy Spirit.

Mosda:

Paulraj R & Koil Pushpam

Praise God: For the 6 people who committed their lives to Jesus Christ and accepted Him as their personal Saviour. For Dhilip of Pulsar village who had lost his vision, was miraculously restored of his vision through fervent prayers. For the miraculous protection God had over Shanthilal, a believer and his wife and daughter who met with a two-wheeler accident and escaped with minor injuries.

Pray: For a 2 year old Riyansbai who lost his vision due to a nerve infection, to regain his sight. For divine comfort for Rekha and Reshma over the loss of their beloved father. For Nimisha and Hansdha to find a good opportunity to work and secure a good job. For a complete healing of Leelaben suffering from a migraine headache for over 5 years.



The Blessings of a Faithful Prayer!

Manisha is a good believer residing in Thukaithat village of Nepanagar field in Maharashtra. After her marriage she went to her husband's village of Pamlapet and continued her prayer life faithfully. She also led her husband to pray along with her. But the others in her house questioned her that, if the God whom she prays to, is a True God, then why is there so much of poverty in their family. Challenged by this question, Manisha began to pray in faith that the Lord would rescue them from their poverty. The Lord worked his mighty power in their family. The harvest in their agricultural land increased fourfold much to the surprise of the family members and the villagers. Taking this as an opportunity to glorify God in her village, Manisha testified about the Lord's goodness to her family in response to her prayers.





MRS. NIANG ZANGAI THAWNG KHAN KAP

Choramba: Pushparaj R & Jothi Nirmala

Praise God: 12 persons confessed their faith in Christ Jesus and accepted Him as their personal Saviour. The Gospel was proclaimed through outreach meetings in Valarkat, Dhababaliya and Mirapura villages. 22 youth participated in the youth meet and revived their spiritual life in Christ. A special women's meet was conducted for the Kovan, Puthvada and Sanodara village congregations.

Pray: For the believers who have come under the saving faith to remain steadfast in their faith. For the youth and children who have taken commitments in the spiritual meetings to abide by their decisions faithfully with the help of the Holy Spirit. For reconciliation between Kaushik and Poorvika and for peace to prevail in their lives. The Church land registration, Electricity connection and Tax payment to be done in the name of the Church.

Dadra & Nagar Haveli (U.T.) Silvassa: Davidson Rajasingh & Kanmani

Praise God: 115 people tasted the love of Jesus and confessed him as Lord and Saviour. A 3-day youth camp was successfully conducted for the youth of Randa village. A training camp for the local evangelists and their spouses was conducted for the betterment of their ministry. The Lord blessed Nilesh-Radhaben couple with a child after going through 5 years of barrenness.

Pray: For the deliverance of new believer Ravibhai's two daughters Sonali and Ayesha to be delivered from the bondage of the evil spirit. For the father-in-law of Vandhanaben who is preventing her from coming to Church to have a change of heart. 10 young people committed their lives for full time missionary work in the commitment times in the 3-day youth camp. Pray the Lord would guide their lives. For the mental state of our new believer's son Dilubai to be healed from mental imbalance. For the healing of our new believer's son Vasiyabai of Atharpada village from paralysis.



Happy Birthday

MRS. ASNATH DEVADASS
MRS. MARGARET MUTHAIYAH SAMUEL
MRS. JEYA RUBY SOLOMON
MRS. KIRUBASANAM STELLA ANDREWS

Maharashtra

Talasari:

Mayilswamy & Yesumani

Praise God: For the 10 people who believe in Christ as their personal Saviour and received Salvation by faith. For the proclamation of the Gospel in Borpada and Kasarpada villages and for the spiritual tracts distributed, which was well received by the people. For the deliverance of Santhabai from evil spirit possession. For the 42 families who committed their lives to be witnesses for Christ in the family meet conducted in this field.

Pray: For the solemn service of public confession of faith which was twice postponed in Uplath and Rajpur villages to be conducted smoothly without any hindrance in the coming days. For the successful conduct of Children's Bible clubs as planned. For many youths to participate and surrender the lives in commitment to the Lord in the youth camp which was planned in Osivira village.

Igathpuri: Nagarajan & Thilagavathi

Praise God: For Raniben a believer who slipped into coma on account of

an accident was brought back to life by the persistent prayers of 3 youths of her family. For the believers who attended the soul winners training camp to be trained well in the proclamation of the Gospel. Many non-Christian children attended the VBS that was conducted in various centres and were blessed with knowing the Lord as their Saviour.

Pray: For the differences cropping up in the Congregations of Suroli village to be resolved amicably. For the repentance of a few people who proclaim false Gospel in the villages of Mukkane, Vakhipada, Vikkikav, Udhaliatti and Bhaina and confuse the faith of the believers. For the incomplete Church construction at Vihigav village due to the unfair frozen of Church funds account to be resolved. For Somiben who has stopped attending the Church service to be drawn towards worshipping the Lord.

Chopda & Sangvi Children's Home: Vasava Bhansingh & Yemenben

Praise God: For the full day fasting prayers conducted in 6 villages. For the safe return of all our children from their homes after the vacation. For the Gospel Proclamation in 4 villages as part of our outreach ministry.

Pray: For the people of the Mahadev people group who are coming to the Church, to grow deeper in knowing the Lord and the Lord to lead many more from this people group to accept Christ as their Saviour in their lives. For the academic excellence and spiritual growth of the children of our home. For the small prayer cells happening in many villages to expand and be a blessing to those who attend.



Happy Birthday

MR. JOHN DINESH G.M.

Point:

Pithus Kumar & Prathibala

Praise God: About 1000 youth gathered and participated in the youth retreats conducted in 4 places and were blessed. About 200 Church elders took part in the Church elders training camp and were motivated to serve the Lord. 34 persons confessed their faith in Christ in Jamanpada village. For the dedication of the Church at Thamanipada village for the Glory of God.

Pray: For the people of Manjri Vadoli village who oppose the faith of our believer Narayana Bhai and drove him out of the village, to taste and see the Love and power of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the procurement of the land for the construction of the Church in Nachankadak village. For 16 year old Anjuben reported missing from Jamanpada village to return back safely to her village. For the repentance of the local village leaders who oppose the construction of the Church and to have a change of heart.

Vadfully:

Bidyut Kumar Singh

Praise God: The Lord enabled us

to reach out to 390 people with the Gospel and to distribute at least 240 Gospel tracts to the seekers. For the healing received by Ramila in her uterus due to her persistent prayers offered in faith. For Parsi Dada who received healing from a severe body pain when he applied anointed prayer oil and prayed in faith.

Pray: For the mental healing of Sumithra Ben who has refrained from even talking to her children for the past 3 years. For Samba Ben to be delivered from the possession of evil spirit. For those who have heard the Gospel to receive Christ by faith in their lives by the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Akkalkuwa: Jagmohansingh & Swathi

Praise God: 3 people surrendered their lives to Christ and accepted Him as Lord and Saviour of their lives. A new worship group has been started at Mahagodi village. A one-day retreat for the believers and a Seekers Camp for those who are interested in knowing the Lord was conducted.

Pray: For the strength and divine healing of Sharmila who is affected with HIV. After the rainy season is over, the believers who migrate to other states for the work must remain faithful in their work. For the Lord to raise up a good committed young worker to work in new areas for the extension of the Lord's Kingdom.



Happy Birthday

MRS. BITHIKA BIBHABA PANI

Khandesh Region: Vinu M & Subila

Praise God: For 13 persons who accepted Christ as personal Saviour in their lives. For the spiritual renewal of 43 young people who attended the youth camp and were blessed. For the wife of Kasiram Bai, a pujari of Mokarani village who was the solitary member left in her family after the death of all the members of her family. The Church believers consoled her and prayed for her. Today she has forsaken her ancestral ways of worshiping and became a disciple of Jesus Christ. About 3500 people witnessed the screening of Jesus film in 19 places. About 1759 spiritual tracts were distributed.

Pray: For many more people to be led to attending the newly started worship service in Roja village of Taloda field. For conducive atmosphere to prevail in Thinmavi and Petki villages on Kantpara field for starting new worship groups. For all the Church Elders of the various Churches to attend the Regional Elders Training programme. For the new believers of Vadfaaly field who are prepared for a public confession of their faith, to overcome all fears and doubts if any and be strengthened in their faith.

Molgi: Bharanidharan S & Selvarani V

Praise God: For the healing received by Ramgubai of Salikmar village from Paralysis when he and his family came to the Church and prayed after experiencing failure from various kinds of treatment undertaken. His whole family has now accepted Christ. For the 3 new persons who confessed Christ as their personal Saviour. The youth meet conducted in Sakdubari village was attended by 30 youth.

Pray: A new believer Suman suffering from a never-ending back pain, to receive healing in prayer. A backslidden family of Sangeetha started coming back to the Church after experiencing various kinds of troubles. Pray their problems would end and they would have steadfast faith in the Lord. For Suvitha to be healed of mental depression.



A Husband's help in finding the Lord!

Samba Devi of Telileya village of Pathargama field in Jharkhand sought the help of the dark spirit world to alleviate her from her various troubles and spent a lot of money in this regard. It only resulted in her being possessed by these evil spirits leading her to a mental depression and to act like a lunatic. The villagers asked her husband to drive her away, but her husband who had heard about Jesus Christ decided to take his wife in a bicycle every Sunday to a Church in Silkara village which was 19kms away. Even though it was tough for him, he believed in faith that the Lord Jesus would heal his wife. When the Church prayed for Samba Devi fervently, the Lord did a miracle and delivered her from her bondage and healed her. Today Samba Devi and her husband faithfully come every Sunday traversing the 19km journey to worship the Lord in our Church. Glory be to the wonder working God.





Happy Birthday

MR. JANGKOLUN TOUTHANG
MRS. STEFFI BIJU LAL
MR. BHARUDE PRATAP MANGYA

Karnataka Kolar: David Perumal & Stella

Praise God: Two new persons have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and has been added to the fold of believers. For Padma who received deliverance from the influence of black magic through persistent prayers. For the Kaskatta Church congregations celebrating their 20th anniversary since its founding and the congregational members voluntarily coming forward to fund all the equipments needed for their Church.

Pray: For a bus conductor Nagaraj who has backslidden from his faith in Christ, to repent and come back to the Lord. For the Lord to bless the couple Nagesh and Sindhu with a child. For the Salvation of the two sons of Krishnamma – Venkatesh and Naveen to be led by the Spirit to attend the Church service. For Anita to be delivered of her debt problems.

Hubli Region: Sunil Data Kara & Meenakhi

Praise God: For the public confession of faith of 10 new persons who accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. For the miraculous protection of Bharathi who work as a cook, when she encountered a fire accident due to a gas leak and escaped with minor injuries. For the reconciliation of Praveen and Bhavana as a family after 6 years of misunderstanding, have now started coming to the Church as a united family. For the healing received by 50 year old Renuka, who was suffering for a long time from a nervous disorder. For Bhoomika who was hospitalised after vomiting blood, received healing when the Church believers prayed for her. For Sindhulinga who was blessed with good water in the well he dug with prayers. Beena and her husband Suresh engage themselves in personal evangelism with their neighbours whenever they have a free time.

Pray: For Nirmala and Pavithra to be blessed with a good job. For the healing of Sitesh from jaundice and Krishnappa from epilepsy. For Rana's family to receive healing and be lifted from their poverty. For the divine consolation to be experienced by Basavaraj and Rajeshwari after the demise of their 8 year old child to a stroke. For Basuram to experience healing from a severe pain in his legs which the doctors could not diagnose. For the success of our missionary's daughter as she attempts the Government competitive exams.



Gajendragada: Manjya Naik & Lamani Ratna

Praise God: For the Grace of God enabling us to proclaim the Gospel in 4 new villages, and pursue follow up ministry in 30 houses. For the effective functioning of small prayer cells in one place in Elbarga, 3 places in Kada village and 2 places in Kutsagi area. For the upliftment and deliverance received by Ganesh who was broken-hearted over his sickness and financial instability.

Pray: For the repentance of Birappa who under the influence of alcohol, abuses his family and prevents them from going to Church. Suvarna, unable to walk due to a swelling in her leg to receive healing from the Lord. For God's peace to prevail in the family of Rana who is undergoing a lot of turbulence.

Hubli:

Thanglal Zou & Nemzavah

Praise God: For the many believers of Gervada, Meynali and Tatjera villages who heard the Gospel and attended the full day fasting prayer and prayed fervently. Nagaraj suffering from an intense migraine prayed fervently in the fasting prayer and received healing. For the life transformation experienced by Nagesh and Sidappa who were

drunkards and never cared to provide for their families, relinquished their evil habits as a result of fervent prayers offered in faith for them.

Pray: For the gradual progress in the health of Subash of Kakeri village who had severe injuries all over his body leading to paralysis, as the Church prayed for him continually. Pray for his complete healing. For the healing of Mariyam from a swelling in her legs and Manjappa who is suffering from an intestinal problem and the many infirmities experienced by all in Basappa family. For the repentance of Manju of Hosagarkalli village and Girish of Kalkatti village who oppose the ministry.

Shirahatti: Ashaprapta & Deena Kumari

Praise God: For the 2 persons who accepted Christ and joined the fold of believers. Many youths participated with enthusiasm in the youth camp which was successfully conducted. When the believers joined and prayed, Bhumika who was suffering from hematemesis (internal bleeding and blood vomiting) received healing. Lakshmi was blessed with a child by the Grace of God.

Pray: For the healing of Krishnappa who is unable to walk as he is affected with paralysis. For the repentance of Ramesh who disobeys his parents because of the influence of his bad friendships. For the Lord to bless Praveen – Aishwarya, Segappa – Rekha, Mittu – Lalitha, and Madhav-Lakshiyamma with a child. For the repentance of Raji who prevents his wife from attending Church under the influence of alcohol.



Andhra Pradesh

Dhamalacheruvu: John David Raj & Gnanasekari

Praise God: For the testimony shared by Subramani of Nellimandapalli village, when she had a vision of Jesus placing his hand over his head during the surgery he underwent. For Suganya who received a child after 10 years of barrenness and persistent prayers. For Vasanthamma who has shifted from Pattur village to Nampalli village, who brought two new contacts to the night prayer meet started in her own house. For the new contacts established in Kothapetai and Biraredivaripalli villages and for the bright prospectus of establishing new worship groups.

Pray: For the Holy Spirit to intervene in the Church construction which is stopped at the initial phase itself in Kothapetta village by Jayachandhra Reddy, Parthasarathy and Giri. Pray these people may taste the love of our Lord. For the spiritual growth of new believers Gopi, Aruna and her son Subramani. For the Lord's intervention in preventing the wild elephants which comes and destroys the plantations of the villagers and for the elephants to be driven away into the forests. For our co-worker Anil's co-brother Prasanthi who died due to TB and for his family to be comforted, and for the mother to be taken care by Prasanthi's brother.

Palamner: Paul Kuppusami & Shyla

Praise God: For the new worship group started in Sisvaripalli village. For Vijay who was hospitalised due to an anemic condition, experienced a miraculous healing and returned home. Anushya who suffered excessive bleeding received healing when she fasted and prayed.

Pray: For Bala and Mangamma families who are prepared for the public confession of their faith in Jesus Christ to overcome their obstacles in faith and grow in their fellowship with the Lord. For Bhavshri, Madhushree, Gowthami, Bhavaneshwari, Ganesh and Karthik to find a suitable born-again life partner. For the worship groups at Basavarajakandariga and Sallavaripalli to have more people join them and their faith to be edified.



Repentance of a Hard Heart!

The night prayer meet was happening as usual in Dongiripada village in Talasari field of Maharashtra. Suddenly the prayer meet was disrupted by Santhosh, a head of a local religious group who along with a mob commanded the prayer meet to be stopped and even attempted to physically assault the believers. Frightened believers immediately stopped the meet. The mob threatened them aggressively never to restart this Christian prayer meet. Perplexed our believers decided to pray for the members of the fanatic group by mentioning their names in their personal prayers and dispersed. The work of the Lord in changing a hardened heart is a beautiful mystery. Three days later, Santhosh came to one of our believer's houses and apologized for the disruption he had caused and asked them to restart their prayer meet and promised never to disturb them again. Glory be to the Lord.





MRS. SRILATHA STEPHEN JEYASEELAN
MR. PRATAP RAHANG

Tamil Nadu

Chengam: KS Joshua

Praise God: For the Lord's protection over Veraswamy's family members and their house when lightning struck and a tree fell near their house. The Church Elders training camp was conduct for 3 Churches in Dharmapuri and 2 Churches in Tiruvannamalai successfully. Many believers joined together and fasted and prayed in the fasting meet conducted in Vadipatti Church.

Pray: For the Elders training camp planned in Morappalayam, Gururediyur and Kannai fields to be conducted in a fruitful manner. Many Elders to participate and be burdened with a heart to bring many souls to Christ. For the fasting payer planned in Sathanur and Paramanandh villages to edify the faith of those who attend.

Denkanikottai: Jebaraj S & Esther Thangam

Praise God: For God's protection over Esther when she encountered a wild elephant along a forest path when she crossed over. Sharmila was blessed with a good life partner. God enabled the first-generation Christians, Saranya

and Santhosh to secure a seat in a college and pursue their higher studies. For Eramma and Pushpa who received deliverance from a suicidal thought induced by an evil spirit.

Pray: For Aarthi, Muthamma, Bhathamal and Ramya to experience Christ as their personal Saviour. For the Lord to secure the life of Suvetha and Vidhya who grieve the loss of their beloved mother. For Paul Laxman's eye problem in the eye to be healed. For the Lord to bless the families of Bhaskar – Nithya, Philip – Chitra and Anitha – Mervin to be blessed with a child.



God's sovereignty over wild beasts!

Gopi is a new believer from the Dhamalacheruvu field of Andhra Pradesh. He regularly attends the Church Worship service. However, his wife Aruna was reluctant to express her faith in Jesus. They resided in a mangrove plantation they owned outside the village. One night when Aruna was staying alone in her house, she heard a cracking noise and was bewildered to see a herd of wild elephants which had entered into her land breaking the fencing, and were trumpeting as they approached her house. Aruna ran to her front room to salvage some essential articles and believed her house was going to be destroyed and that she was going to die. In a spur of the moment, she remembered the words with which her husband used to pray. She could only manage to scream this one sentence "Lord Jesus, please save my house". She was astounded to realise her simple prayer had the power to turn the elephants away from their path towards her house as the herd disappeared into the fields. Today Aruna is also a believer. Glory be to God.





Bro. Thilak hails from the district of Tuticorin. He was born as the last child to his parents Mr. Santhosh and & Mrs. Ponmani Devairakkam on 21.09.1993. He was just a nominal Christian from a CSI background. When he was 23 years old, he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and committed himself for the full-time ministry in a FMPB Youth Camp held on August 20th 2017 and joined the organization. He was working in the Head Quarters for a few months. Then he was sent to Jhansi for one year mission training (2018-2019) in NIM. He worked along with the film team for a period of two years. On October 2020, he held the hand of Sis. Emimal in marriage and were posted in Jhalon followed by Mot mission field till date. God is helping them to serve Him inspite of his weakness in his body.

Sis. Emimal was born to Mr. Abel and Mrs. Devi in Nagercoil district on 15.09.1995. Her parents though not a traditional Christians but knew the Lord before they got married. In her youth she wandered away from the Lord in spite of her life commitment to the Lord. Due to the efforts of her father, she underwent a mission training in Jesus Redeems Center in 2010. She heard the Call for ministry twice and so she joined FMPB through her grandpa Mr. Arulmani in the year 2014. She underwent the FMPB training in the year 2015-2016 and served God for a few years in Uttar Pradesh, then in Alwar home in Rajasthan, in a Home in Bhind and a Home in Maharashtra. She got married to Tilak and now as a family they are serving the Lord Jesus in Mot mission field. They were blessed with a baby girl on 30.04. 2022. Let's uphold this family in our prayers.



**Mr. Thilak and
Mrs. Emimal family**

Power to the Powerless!

Savithri aged 25 is a young believer from Chiriya field in Kargoan district of Madhya Pradesh. She was full term and, in that situation, she had to go to the near by village for some reason. Since there was not much transport facility she prayed and began to walk to reach the other village. A speeding two-wheeler bumped into her and since the wheel ran over her she delivered the baby in that same place where she fell. The passers by rushed her to the hospital. The believers who got the news prayed for her fervently till they got the news that both the mother and the baby are doing well. Praise God for His grace that sustained her.

Prayer For The New Year

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the year that has passed and the many blessings You have showered us in time.

We beg your pardon in our many failings and trespasses and we pray that the coming year be a more fruitful one.

We earnestly pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit and we call upon our Lord Jesus Christ for His intercessions, His guidance and His light to shine our path.

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