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"If you Obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love." John 15:10

Obedience

Obeying God even more



Frontline ...

Faithful Obedience



kind of obedience, though severe, is essential when your life depends on the trustworthiness of your steed.

In a similar way, one of the 9 Ethos of FMPB is “Obedience,” rooted in John 15:10. God teaches us about obedience through many biblical figures such as Noah and Abraham. In Scripture, God emphasizes the necessity of obedience to His commands, to the leaders He appoints, and to the laws of the land. The consequences of disobedience are severe, as seen in Deuteronomy 28.

One biblical story that illustrates the power of obedience is when Peter, tired from a fruitless night of fishing, obeyed Jesus’ command to cast his net into the deep waters. Despite his weariness and scepticism, Peter’s obedience led to a miraculous catch (Luke 5:5). God calls us to obey even in the most impossible and incomprehensible circumstances, as shown in the story of Hosea’s marriage (Hosea 1:2-3). Delayed or half-hearted obedience is not truly obedience.

Obedience is our duty (Ecclesiastes 12:13; Luke 17:7-10); it is an expression of our love for God (John 14:15) and a sign of our humility (Proverbs 22:4). Through obedience, God is glorified (Leviticus 9:22-23), peace is achieved (2 Chronicles 14:1-6), and miracles happen (1 Kings 14:13-16). Our lives will prosper (Joshua 1:6-9), and we will experience a life full of blessings (Exodus 15:26).

The goal of obedience is to obey immediately with a full heart, even in the most difficult and illogical circumstances, just as the horses must obey their trainer’s whistle despite their overwhelming thirst. The consequences of disobedience are grave—just as we saw with Adam and Eve, the confusion that befell Israel, the regret of Samson, the loss of Jonah, the sorrow of David, and the slavery of Israel.

When we choose to obey, we may face ridicule or be seen as foolish. But we are reminded that obedience is better than sacrifice. And when we obey, we can trust that our God will continue to lead and bless us.

Let us pray for God’s continued guidance, that we may walk with greater obedience to His will.

- Mercy Selwyn (*Communication Department*)

Never take your obedience as the reason God blesses you; obedience is the outcome of being rightly related to God.

- Oswald Chambers

Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than human beings." Acts 5:29

Great moves of God are usually preceded by simple acts of obedience.

- Stephen Furtick

"Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams".

1 Samuel 15:22

Obedience to God is the most infallible evidence of sincere and supreme love to him.

- Nathanael Emmons

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FROM THE GENERAL SECRETARY...

Dear Partners in the mission of reaching the unreached,

This is my last editorial as the General Secretary of FMPB. From 1st April 2021 until now, the Lord has sustained me and carried me to carry out the responsibility of the General Secretary of this great Organisation. From day one, I knew that my responsibility is just following the footsteps of the Lord and be obedient to His leading. To the best of my ability and knowledge, that is what I tried to do. I will complete the responsibility as General Secretary on 31st March 2025. As Jesus said without me you cannot do anything, I give all glory, honour and praises to God the one who is worthy to be praised. Therefore, as David prayed in II Samuel 7:18, I too pray "Who am I, Sovereign LORD, and what is my family, that you brought me this far?

It is my responsibility and appropriate to thank you all for your consistent support to me through your prayers for the past 4 years which helped me to pass through tough situations like Corona and persecution. I am leaving this position with a sense of satisfaction and fulfilment by the immense and incomprehensible grace of our dear God. I thank God for the opportunity given to me to minister with the missionaries and prayer group leaders and members. It is a privilege to serve the Lord with church and mission leaders for the expansion of God's kingdom. The green memory of 4 years of ministry with you all, will linger a long time in my mind.

Management Committee Meeting: This Management Committee meeting

is my last meeting as its chairman. God blessed the meeting as many important decisions were taken.

New Field Secretaries Orientation:

The orientation program for the newly appointed Field secretaries was arranged in Nagpur. 9 families joined for the program and it was a blessed time of learning together.

Vallam Araikooval Meeting: On 25th and 26th Araikooval meeting was arranged by the Vallam Mobilisation Honorary Secretary. Few Pastors attended the meeting and blessed the participants. God blessed the meeting in an amazing way. On the second day 4 missionaries were dedicated for the glory of God.

Miracle Shekinah Assembly Church, Chengalput: On 26th I spoke the Word of God in the Miracle Shekinah Assembly Church of Chengalput in their both services. FMPB is thankful to the Pastor of the church for allowing FMPB to present our ministry in their both services. Missionaries and Punjab believers team share their ministry to motivate the believers to pray.

Meeting in Sitara Region: I talked to the missionaries, evangelists and the church elders of Sitara Region to address the cultural sensitivity in the newly formed churches and congregations to strengthen the ministry.



Khandesh Region Field visit: On 1st and second of February, along with the field leaders, I visited all the missionaries of Khandesh Region in their houses. The missionaries are prayerfully serving the Lord in tough areas with commitment. They need our prayers.

National Planning Conference

Prayer Day: On 7th, the National Planning Conference 2025 started with fasting prayer of 11 hours from 7 am to 6 pm. The secretaries from Field and Mobilisation shared ministry concerns and the gathering prayed earnestly.

National Planning Conference

Meeting: The National Planning Conference was held on 8th and 9th of February. Both days many reports were presented and discussion held. On the second day, the thrust areas for the coming year were presented and the participants went from the meeting with deeper commitment to reach this nation by prayer and sharing the vision.

Executive Committee Meeting: The 223rd Executive Committee meeting was held on 7th, 9th and 10th of February.

North India Mobilization Missionaries

Training: The missionaries working in the North India Mobilization had a two days training program on mobilization methods on 10th and 11th.

Poondi building dedication: One additional dormitory building built in our Poondi campus near Chennai was dedicated for the glory of God on 12th February. The Tiruvallur district Mobilization leaders worked with focus to completed the project.

Field Zonal and Regional Secretaries meeting:

The field Zonal and Regional Secretaries meeting was held in Chennai on 13th and 14th of February. Discussions and planning were done on expansion of ministry and strengthening the indigenisation.

Secretaries' Leadership Training:

Leadership training was conducted for the Field Secretaries from 15th-18th. Faculties from Haggai India and myself taught topics on leadership.

Please pray for my March month ministry.

- The Field Zonal Secretaries meeting will be held in Jhansi on 1st and 2nd of March
- The Single missionaries conference is arranged in NIM campus, Jhansi on 3rd and 4th of March.
- The NSM Board meeting is scheduled on 8th of March
- The North Western Zonal spiritual life conference is scheduled in Dehradun on 10th to 13th March.
- God willing, I will be speaking in different mobilization meetings on 15th and 16th of March in Bhavani, Erode.
- The Divisional Secretaries prayer and planning will be held in Bengaluru from 18th to 20th of March
- The Denkanikottai Regional Church Council's General Body meeting will be held on 22nd March.
- The United Christian Prayer for India's advisory forum meeting and consultation will be held in Bengaluru from 24 to 27th March.

- The Bethel Agricultural Fellowship Board meeting is scheduled on 28th March in Bethel Campus, Danishpet, Salem.

Selection of new General Secretary:

Since my tenure of General Secretary is getting over on 31st March 2025, the organisation has selected our present Secretary for South India Mobilisation Rev. Vijay Prasanna Isaac as our next General Secretary. A brief profile about Rev. Vijay is given in the inside of this magazine. The FMPB family welcomes our new General Secretary and request you all to pray daily for him that the Lord may use him to fulfil His plan in FMPB.

I conclude my last editorial with thanks and appreciation to all of you for being a

strong support to the ministry of Friends Missionary Prayer Band. Let us continue our journey together in this quest of reaching this vast nation with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Yours fellow traveller in Christ's Mission



Rev. John Berlin S.

*Even to your old age and gray hairs
I am he, I am he who will sustain you.
I have made you and I will carry you;
I will sustain you and I will rescue you.
Isaiah 46:4*

A Glad Declaration

To

All the Leaders, Missionaries and Prayer partners of FMPB: God has enabled the Executive Committee to choose Rev Vijay P Isaac, as the new General Secretary of Friends Missionary Prayer Band movement and we thank God that EC could arrive at this decision unanimously. Rev Vijay P Isaac will take the role of the FMPB General Secretary effective from 1 April 2025, on completion of the tenure of the current GS Rev John Berlin.

FMPB is a God's movement entrusted with God's purpose to touch the nation with God's love. We rejoice that the Lord has been with us and guiding us in moving forward. We seek your continued prayers and support God bless you. God bless FMPB

Regards
Mr. John Samuel
 President - FMPB



Obedience is better than sacrifice

The meaning of **OBEDIENCE** is an act or instance of obeying as given in Merriam Webster Dictionary.

Obedience is a behavior that's respectful and mindful of the rules and laws in the society at large.

Obedience is a virtue which is not that easy to put into practice until it becomes part & parcel of human behaviour whether it is home, society, community or work spot. Obedience helps a family to live in harmony and thrive as a cohesive whole as an institutions like army, police, civil society etc., to achieve its objectives for better living. It is also one of the many spiritual disciplines. A father expects his wife and children to obey (Ephesians 5). A leader expects his subordinates to obey. Biblically, God has decreed his creation, the mankind to obey to his commands for wholesome living. Arthur Wallis, a second world veteran who later became a missionary says that "the first duty of a soldier is obedience, second is obedience and third too is obedience".

FMPB also has obedience as its Ethos. This movement expects all its members both full time and volunteers to obey our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ and His commands. Jesus was the best example of obedience; one cannot ignore it.

In His Childhood

Jesus was obedient throughout his life time. Once he stayed back in Jerusalem temple and was found deep in discussion with the Sanhedrin members, unknown to their parents. When the parents came back in search of him, and was admonished, -And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: Luke 2:51

In His Career

Jesus was obedient in his career both as a carpenter and as a son of God to carry out the will of His heavenly Father. Wilful submission will earn accolades from our Saviour Jesus Christ and we too will have a satisfaction in remembering the verse, "All things happen for good to them that love God" Romans 8:28

In His personal life

When Jesus was considered as a potential threat, he was busy doing good to the people unmindful of the comments passed by others. His eyes were always focussed on God the Father. He always followed the instruction from His father. Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. - John 5:19

In His profession

He never looked or craved for popularity. He was obedient and did not hide anything from his disciples. His teaching was unadulterated. He never had a hidden agenda. His life was filled with transparency. Jesus answered and said unto him, if a man loves me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. John 14:23

In His Passion

Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane is a pattern for us, I learned", says Catherine Marshall. Christ could have avoided the cross. He did not have to go to Jerusalem that last time. He could have compromised with the priests, bargained with Caiaphas. He could have capitalized on his following and appeased Judas by setting up the beginning of an earthly kingdom. Pilate wanted to release him, all but begged him to say the right words so that he might. In the Garden, Christ had plenty of time to flee, but he used his free will to leave the decision up to his Father.

That is obedience. Letting oneself to do God's will even during times of difficulty, drawing strength from above.

In His Suffering - (Handling persecution)

He never tried to retaliate. He was silent. Suffered silently at the hands of his tormenters (created beings) He had the magnanimity to forgive their sins. Never tried to use His father's authority like leaders in power sometimes act. When standing before the authorities, rulers, he did not show his power. He never tried to threaten others like men who had a powerful backing.

When reviled kept silent, in his daily life. It is all because He enjoyed a very close relationship with His father in prayer very early in the morning hours.

-For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. Romans 5:19

A transfer from a flourishing field to a dry area is an injustice, the full-time workers may think. Yet when we look above to our Creator God, He helps us submit to the authority of our leaders. Many times, your colleague is preferred for promotion may be due to an ethnic background or partiality. Whatever may be the situation, we always should learn to refer to the Word of God by obeying His Great Commission in proclaiming the Good News irrespective of our counting the perks and benefits, considering the challenges, and counting the cost.

During this time of Lenten season, let us look to the Son of God, and meditate on the sufferings our Lord Jesus endured on the Cross of Calvary and try to imitate Him in all the walks of our lives. To Him be all glory, laud and honour.

*Love is the underlying current
To obey our Master's command
Jesus explains, In the Gospel of John
Obedience is the hall mark, He demands.*

*Implicit obedience is counted
While delayed obedience is not
For the time slot does matters
Always In God's viewpoint
In the parable of the two sons
Jesus applauds the younger's action
Ignoring the reluctance of the first son
Says the Latter did the will of God.*

- **Mrs. Mekalaiselvi Prabhakar, Mobilisation**

A Warm and Hearty Welcome to our

**NEW GENERAL
SECRETARY**



Rev Vijay Prasanna

Isaac was born to Mr. D Victor Isaac & Mrs. Thangam Isaac at Bengaluru, Karnataka. He lost his father at very young age and was raised by his mother who led him to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal savior and dedicated his life for God's service during Stanely Prince Annan's meeting in Bengaluru. His mother was a Prayer warrior, Prayer Group leader and adherent supporter of FMPB who prayed and contributed generously for missionary work. She prayerfully nurtured and groomed him in the fear of God with biblical values and a strong commitment for missions. As a spiritual son he was mentored by Rev D Harris Hilton, our first missionary who discipled and infused in him the passion, vision and obligation to

fulfill Great Commission in our motherland India. He was actively involved with the local mobilization ministry along with PG leaders like Mr. Jothinathan and others. He served with Operation Mobilization in North India which deepened his calling and widened his vision for missions. He joined the South India Biblical Seminary, affiliated to the Serampore University, and graduated with the Degree of Bachelor in Theology in 1991. He cultivated the resourceful skills in preaching, training, mentoring and deep passion for missions. Rev G Subburam Robert the then Mobilization Secretary motivated him to join as missionary in FMPB. And in obedience to God's calling, he joined as a Cross-cultural missionary in 1991. His missionary journey began with a brief stint

in Gujarat and was later due to organizational need was placed in Church – Mission mobilization ministry in Karnataka. He was ordained as minister of Church of North India in 2004.

His wife Arputham Selvi is the fourth daughter of (Late) Mr. Eben Azariah (1975 - 1987) and Mrs. Gnanam Azariah (1975 -1999) our senior missionaries from Tuticorin who resigned their jobs as Post Master and Teacher and went along with family to serve as missionaries in Basti & Gonda Uttar Pradesh and later after training at Bethel Bible Institute were placed in Delhi and Punjab. As the Co-Ordinator for Northwestern Zone he pioneered, surveyed and opened many new mission fields including Jammu. She was nurtured in missionary family and groomed in the mission fields context with FMPB ethos. She was highly motivated and inspired by witnessing the godly life and ministry of her parents, she dedicated her life for God's service. After her primary and secondary schooling at Jhansi and Allahabad, she worked with Operation Mobilization in North India. And later joined South India Biblical Seminary, affiliated to the Serampore University, and graduated with the Degree of Bachelor in Theology in 1994.

Sharing the same vision, dedication and passion for Jesus, they were married on 22nd May 1995 and are

blessed with one daughter, Lemuela Saatchi presently pursuing her Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (BOT - 4th Year) at Christian Medical College, Vellore.

After a thriving career in the Church – Mission Mobilization ministry in Karnataka, they pursued on their quest for higher studies sponsored by FMPB at the Union Biblical Seminary, Pune and earned his Degree of Bachelor in Divinity and she earned her Degree of Master in Divinity in 2010. On fruition of their studies, they were called to serve in our head quarter. The Lord exalted him to different leadership roles in the organization as Personal Secretary to GS, Administrative Secretary, Head Quarter Secretary, Church Mission Relations partnership, Professionals forum National network and Divisional Secretary South India in his service over past 33 years. They fulfilled the God given responsibilities faithfully with integrity, humility and par - excellence for HIS glory. The Lord has chosen, prepared, equipped, empowered and mentored through legends like Dr. Samuel Kamalesan using them as a blessing to many through all their rich experiences.

"Congratulations on your new role as The 11th General Secretary of FMPB! May God's wisdom, strength, and guidance be with you as you lead and serve the Lord through this organization.

- Friends Missionary Prayer Band Family

THANK GOD FOR THE NATIONAL PLANNING CONFERENCE 2025!

The National Planning Conference 2025 of the Friends Missionary Prayer Band (FMPB) was held at the Gurukul Theological Seminary Auditorium in Chennai from February 7th to 9th. The theme of the conference was "Raising 1,000 Missionaries, Multiplying Prayer Groups & Enlarging Mission Fields." Approximately 312 invitees, including full-time missionaries, honorary staff, prayer group members, and leaders from across the nation, participated in the event.

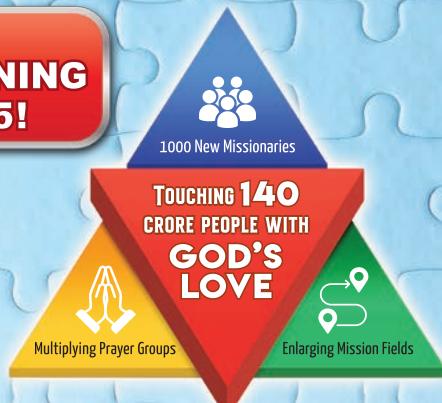
Pre-Conference Fasting Prayer

Before the Planning Conference, an eleven-hour fasting prayer session was held on February 7th, 2025, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nearly 150 people gathered to pray for various concerns related to the ministry, the nation, and God's blessings on the conference. Rev. Jeyapaul Sither, a retired missionary from IEM, shared the Word of God.

During the conference, the General Secretary presented his ministerial report, highlighting God's faithfulness throughout his four-year ministerial journey. The Treasurer presented the approved budget for the fiscal year 2025–2026, emphasizing a growth rate increase from 5.88% to 7.5%. Additionally, Divisional and Zonal Secretaries of FMPB shared prayer concerns, testifying to God's wonderful deeds in mission fields despite numerous challenges and opposition.

Day 1: February 8th, 2025

The conference began with an opening session led by our youth team and missionary kids, under the leadership of Mr. Emmanuel, Honorary Mobilization Regional Secretary of Chennai. They lifted the gathering in praise with lively songs in English, Hindi, and Tamil.



Mr. John Samuel, President of FMPB, presided over the conference and delivered the keynote address. Dr. Jayakumar Christian, a missiologist and former Director of World Vision International, shared the Word of God, focusing on the themes "Sharing God's Pain" and "Nurturing a Restless Intimacy with God."



The session included video documentaries featuring the Malto, Santhal, and Dungra Bhil people groups, along with mission updates.

The guests of honor included:

- Mr. Sylvester Rajasekaran, President of FMPB-US
- Mr. Siju Thomas, National Director of ADF
- Mr. Wilfred Davidar

They encouraged and exhorted the missionaries based on their respective areas of expertise.

Following this, Divisional Heads presented their reports, prompting attendees to glorify God for His marvelous works. The participants were then divided into ten groups for a brainstorming session,

discussing ten specific questions related to mission strategy and growth.

Day 2: February 9th, 2025

The second day of the conference began with a Holy Communion Service, led by Rev. Isaac Raja.

A powerful testimony was shared by Mr. Krishankumar, a missionary who endured 32 days of imprisonment for the sake of the Gospel.

Later, leaders from all ten groups presented their insights and expectations, based on their group discussions. The question-and-answer session demonstrated the deep commitment and concern of each participant for the ministry of FMPB.

The General Secretary, Rev. John Berlin, shared the thrust of the year, encouraging participants to refine their vision and align their efforts with the conference theme.

A Prayer of Commitment was led by Mr. Sam Ponniah, Vice President of FMPB. The conference concluded with a final address from Mr. John Samuel, President of FMPB, titled "FMPB: God's Movement," reminding all of the unique calling and purpose of the mission.

The event closed with a vote of thanks, prayer, and benediction by Rev. John Berlin, General Secretary of FMPB.



Gratitude and Acknowledgment

We express our deepest gratitude to all prayer group leaders, HQ leaders, and volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the National Planning Conference 2025 a blessing.

Glory to God!

- **Rev. Dr. J.J. Harris,**
FMPB, HQ - Secretary



International Women's Day is a global celebration of the achievements and victories of women, observed every year on March 8th. On this day, the programs that are broadcasted honor the accomplishments of women and inspire the next generation to strive for success. However, while women continue to break barriers, many still face self-degradation and humiliation from others.

The Bible offers a remarkable perspective, highlighting ordinary women as models for us to emulate in the modern world. As St. Peter speaks of the "unfading beauty" of these women, he reminds us that this beauty is found in the way the holy women of the past—who put their hope in God-adorned themselves. They did so by submitting to their husbands, as described in 1 Peter 3:4-5.

For those women who focus on external adornment for the sake of self-esteem, the Bible offers a timeless beauty tip: **Obedience**. The beauty that God values cannot be bought with money, worldly

possessions, or human efforts. It is through our time spent with God that He grants us this inner adornment. In the Epistles, **obedience** and **submission** are often used interchangeably in reference to human relationships. Obedience is an act we perform before men, while submission is a quality displayed through our emotional relationship with God. Our relationship with God, and the transformations that His Word brings, are what reveal our obedience and submission.

The Lord sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, into the world to restore the relationship humanity lost in the Garden of Eden. As Philippians 2:7-8 says, "He humbled Himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross." If Jesus was obedient to His Father, how much more should we strive to be obedient and humble?

Throughout the Gospels, we see that Jesus did only what the Father told Him to do and speak. His close relationship with God in His daily life enabled Him to be obedient

even unto death. Jesus is, therefore, our ultimate model for learning obedience and submission. In Ephesians 5:22, Paul instructs wives to be submissive to their husbands, recognizing the family as an institution established by God. In this structure, the Bible identifies the husband as the head of the family. While there are various opinions on the equality of husbands and wives, the Bible teaches us to live in unity with and submission to our husbands, as we submit to Christ in this divinely ordained institution.

Both husbands and wives are made righteous through the blood of Jesus and are called to live holy lives, establishing Christian homes. This environment also nurtures the growth of children in love

and a relationship with God. When we emphasize submission to God and strive for harmony in our personal and family lives, we can reflect Christ in our public lives. By acting in obedience to God, we demonstrate His love to those around us and help save others from destruction. God uses us to meet the needs of people in various communities and cultures.

Because we play the role as wife, mother, leader, sender, supporters etc, beloved, let us adorn our lives with the beauty of obedience and submission, so that we could reflect the love of God in all that we do.

Happy Women's Day to all of you!

- Mrs. Maniselsi Sarathy
(Secretary - Women Wing)

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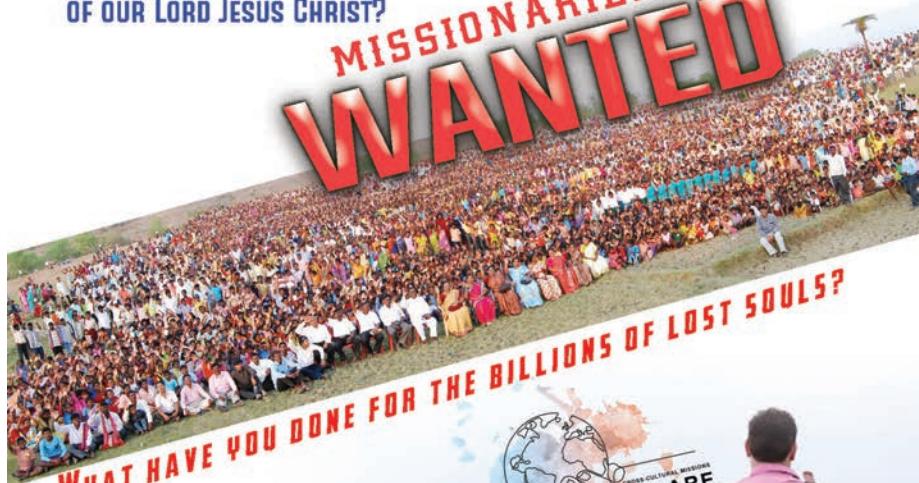
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PIPLAIDEVI CHURCH HISTORY



Ahwa Field, Sahyadri Region

Rev. L. Masilamani

General:

Pipalaidevi is a medium size village located in the Subir taluka of the Dangs district, Gujarat. In Pipalaidevi village, most of the village population is from Schedule Tribe (ST). Schedule Tribe (ST) constitutes 98.79 % of total population in Pipalaidevi village. There is no population of Schedule Caste (SC) in Pipalaidevi village of The Dangs. The people of Pipalaidevi are engaged as Marginal activity cultivators (owner or co-owner) and Agricultural laborers.

The Beginning:

On 8-5-1981, L. Masilamani, his wife Mrs. Vanmathi and their first son M. John

Kingsly (two years and eight months old) opened the Ahwa field by going and settling in a rented house in Pipaldahad village. Brothers G. Samuel and S. Arulraj joined them on 27-9-1981. But they moved to other mission fields and ministries soon. While doing ministry they found out that there was a good receptivity in the nearby Junner village and they moved to Junner village on 30-11-1981. Due to opposition in Junner village, the missionary family left Junner on 30-8-1982 and went to Ahwa for staying. The Ahwa CNI church pastor Rev. T. V. Gaikwad helped them much in this opposition time. As the Dolyambar village headman and Manu Bhai invited the missionaries to their village, Missionaries went to live in Dolyambar village on 12-3-1983.

Dolyambar village became a strategic place to tell the gospel to the nearby villages and for those who came to know Christ through God's chosen vessels to contact the FMPB missionary to develop the ministry in their villages.

Missionary family had to go to this village by walking a distance of nearly eight kms carrying their infant twin boys in 1984 to go to Ahwa for purchasing or for any other works. From 1983 to 1987 there were no contacts for the missionaries in this village. But in 1987 God brought some families to Dolyambar village after getting healings in unique ways. Really it was God's time for Pipalaidevi to establish His kingdom from 1987 onwards.

Opposition:

In July 1988 there was much opposition in Piplaidevi and ministry could not be carried out. In 1990 the village headman Ramu Bhai came to follow Christian faith to get healing from his stomach pain and to get victory over his alcoholic addiction. It was a breakthrough for the Christian congregation to get relieved of opposition in the village. It also gave a recognition for the Christian faith and many people came to faith in 1990. 30 people took baptism in 1990. The weekly meeting was shifted to the house of the village headman till a kacha (temporary) church was built in front of the house of the village headman.

Miracles in Piplaidevi Church History

Daulat Bhai Jhunjhar Bhai and Shukri Ben Daulat Bhai:

I was drinking alcohol and was involved in fighting. Suddenly a great calamity came on our life. My wife got chest pain became so weak that she could not do any work. I did many pujas through the shamans and spent much on offering many things for the pujas. But no difference was seen in the health of my wife. So, we went to the Kamat church for prayer there the missionaries prayed for my wife. Immediately my wife was healed, we then started following Jesus Christ. Then we attend the Dolyambar church as there is no church in our village.

Shentu Bhai Reshma Bhai and Naiji Ben Shentu:

My wife was tormented by evil spirits and suffered from many illnesses, while

I was addicted to alcohol. We spent a lot of money on bhagat worships and offerings, and my wife tried herbal medicines, but her condition worsened. With no more money to spend, we decided to visit Dolyambar church for healing. After my wife was prayed for, her sicknesses left her within eight days, and she was completely healed. We have been attending the Dolyambar church ever since.

Shukria Bhai's wife Kengu Ben narrates:



After the delivery of her first child in 1989, she became very weak and could not walk, crawling on the floor. Her husband took her to Garkhadi by bullock cart, where there was a church. They had tried pujas with shamans, but she didn't find any relief. Some people advised her to visit the Garkhadi church for healing. Gopichand Bhai prayed for her, and she stayed in her husband's sister's home while being prayed for over the course of a month. After receiving healing, they began attending the Taklipada church.

Goma Bhai Gondya Bhai Jadhav:



I suffered from a skin disease and tried witch doctors and herbal medicines, but nothing worked. The village headman, a Christian, encouraged me to go to church. Evangelist Dhansukh Bhai prayed for me and also blessed the medicines from the government hospital. Gradually, my health improved, and the white patches from leprosy disappeared. I was healed and took baptism in 1990.

Amriya Bhai Raju Bhai Vadhyaa:



I struggled with alcohol, mental issues, and even considered suicide. I lived a troubled life, once even setting my house on fire and wandering in a saree. My younger brother, Sonu, invited me to church for healing. I went to Taklipada church, where Evangelist Jivalya Bhai prayed for me, and I heard God's word. Over time, I stopped drinking and was healed from my physical and mental struggles, including my sight problems. It took a year, but I fully recovered. I've been living in faith for the last 22 years.

Again in 1988 and 1989 God stirred many people in Piplaidevi village to go to the nearby churches to get healings. FMPB evangelists and missionaries prayed for these seekers in these churches and helped them find Christ. Following few testimonies testified, the congregation had its beginning in Piplaidevi village.

Church Growth

Village headman coming to the faith and the believers sharing their faith to the sick relatives were the main reasons for the church growth. Nav Jeevan Seva Mandal shifted its medical clinic from Dolyambar to Piplaidevi in 1990. The CNI dean Rev. Jivalya Bhai family was working in this clinic. They also shared the gospel to many people who came to the clinic and prayed for the sick people. By 1996 nearly 90 families came to faith in Piplaidevi village.

Church construction and Dedication

In 1990, the village headman Ramu Bhai came forward to put up a kacha church in front of his home. Sonu Bhai Raju Bhai describes about the construction of the kacha church: Then number of believers increased. All decided to put up a kacha church. Every believer contributed one wood from their homes. We all brought Karvi (one kind of thick grass used for wall) for the church. Then we built that church. On 26-9-1990, Rev. T.V. Gaikwad, Ahwa CNI pastor, dedicated the kacha church in Piplaidevi village. In December. 2000 the **second church** was constructed and Rev. D. Abraham was the field missionary. It was a semi-pucca church. Pastor Dudley Thangiah of Madurai dedicated that church. This church was constructed in the land donated by the school teacher Mr. Sitaram Bhai Chamar Bhai. On 5-1-2008, beginning of the construction of the **third church** (the present church) was started. On 12-10-2010, this new church was dedicated. The RFS Rev. S. Arulraj came for the church dedication. Some prayer group members came with him.

The land was donated by Sitaram Bhai. There was no opposition during the church construction. Total labour was given by the believers freely.

Church Activities and Important Information

Four families used to come from Pokudmal villages. Bhil and Kukna are the people groups in this Church. Majority people are from Bhil tribe. 250 people are attending the worship services. 60 per cent people go to work in sugarcane fields. Sitaram Bhai conducts the worship services. Mothiram Bhai also helps in conducting prayers. Sitaram Bhai or his son Manoj Bhai helps in conducting the meetings. Worship services, Cottage Prayer meetings, Friday prayer meetings and Wednesday night meetings are conducted regularly. Youth camps are conducted in

a year once or twice. Women gatherings are done occasionally. Revival and special meetings are conducted four times a year. Non- Christians demanded contribution to their religious festivals, but Christians do not contribute. Fasting Prayer is conducted once in two months. Sick people are met and prayed for.

Prayer Concerns

- Total village people should be won for Christ
- Believers should grow strong in faith and continue in faith without backsliding.
- Sunday school to be continued.
- Migration of people for work from September to April every year.
- For them to stay strong when they fall sick and not fall back in faith.

A Meeting With The General Secretary of

CNI

FMPB President Mr John Samuel had a formal meeting with Rev Dr Ajith Kumar, General Secretary, Church of North India at the CNI Bhavan, New Delhi. During the meeting, they had detailed discussions about the partnership in missions between FMPB



and CNI in all the Dioceses of North India. The partnership will help FMPB to reach out to all the North Indian States, by working together with CNI in unreached areas. It will also help CNI to expand its missionary vision. The CNI's jurisdiction covers all the states of India with the exception of the five states in the south.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Tinggeu Zeme, Mr. Dalzakam Suantak
Mrs. Surabhi Beero Ashok Nayak
Mrs. Ellah Pamei Zeme, Mr. Binot Sompramary
Mr. Lunkim Tongkam Khongsai, Mr. Ditungbou K.
Mr. Jaybeer Singh, Mr. Letkhulon Baite
Mrs. Tingnei Neng Singson, Mr. Dihe S.
Mr. Omprakash Gupta, Mr. Thangvansang G.
Mrs. Margreat Singh Das, Mrs. Hoitin Mate Lal
Mr. Ningthoujam Alon Singh
Mr. Jamkhongam Haokip L.

Jammu

Noushera: Sianlunthang Zou & Lingneihoi

Praise God: For the people showing eagerness for the Gospel in spite of the prevailing opposition. For Ruby and Mamtha praying for 10 years and 6 years respectively for the gift of a child, had their prayers answered. Saurav received deliverance from the possession of evil spirit. For Poli Devi suffering from nervous disorder for the past 15 years, received a miraculous healing.

Pray: For Paisagiram suffering from kidney ailment and Samraj suffering from an indigestion problem for 10 years to receive healing. For Priya's husband who constantly abuse her due to his alcoholism, to repent and relinquish his evil habit. For Sanjay

to be reconciled back to his family. For Aarthi a responsible person with the Church activities, is now hesitant to come to the Church due to the opposition from her community. Pray the Lord should strengthen her.

Himachal

Rampur: Dou Japao Guite & Florence Lamvung

Praise God: For the miraculous protection experienced by our missionaries on their way to conduct a Church service, when their vehicle met with an accident and toppled over into a big pit and they escaped with minor injuries. For our Local Evangelist while driving down a hill, his bike hit against a rock but his life was spared mercifully. Chitra Devi confidently prayed to the Lord, even as her grandson was struggling to breath. God answered her prayers and the boy's life was restored

Pray: For Sathish who fiercely opposes his mother for attending Church to have a change of heart. For Meenaram and Suraj who have backslidden in their heart and prove to be a big stumbling block for the believers to repent and turn back to the Lord. For our believer's children appearing for their final board exams in School to score well. For Open doors for the Gospel to prevail in Tiyothi village.



Anni:

Gin Sawm & Ching Hoihkim

Praise God: For the new contacts Ksbin, Jesnwanth, Prema, Tharam Dhas we got to be a blessing for the furtherance of the Gospel. For alcohol addict Manish who relinquished this evil habit and became sober, in response to the faithful prayers of his family. For Pangudevi who suffered ill health for a long time, received healing when our believer prayed for her.

Pray: For Ksbin suffering from a bodily itch and Jeshwanth from satanic bondage to experience deliverance. For Prema, and our believer's children Sushma, Lakshmi Chandra and Rajnishri to find suitable life partners. For worship services to be started in new villages.

Rohru:

Johnson Sankar & Jebarani

Praise God: One family each from Daiyuni and Savura areas have come to the faith. The Lord was the fortress for Naiguram whose house was visited by burglars in his absence, and yet nothing in the house was stolen. For God's protection of Kushal who was electrocuted in his workplace and escaped without major injury.

Pray: For Akansha, Muscan and Kalpana under the bondage of Satan, inflict harm to themselves, to receive deliverance. For Nairubai who has an excessive growth in his stomach causing him much pain, to receive healing. For Shiyam Lal whose leg was amputated during a surgery, struggles to walk now. Pray he would soon have access and practice with an artificial limb.

Rekongpeo:

A. Sankar & Ruth Mary

Praise God: Panjchand under hospitalisation as his pulse decreased, was healed through the prayers of the believers, the Lord provided him healing and he recovered. and was discharged from the hospital safely. The Christian wedding ceremonies of Neelam and Pujlu was conducted for the Glory of God. For the gradual healing of Dhikaram after he met with an accident.

Pray: For Poonam, Rupa, Seema, Asha, Ashwin, Avanthika, Kakmang, Mareesman, Raji and Ajay who regularly attend the Church worship service, but show reluctance for a public confession of their faith, to soon be led to experiencing Jesus as their personal Saviour. Because the new born calf in Sunitha's house was born blind, the villagers declared that her house is under curse. The Lord to help Sunitha be vindicated be a blessing in her village.



Happy Birthday

Mr. John Samuel A.

Mr. Jeevan Ranjan Mohapatra

Mrs. Prastuta Bati Pani, Mr. Thang Chin Lian L.

Mrs. Mercy Elizabeth Sivasankaran

Nerwa: Emmanuel Jeba & Sangeetha Jesintha

Praise God: For the fasting prayers that were conducted in 5 places. Many believers joined for prayers purely by the Grace of God.

Pray: For the believers to attend the Church service without fail, and for obedience to the Word of God. For the many new worship groups which have recently sprung up not to cause hindrance to the worship groups established by this ministry. For the Lord to ordain a spiritual revival in Bangal and Attal villages. For the Lord to bless our missionary family with a child

Punjab

Jaito: Chittaranjan Tandy & Tejaswita Tandy

Praise God: For the open doors and good receptivity among the Kaidik people group towards the Gospel. A prayer fellowship has been started among the youth with prayers focussed for the deliverance of youth under bondage to drug addiction. For the miraculous life transformation of Jaspal Singh from a drug pedlar,

to a zealous disciple for Christ. For Surender Singh who has joined as a new Local Evangelist.

Pray: For Ajay Singh suffering from a depression for the past 7 years has now started coming to the Church to receive healing through prayers and faith. For the divine consolation of the family of Mandeep Singh who lost his battle against Cancer. For Paramjith Singh and Raja Singh to be delivered from their addiction to drugs. For Sindhar Kaur's family who are being prepared for a public confession of their faith to grow further in their faith upon Christ. For the outreach ministry started in Amritsar area to be fruitful.

Mansa: Debrattra Biswas & Manna Singh

Praise God: For the people who have newly started attending the Church. For the first time Satsangs which had been conducted in Kurukni and Naba villages. Many attended and heard the Gospel. Training meets were conducted for Women leaders and Church Elders.

Pray: For the Satsangs to be conducted well in Sarka, Nangal and Rathnagar villages. For the film ministry done in Eesha Nagar, Pajvala and Purji areas. For many new contacts to be found. The Soul winners training camp to be organized successfully and for many Church Elders to participate with zeal. For Amarjith Singh who is desiring for a child for the past ten years, has now come to the Church to pray for a child. For the Lord to answer his prayers. For Ganesh Ram and Sansingh to come back to the Lord.



Happy Birthday

Mr. John Berlin S.
Mr. Thimmesh M.P.
Mr. Kishanta Limma
Mr. Dinesh Maraiya
Mrs. Pansuri Mohlin Bidhan

Ahmadgarh Mandi: Krupa Rakshana Barre & Shakena

Praise God: For the new worship groups that have been started in Dhulma, Rohit and Moudi villages. Asha suffering from TB is now recovering with good progress, due to her fervent prayers. For the Lord's protection to Reena who met with an accident in an auto rickshaw, and escaped.

Pray: For new worship services to be started in Jandal and Dosthar villages. For the upcoming public confession of faith event, Church Elder's training to be conducted successfully. For the healing of Church Elder Santhali's mother-in-law who is suffering with infirmities & her son Alok suffering from epilepsy every morning. Pray for the healing of this family.

Bathinda: Sanjib Anand & Prastutabati

Praise God: The Satang was conducted in the 4 villages. The counselling and spiritual camp conducted for the youth was a great blessing to many who participated. For Raja Singh who received healing from kidney ailment, is now attending the Church service. Moni Singh addicted to sinful habits and drugs, has received deliverance. For Rani Kaur and Satvir Kaur our Church Elders are eagerly involving in various Church ministries

Pray: For the Lord to raise up committed Local evangelists and voluntary workers for the ministry in the mission field. For Karan, Indresh and Kuldeep addicted to alcoholism, to receive deliverance. For the Church construction work going on in Bairuba and PUCHO Mandi villages, to be successfully completed. For Lovepreet suffering from diabetics and Rajasingam under the bondage of satanic forces, to receive deliverance. For our missionary's parents suffering from a sickness, to be healed completely.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Thangammal Jebaraj
Mr. Sunil Matthew K.
Mr. Ravi Kumar S.
Mrs. Stella David Perumal
Mr. Sambhunath Nayak
Mr. Lubin Murmu

Uttarkhand

Bazpur: Christian Prakash & Sumitra Ben

Praise God: For a senior pujari Vinod has given up his old way of life. For Sohani, unable to sleep due to nightmares, received complete healing when she came to the Church and prayed. Our Believer Shivram received the job of a Tasildar with the Government. Sundari who frequently fainted and collapsed, received complete healing due to persistent prayers.

Pray: For the healing of Sayana suffering from stomach cancer and Savitha from blood cancer. For Lakshman who suffers from water accumulation around his heart and unable to work due to his sickness, to receive healing. For an elderly person Prem Joshi, who suffers from mental sickness and picks up fight with the villagers, to receive healing. For those being prepared for a public confession of faith, to grow in their faith and overcome any hindrances that come their way.

Kichha:

Bibhaba Pani & Bithika

Praise God: For the eager involvement of the families of Andrew and Aman in the ministry. For Nisha who received healing from paralysis by prayers.

Pray: For the open doors to be provided by the Lord for the Gospel, in the villages of Sandhipura, Pandhnagar, Sakthiparm and Lalpur. For our believers to remain steadfast in their faith even amidst the prevailing opposition in their village, for their Christian faith. For the Lord's provision of a place to conduct our worship service in Kichha field. For Sukwinder's family to be blessed with children. For our believers to have the means and the resources to educate their children.

Maldhanchour:

Shishu Pal & Anita

Praise God: For the deliverance of Sekar Singh and Dharampal from alcoholism and Bittu, Deepa & Anjal from satanic bondages. For the blessing of a baby for the family of Prasandh to the Glory of God.

Pray: For the villagers of Narayanpur and Jyothipura who constantly hinder our believers, to have a change of heart. For the deliverance of Sunila and Sarvesai from the bondage of evil spirit. For Bindersingh and Baldev to be delivered from their alcoholism. For Kalidas, Kando, Prasandh, Pooja, Inderpal, Meenashi, Dharmender and Anuradha to boldly confess their faith publicly. For Anuradha and Meenakshi to be blessed with a safe confinement. For the healing of our missionary Anita's kidney ailment.



Happy Birthday

Mr. James Arulraj M.

Dineshpur:

Siva Kumar & Susila Marg

Praise God: For His provisions of open doors in four villages for the proclamation of the Gospel. Seema who has been sick for many days received healing, in response to prayers. Due to the persistent prayers of Pavan Geetha, her child who had bow legs is receiving progressive healing and is beginning to walk properly. For Suraj our believer who was able to construct his own house.

Pray: For the complete healing received by our new believer Paramjeeth of Daspura village from epilepsy, Vishal of Keda village from fatty liver and Ashish of Camp 1 from kidney ailment. For the deliverance of Neeraj Kaur of Kampur and Suvedha of Keda village from the possession of evil spirit.

Haryana

Barwala:

Mintu Kutum & Subhra Bag

Praise God: For He enabled us to conduct Satsangs and Church Elders meet in three places. For Sanjay a 17 year old who suffered an accident, but escaped without any fractures. Many

youth took part in the Bible games in Kayipur village and in the Annual Youth camp and were benefitted. For Poonam of Saniyan village suffering from TB even after hospitalisation and treatment, received healing when she prayed.

Pray: For the healing of Naresh suffering from nervous disorder in the limbs and neck. For the new comer to our Church, Pari to receive vision in his eyes. For Neelam of Rajidhani colony suffering from bleeding and kidney ailment, to receive healing. For Anil of Jindh village who suffered critical injury in a severe accident and undergoing hospitalisation to receive healing.

Ratia:

Karthikeyan & Jeyanthi

Praise God: For Papli who received healing from TB due to her persistent prayers. For the believers of Mirana village Church, to have a joyful celebration of their Church anniversary. For Rekha who received deliverance from Satanic bondage through prayers. For the Lord who met the needs of Satpal for the construction of his house. For the women's prayer meet functioning very well.

Pray: For the healing of Varuna from TB. For Rekha, Jyothi, Papli fervently praying for the gift of children, to have their prayers answered. For 13-year-old Rajvir Singh still unable to speak as per her age to receive the gift of speech. For Ajay, Satnam and Pooja to receive a committed groom for their lives. For Pashiba suffering from swollenness in her whole body, to receive healing.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Gilbert Williams S.
Mr. Solomon Gnanasekhar J.
Mr. Tong Kho Lun Kipgen, Mr. John Arulraj
Mrs. Lianbiaknemi Singh

Tosham: Ajay Barde

Praise God: For the Gospel that had been proclaimed through Satsang Programmes. God's Grace enabled the start of a worship service in Balvas village. 7 youth from Tosham village took part in the Regional Bible Exam eagerly. For the protection upon Krishnan of Balvas village from an accident.

Pray: For Lakshmi's brother, an alcohol addict who constantly abuses his family members, to repent and receive deliverance and Salvation. For Jagdish, Pratap, Papli, families to continue coming to the Church. For the safe confinement of Neha after a long period of waiting. For the upcoming planned film ministry and Soul winners camp to be successfully conducted.

Rajasthan

Khajuwala (New): V. Kumar & Patricia

Praise God: For the family in 8 KD colony who offered his house for Christian meeting. For the family of Maya Devi colony who attended this meet invited the missionaries to proclaim the Gospel in their colony also. For Gurusaran who had a block in the

arteries of his heart, received healing in response to prayers. For the family which has opened their house for conducting worship service, and actively shares the Word of God in and around the villages there.

Pray: For Gurudev Singh of 27 KD Colony to receive healing from the liver problem. For Sukpreet who suffers from depression and roams outside to receive healing. For Pooja to continue her education without any restrictions from her parents. For our believer's children who prepare for Government jobs to be placed in Government sectors. For our youth not to get caught in alcoholic and drug addiction.

Tapukara: Daniel Marvel Raj & Jebaseeli & Rajammal Johnson

Praise God: For enabling Sunitha struggling from a lack of housing to buy her own house. For Tejbai who has been delivered from alcohol and drug addiction by prayers. and his family members now attending the Church and becoming supporters of our mission work. For Jagindher who had promised to give his first income from his shop to the Lord, has fulfilled his promise with God's help.

Pray: For Ajit an alcoholic addict constantly abusing his family to repent of his evil habit and to receive Christ in his life. For Harjit to get a born-again spouse. For Vijay, preparing for Central Govt exams to score well. For a suitable land to be procured for the construction of a Church in this field.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Hamuel Limma
Miss. Rani Uranw

Uttar Pradesh

Sikandra:

Pachiya Bhai & Savita Ben

Praise God: For the Health and Hygiene meetings that were organised for the believers in 4 places. The believers grow in their faith amidst persecution. For the Lord's protection upon the believers whose health was preserved in this cold season, from many seasonal infections. For Kamalesh who received healing from a poisonous insect bite.

Pray: For the Lord to bless the efforts being taken for the establishment of new worship groups in Salempur, Ingvara and Nandu villages. For the night meetings to be restarted in Purdai, Rajpur and Ninokra villages. For our believers to remain courageous and to safe guard their faith amidst persecution. For Himansha, Bharath, and a few more like them to be delivered of all the confusions. For the upcoming Soul winner's training and outreach ministry to be fruitful and be blessed by the Lord.

Let's say a prayer for our Women!

Women are a wonderful creation of God, deserving celebration, yet face numerous challenges in our nation. These include unequal pay (earning 40 rupees for every 100 rupees earned by men), racial injustice, gender-based violence, inadequate healthcare, and limited education (65.46% for females vs. 80.88% for males). Other issues include human trafficking (at least 3 women per day), online harassment, domestic violence (38%), selective abortion, female infanticide, dowry, child marriages, and low family status. As of December 2024, there were 707 million women in India.

Let us pray for

1. More women leaders to rise.
2. Flexible work arrangements for work-life balance.
3. Women to be valued and respected in families and society.
4. Policies that support a healthy work-life balance for career success.
5. Women to be protected at home and in society and to achieve in all areas.
6. Protection, health, and divine use of the 436 married women missionaries, 36 unmarried women, and 15 single women in FMPB.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Vasanthi Stella Emmanuel
Mr. David P., Mrs. Pravati Mani Vinod Kumar
Mrs. Ponnuthai Gnanasundari Arthur

Haseran: Suresh Malto & Premlatha

Praise God: For the healing received by Sandhya from Jaundice and low blood count. For Rakesh the grandson of Ayush who slipped and fell from the terrace was miraculously protected by the Lord. For Ragisnath whose throat was lodged by a fish bone and suffered an injury, was healed in response to prayers. In just about time, the people noticed Anurag stuck in the gutter waters and responded and quickly saved his life.

Pray: For Sardar Ramkrishan who is constantly opposing the Jogi people group to stop them from attending the Church to repent of his wickedness. For Sarvesh unable to sleep through the night, to receive healing. For our believer Rampetty Yadav's daughter Aarthi, to find a Christian life partner. For the repentance of Ramkumar's wife, who has left him to reconcile and

come back. For the Lord to intervene in the hearts of forest officials who prevent Ramkishore and Suthendar from constructing houses, even though they have received documents from the local administration in this regard, to relent and grant the necessary sanction.

Basti: J Srinivasan & Sheeba G Chandra

Praise God: 35 youth took part in the 2 day youth camp and were benefitted. For the Lord's protection upon the believers and the missionaries in this severe cold season. When our missionary shared about the ministry in Uttar Pradesh in the women's meet in Bangalore, many fervently prayed for the ministry.

Pray: For the healing of mentally affected Sudha of 18years and Karunama by the mercy of the Lord. For our believer Deepa's father Pablo to be delivered of his addiction to alcohol. For Amaravathi to be healed of eye ailment. For the Lord to provide his miraculous deliverance of our former Local evangelist Harihar Yadav and 5 others who have been arrested by the Police. For the Lord to provide good job opportunities to the youth who are regularly attending the Church and seeking the Lord.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Selva Kumar R. @ Joseph Wilson
Mrs. Promila Soren
Mrs. Sharmila Satheesh

Bharthana: Rajan & Jebamalar

Praise God: For Rohit, Meera and Anil who received deliverance from Satanic bondages. 7-year-old Dhanraj who was unable to speak, received his voice after they prayed. For Sonu's wife Asha suffering from excessive bleeding received healing when they prayed with faith.

Pray: For Sumruthi Mamtha and Pradeep to confess their faith publicly. For a favourable judgement for the believers in the ongoing case against Megna Church. For the false case hoisted against Local Evangelist Syam Sunder, to be discharged for lack of evidence. For Raveender suffering from satanic bondage and Vijayagar who is unable to walk to receive healing.

Ghatampur: Jangkholun Touthang & Ngaithianching Touthang

Praise God: After two years of closure, the Ghatampur Church has been cleaned, reopened and worship service started with the help of local

police. The worship services in all the Churches is being conducted with permission from the local police. For Sunita's son in law who formerly used to hate the Church has now accepted Christ in his life and is coming to the worship service.

Pray: For the safe and meticulous functioning of the service at Ghatampur Church. For some believers who are scared to come for the Church service due to the tightening of protocol by the Police department to find courage in Christ to worship freely. Even in these circumstances, those believer families who faithfully come for the services, to be blessed by the Lord.

Jalaun (Sirsakalar): Rakesh Ratilal Gavit & Irgar Reshma Maruti

Praise God: A new prayer group has been started and another new prayer group is functioning in a house. A family in Umri village has come into the faith. The ministry in the Rampur sub field is being fruitful.

Pray: For Ramgandh of Dhikkar village to receive healing from paralysis. For the families of Dinesh and Hemalatha suffering from childlessness to be blessed with the gift of a child. For Gandhiben suffering from TB to receive healing and recover. For open doors to prevail for ministry in Kuniyapura, Dhushipura and Jagampur villages. For Jhanvi suffering from persisting fever attacks, to receive healing.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Asir Selvaraj C.
Mr. Praween Das
Mr. Satikanta Parichha

Madya Pradesh

Khargone: Binit Prasad Bardhan & Amojita Binit

Praise God: Inspite of the instant opposition to the distribution of spiritual tracts in the villages of Jalalbani, Siptan, Saikkada, Rampura, Naigot and Saradhpur, there was still a good receptivity for the Gospel. 35 Women took part in the importance of soul winning training that was conducted.

Pray: For Anitha of Silodiya village to receive deliverance from evil spirit possession. For Amritha a little girl who has not fully developed her ability to speak right from her infancy, to receive speech. For the healing of Barga Nayak suffering from sores on his hands and legs frequently. For the repentance of those who fiercely oppose the Gospel in Karadiya

village. For the prayer meet which has been stopped in Nagva village, to be restarted.

Chirya: Mahendran & Puspham

Praise God: For Kariyabutha who had mortgaged his land failed to get back his land even after payment of dues, the believers gathered and prayed fervently and as a result of prayers, the land was released back to the rightful owner. When there wasn't sufficient water source to cultivate the land for farming, the Salpal family fervently prayed to the Lord and dug a fresh well to find a remarkable water source at a mere 15 feet of depth. When Rekha who struggled to find a house to live sought the Lord, the Lord provided her a house through a government scheme.

Pray: For the Lord to work mightily in the Doulatpur area where the Gospel was proclaimed. For the people of Ravram village who has prevented the proclamation of the Gospel in their village, to repent and relent. For Sadhana to receive deliverance from the bondage of evil spirit. For the healing of Sonibai who suffers from boils in his armpits, rendering him unable to work.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Shiny Kinsly
Mr. Letkhogin Mate

Assom

Gohpur: Nathan Kumar Bebarta & Nirupoma Nathan

Praise God: The believers meetings were conducted in 2 villages and a night meeting was organised in a new village. The Lord blessed Anitha with a safe confinement. The follow up were conducted in 7 villages and new contacts were encouraged with the Word of God.

Pray: For Churches to be constructed soon in 3 new villages. For Nobeen who shows keen interest in the Gospel to grow in his faith. For our missionary's wife Nirubama suffering from thyroid problem to recover without the need for a surgery. For the Lord to mightily use our voluntary mission workers – Roman Pehu, Mahesh Badri, Monuram Pehu, Seelakantha Pachsung in their fields.

Bihar / Eastern Gangetic Region

Raniganj: M. Ananthan & Nisha I

Praise God: For the follow up ministry

conducted in Raikka, Simma and Sikki villages. For Satyadev Rishi of Rakka village suffering from a sickness, received healing when he prayed.

Pray: For worship groups to be started in new villages. For the healing of Munnidevi and Mandar Rishi and a new worship service to be established in Simma village through them. For the new contacts established in the new villages, to grow in faith and for them to minister in their places of living.

Eastern Gangetic Region: Babu Pushparaj & Rachel Joice

Praise God: For the effective conduct of Follow up Ministry in Rakka, Simma, Sikni and Pakkashi villages. A new worship group has been started in Kera village. Gospel was shared through drama in Fathepur, Ramthunga, Bengalpari and Mahathpur areas.

Pray: For the new comer in faith Munnidevi's vision to be restored. For committed Local Evangelists to minister to the Rajvansi people group who extend an open door to the Gospel. For the Lord to use Niraj who has committed to minister in Triveni village. The follow up ministry to be conducted in Mirswa, Rathansha, Dhankala and Bhilluva villages. For the right opportunity to share the Gospel through medical camp in Sakarsa village.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Hutoi Achumi K.
Mr. Yesuprakash J.

Jharkhand

Jama & Maharo Hostel: Munna Mohindiar & Sumithadas

Praise God: By the Grace of God, new worship centres have been established in Thumbarpant, Thuthali and Domnadi villages. The soul winners training was conducted for the congregations in two places. The outreach ministry was conducted fruitfully in 4 places.

Pray: For the commitment taken by the Church Elders and believers who had attended the Soul winners training camp to be faithful in leading their co villagers to Christ, by sharing the Gospel. For the believers who migrate to other areas in search of work to be faithful to the Lord. For the healing of Ramadan Soran affected with paralysis. For Anidh Murmu, Sonomi Hemrom and Ganesh Marandy to be healed from epilepsy. For Patel Hemrom affected with depression to receive healing.

Lalmatia: Amarendhiran & Gowramma

Praise God: The Gospel was proclaimed in new villages. For Jessica who received deliverance from demonic clutches. The

Lord enabled the missionaries to visit patients in Hospitals and share the Word of God. For the complete healing received by Palgi, Dev Narayan and Nirmala through their prayers after a long time of sickness.

Pray: As some believers were being prepared for public confession of their faith in Christ, Thalababu Besti of Palgomi village, Priya Hansdak of Kadara village and Thalababu of Thalgali village they passed away. So the villagers forced our believers to forsake their Christian faith; our believers to stand firm in their faith as they declare their faith publicly. For Salomi affected with Cancer to receive healing. For Thalabati Murmu who suffers from fluid collection in his liver, to receive healing from the Lord.

Amalagachi: Gajen Champramary & Roshila Mochahry

Praise God: The night meet was conducted in a big way in Dalaipuri village. About 350 persons attended this meet and heard the Word. Our accidental travel in a wrong route led us to sharing the Gospel in a new village by the Grace of God.

Pray: The seeds of the Gospel sown in Bagarpur and Dalaipur vilages to bear fruit. For the planned new worship group to be established in Sanbaharil village to be successful. For a few religious groups who prevent the established way of sharing the Gospel by visiting houses of the village people. For the Church Elders and the Local Evangelists to be able to lead their Congregation in fruitful and spiritual ways.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Elizabeth David
Mr. Vyasu Babu A.
Mrs. Vung ThianChing Thang
Mrs. Birari Ritaben

Hansdiha: P. Senthilkumar & Muthuselvi

Praise God: Luciya Church Elder Hepna who was in his death bed due to a sickness recovered miraculously through the prayers of the believers. The Lord foiled the plans of the enemies who wanted to kill our Subbaram Church Elder. Due to the miraculous healing of Manoj from epilepsy, his family has now accepted Christ in their lives.

Pray: For the upcoming three-day Mela to be successfully conducted. The Boarding facilities, food and toilet facilities, the children and youth sessions, the singing team and the preachers of God's Word to be arranged well. For the villages of Akkavana, Dabai and Kamuniya where house visits are regularly happening, to materialise into establishing Worship groups by the Grace of God.

Bethel Boys Hostel - Kaerabani: Manoj Kumar Pani & Santhani Pani

Praise God: The students of the hostel eagerly participated in the youth retreat and were counselled spiritually. A one-day children's retreat which was conducted, was a blessing. Rubin Murmu suffering from typhoid for the past 20 days received healing in response to prayers. For Ajay Soren, and Kishon Soren who received healing from an infection in the ears.

Pray: For Godly wisdom upon Barnabas and Jaresh who are writing their final exams in their college. To find a solution for the recurring water shortage issue and faulty generator issue. For our students residing in college hostels to be witnesses for Christ before others. For the healing of William Tudu from swelling in the leg, Daniel Soren and Besra from epilepsy, Shylesh and James Marandy from their ailment and Simon Baski from fungal infection. For the Lord to bless our hostel staff with good health and wisdom. For the requirement of a committed warden to take care of the boys.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Aruna Kingsly, Mr. Stalin Jeeva N.
Mrs. Paran Jothy Lucina Subramanian
Mrs. Angelin Vasanthi Elangovan
Mr. Hijam Kenedy Singh
Mr. Rajan S., Miss. Shila Hansdak

Bhagaiya: P. Jebakumar & Ponlatha J

Praise God: For Sargun who received complete deliverance from satanic bondage through prayers. The Lord's protection upon our believers and missionaries in the cold winter season. For the miraculous protection received by our missionary Jebakumar in the accidental fall from his two-wheeler.

Pray: For two-year-old Esther affected with tumour in her head and undergoing hospitalisation and treatment, to be healed by divine mercy. Pray for her expenses to be met. For Bajrangi of Dolathpur village showing keen interest in the Gospel, to be led to a saving faith in Christ. For worship groups to be started in Kanpur, Sripur, Pathargani, Naadi and Kumardo

villages. For the Lord to bless the efforts taken to build a Church in Masuriya village. Our believer parents and their youth children, to realise the importance of Holy Matrimony and commit themselves to holy living. For the repentance of Munilal, Doma, Jegadeesh, Shankar, Chotelal and Madhu Oravan, who oppose the Gospel.

Littipada: Ebenezer Samuel & Maybel

Praise God: For the miraculous healing of our Rohangat Church Elder Sakkalbai's wife during her labour. Munshi Marandy suffering from depression and causing much strife for his family is now healed by prayers and living in harmony with his family.

Pray: For the successful conduct of Believers camp, Bible study groups and Church Elders Training camp. For our Kadadola Church Elder's wife to have a safe confinement. For the planned Believers Mela to be conducted without any hindrances. For the Gospel to be preached in new villages of Jageshwar, Sampur, Sahel and Thagarangi and Churches to be established as a result of the ministry.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Yecto Chophy
Mrs. Animol John Kumar
Mrs. Agnes Ebenezer Edward
Mrs. Shefali Hansda

Tinpahad: Nehemiah & Anamika

Praise God: For a men's fellowship has been started with the objective of helping the men grow in faith. For Chittalal who went to Hyderabad for work suffered an infirmity and received healing by prayers. By the efforts of youth fellowship group, the youth boys and girls went to the adjoining state of West Bengal and shared the Gospel.

Pray: Ramdev Munda who has lost interest to come to the Church after the demise of his father to find hope in the Lord and return back to the Church. For Tinu who is devastated after the loss of two new born baby boys to receive divine comfort and recover. For Mithlesh Doppu, Guduva Munda, July Kumari, Niranjan Doppu and Mandal Munda to grow in their faith. For the believers who have

lent their lands for the Government, to receive benefits that are rightfully due to them.

West Bengal

Samsi: Deepratna & Mithilesh

Praise God: For the unhindered film ministry, outreach missions and night meetings which were conducted. For a new Sunday Service that has been started in Gushaha village. For the completion of Dakshin Sagar Church construction. For Dhalu Hansda's wife who received deliverance from drinking habit.

Pray: For the zealous involvement of Church Elders families and Local Evangelist's families in Gospel proclaiming ministry. A temporary Church to be constructed in Jithalpur and Bajithpur villages. For the Salvation of Narayan Murmu, Chote Murmu, Durga Murmu, Petta Murmu, Mukesh Murmu, Anil Kisku, Babuji Kisku and Manik Murmu of Gushaha village and Magalu Hansda of Odampugari village. For Tagore Kisku, Mithun Hansda, Lalu Soren, Sunil Kisku and Manju Kisku who oppose the Gospel, to have a change of heart and touched by God's love.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Selvaraj A.
Mrs. Savita Devi Ashish Kumar

Pakuahat: Ramakrishana & Anjali Devi Bantumilli

Praise God: For the healing of Komali Hansda from epilepsy due to prayers. For Pristi Murmu and Astha Muni to continue pursuing their education. Due to miscarriage, Kalpana on the verge of fatal collapse recovered and is completely healed due to prayers. For Vishwanath Tudu who took part in the youth ministry, committed his life for service to the Lord. For the safe return of the missing son of our believer Pisuga Hansda, through the prayers made in faith.

Pray: For the repentance of Jane Murmu, Latter Murmu, Sibu Tudu, Mahajon Hasda who oppose the Gospel. For the Lord to preserve the lives of those believers who migrate to other places. For the Lord's strength and protection upon the families of our Local Evangelist Simon Kisku and Jetta Hembrom. For the family of Ramnath Hasda to get

relief from their burdening debts. For the Lord to grant healing to Komali Hansda.

Tapan:

Haramohan Probudas Nayak & Kumari Susama Pani

Praise God: 11-year-old Amit Soren of Andol village suffering from high fever and cough due to which he lost consciousness one-night. The believers prayed through the night. The Lord answered their prayers and Amit woke up the next morning fresh. Jaidev Murmu suffering from nasal bleeding received healing. When none in the village volunteered for the burial of our believer Debu Soren, the Lord moved the heart of the village head who with the help of villagers came forward to bury the bereaved soul. Many of our believers received houses as part of the Prime Minister's housing scheme by the Grace of God.

Pray: For the healing of Pooja Tudu from depression, Durga Murmu from TB, Vilmuni from bodily ailment, Pulmoni Mardi from brain sickness, Basandhi Hembrom from breathing struggles and Sonodi Tudu from high blood pressure. For the youth who committed their lives to Christ, to live witnessing lives with the help of the Holy Spirit.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Indramma Daniel Vijayaraj

Itahar:

Astaban Aditya Kumar Limma & Manini Aditya

Praise God: About 10 believers benefitted from the Prime Minister's housing scheme by receiving houses. The Local Evangelists training was very useful in its objective. For the healing of Dalamai Baski of Basahar village from hematemesis, by prayers.

Pray: For the new believers to grow in their spiritual lives joyfully. For the healing of Puran Tudu from TB. For the healing of Luther Hembrom and Vim Soran from a persisting back pain for many days. For the safe confinement for Sonali Murmu and Biswa Muniku. For the families of Rueben Murmu, Nimai Murmu, Arjun Murmu to trust in the living Lord Jesus. For Paruvas Murmu suffering from kidney stones to receive divine healing.

Karandih: Kaitheiginvaiphei

Praise God: For the expansion of ministry in Kishanganj area and for the proclamation of the Gospel in a village. By their own efforts, the believers of Gundargav village have raised up a temporary Church building to worship the Lord. Srishti Kisku of Gundargav village who was unable to walk for

many days, is now able to walk due to prayers offered in faith.

Pray: For Haepan Hasdha and Sibhu Bhaski families who have backslidden in faith, to return back to the Lord. For Vijay Magatho, Bhulai Murmu, Luthoru Murmu, Pablu Murmu, who oppose the Gospel, to taste the love of Jesus in their lives. For the worship services in Ulkattu and Satnikuttu villages to resume unhindered. For the believers to live witnessing lives in Christ. For our Local Evangelist Jegatha Hembrom's family to faithfully serve the Lord.

Balurghat:

Kingsley Livingston & Delphin; Ranjan Kasala

Praise God: The Church Elders camp was successfully conducted. The outreach ministry happened in 9 villages. The Bible study groups are meticulously conducted in all the congregations. The Sunday School classes are effective in nurturing the little ones in the way of our Lord.

Pray: For the work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts and lives of those in Detkettala, Sakkariya, Amrithpur and Bella villages, who have heard the Gospel and for the people to find their way to the one true living God. For God's guidance upon the Church Elders Sushil Hansdak, Amin Hasku, Rohan Murmu and Sam Kisku to lead their congregations spiritually, and growing in faith on the Lord Jesus Christ. For the ministry planned in the upcoming month to be successfully conducted.



Mrs. Renuma Sadangi Deeptilal Mali
Mrs. Delphin Kingsly Livingston

Odisha

Jagannathpur:
Basudeo Malto &
Basanti Malto;
Suresh Malto

Praise God: The Gospel outreach ministry happened successfully in new villages. The youth was taken on a pleasure outing trip, and spiritual counselling was given to them. A Training institute for the youth is being constructed in Baramjada village in a wonderful way. A prayer cell is established among the Birjom people group.

Pray: For the Gospel preached in Maragisai, Gumirda, Kumardungi village people to work in the hearts of the listeners. For Sukkilal Lahori, Bagavan Lahori and Kothiram Lahori suffering from epilepsy to receive healing. For Gurubari suffering from paralysis to receive healing. For the upcoming Soul winners training camp,

Local Evangelists family camp to be fruitful in their outcomes.

Gujarat Selamba: Yuvanesh & Jhansirani

Praise God: For Thagamsa Ben who was barren for many years of her married life was blessed with a boy child. The women's meet was conducted successfully in two places. Nikita who was unable to walk due to paralysis was able to walk when she prayed with faith in the Church. Sathish who was discouraged because of the ongoing land dispute came to the Church and prayed and received a peaceful reconciliation of the issue.

Pray: For the 15 persons who are on their faith journey towards a public confession of their faith to grow in their Christian maturity and confess boldly, their faith in Christ Jesus. For Eashwar Bai suffering from stones in his kidney resulting in frequent sickness to receive healing. For Suvardha who has reached a marriageable age to find a born-again spouse. For the children of our missionaries preparing for their 10th and 12th Board exams to score well in their academics.



Happy Birthday

Mr. David Perumal, Mr. George C.R.
Mrs. Puspita Rani Behera
Mrs. Gnana Selvarani Jeeva
Mr. Bimal Chandra Murmu
Mr. Samuel Beborta

Surat: Mathavaroy (Retd) & Jebathangam

Praise God: New worship services have been started. The Lord provided a way for Paplu Bai and Vasanthi Ben who suffered from poverty, to purchase an auto rickshaw and earn their living. For Radha Ben suffering from a swelling in the liver, received healing in response to her prayers.

Pray: For Nishaben suffering from deteriorating vision to receive healing. For Shahil, Arif and Arav who have written their exams for posting in the Police forces, to find success. For Sivani's family backslidden in their faith to turn back to the Lord. For Umeshvari who has migrated to Hyderabad for work, to find protection in Christ. For Revabai's uncle who opposes his coming to Christian meetings, to repent and taste the love of our Lord Jesus.

Ahwa:

Vigneshwaran & Angelin M

Praise God: For Kamalesh of Kosamya village suffering from a Blood related problem, received complete healing in response to her

prayers. For Surender and Urmila who remained barren after 5 years of married life were blessed with a beautiful baby girl from the Lord. For Raveena Ben who was unable to walk right from her birth received healing and is now able to walk with a stick due to her prayers.

Pray: For the healing of our missionary brother suffering from Pneumonia. For Mohanbai a new comer to the Church to receive healing from an uncontrollable chest pain. For the little boy Sailesh of Thumkal village to be healed from epilepsy. For the quick healing of the leg of Vilas Bai of Mohapada village who suffered a fracture in a vehicular accident. For open doors to prevail in the villages where outreach ministry has been conducted.



The Lord is the Savior!

Sixty-year-old Sushila Maji, a resident of Sellodiya village in the Khargone field of Madhya Pradesh, was a woman who did not know the Lord. After her husband left her, she lived with her daughter. One day, she fell ill and was hospitalized, where a blood test revealed that she had AIDS. Sushila was sent to her daughter's house, but the villagers avoided her and spoke ill of her. Her son-in-law, a believer, shared the Gospel with her and began praying for her. After a few days, Sushila went back to the hospital for another blood test, and miraculously, the signs of AIDS had disappeared. Hallelujah! Sushila continues to praise God for her healing and shares her testimony with everyone.





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Celina Hansdak Kisku
Mrs. Propilla Bosumatory Prodip
Mr. Govindarajan E., Mrs. Sasikala Venkatesan
Mr. Rajendran J., Mr. Ganesh R.

Vijayanagar:

Vijaya Kumar & Susheela

Praise God: By the Grace of God, new worship services that have been started. For the dedication of Sikri Church for the glory of God. A large multitude of people gathered and worshipped the Lord. For Kalpesh Bai who suffered an accident in his lorry and unable to walk, was able to recover fully by God's Grace.

Pray: For the successful completion of the Church construction at Pogarabola and Samlaybanva villages. All the 11 Churches to grow in their spiritual maturity. For a spiritual revival to happen among the Dungara Bhill people group. For Sunitha, finding it difficult to eat due to a tumour in her throat to receive complete healing. For Kalu Bai unable to walk due to a nervous problem, and Chandhubai suffering from weakness due to low blood count, to receive divine healing.

Mehsana: Sambhunath Nayak & Rajeshwari Pradhan

Praise God: Many people of Parmar people group attended the seekers camp which was conducted, and

eagerly listened to the Word of God. A new worship group has been started in Kamershvarpark village. Led of the Lord, Anandhi and Sonal Ben are faithfully doing the prayer ministry interceding for others. Sundarika who struggled to live without a house was provided with a house to live, by the faithfulness of the Lord.

Pray: The Lord would bring about a spiritual revival among the Parmar people group who have heard the Gospel. Those who attended the night meetings to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. For Ashish and Akash to be able to find a Christian life partner. Many participated in the seekers camp conducted in Unja village.



The Word Was Sown Even Though the Wind Changed!

The missionary Gajen Champramery family, working in the Amalagachi field in Jharkhand, visited a village to meet with believers, but found that everyone had gone out to work. Disappointed, they lost their way and ended up in another village, where they knew no one. Guided by God, they sat on the porch of a house and began to preach the Gospel. The mother of a young man named Narayan gave them a photograph of her son and asked them to pray, as she had not heard from him in a long time. The missionaries prayed for Narayan and returned home. The following day, they received news that Narayan had returned home safely from Mumbai. Today, a prayer meeting is being held in that village. Glory be to God!





Jhavda - St Thomas English School:
Haribabu & Pankajam;
Pon Augustin & Joyce
Shobana; Sathees Kumar &
Christy Jayanthi:
Daniel Rajamani S & Sofia;
Ruth Malto; Thangbiakmuang

Praise God: For the medical camp conducted by Dr. Beulah through which the students were counselled and also were given necessary medicines. Our students have been selected for handball and football in the District and Taluk levels. For the career guidance given to our 12th standard students for their higher education.

Pray: For those 48 students who are preparing for their 10th standard and 9 students preparing for the 12th standards to be able to score well in their board exams. For those children who are getting ready for the NEET exam to be successful. For the healing of those children who have gone home due to chicken pox to

recover soon and rejoin school. A land to be procured to set up a playground for the students. Committed teachers who fit the requirement of the government norms to join in teaching the second generation believers in our school.

DADRA NAGAR HAVELLI

Khavel:
Arul Aseer D & Suguna L

Praise God: For the Lord's protection upon Mallibai who stepped on a poisonous snake in the night and escaped without a bite. For Kiran Bai and Malli Bai who suffered an accident in a two-wheeler and escaped unhurt. For the healing received by Vanshi Bai suffering from a liver problem, to receive healing.

Pray: For 2-year-old Suraj covered with white patches in his skin to receive healing. For Jeyavanth Ben who suffered a fall from a tree and injured his hip and hands, to receive healing. For Sonji Bai who suffered an injury in a jeep accident, to receive healing. For Janu Bai suffering from enlarged prostate gland and thereby reducing his urine flow, which causes swelling in his body, to receive healing.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Sukanto Kumar Singh
Mrs. Nemzavah Thanglal Zou

MAHARASHTRA

Surgana:

T. Mayilusamy & Yesumani T

Praise God: When Umesh of Behara village suffered depression and wandered in the forest regions, he was subjected to various puja rituals without any signs of healing. When he was brought to the Church and prayed upon by the believers, the Lord provided a complete healing. New worship groups were established in Sivpada and Hirapur villages. 32 young people attended the Sunday School Teachers training workshop. 27 Church Elders took part in the Church Elders Training programme and were blessed.

Pray: The Church construction at Puthardi village came to a halt due to a litigation filed by Sonirav and Kethu Bai. Pray for their Salvation and for the Church construction to be restarted. For Yasvanth Bai of

Kukatmunda village who fiercely opposes the Gospel. For the 8 pujaris of Porigavuda village who try hard to stop the worship service, to have their attempts foiled by the mighty power of our Lord. Pray for their Salvation too. For the Salvation of Pandu and Manohar who obstruct the starting of our worship service in Baplu village.

Pimpalner: Balaji Netalam & Jagdeeswari

Praise God: For those people who have heard the Gospel in new villages. The women's prayer fellowship happens every week regularly in Kadi and Palsana villages. Worship Groups have been established in Astha and Movangi villages. Jothi whose husband deserted her when she was diagnosed with TB, reconciled back to her in response to her fervent prayers.

Pray: For the believer's children who are preparing to write their 10th and 12th board exams. For new worship groups to be started in Jori, Kanimandl and Mogapada villages. For suitable permission to build a Church in Rogat, Kasatpair and Pancholi village Panjayats. For the repentance of Lavi Bai who obstructs the worship service being conducted in Valve village.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Nirola Digal
Mr. Kenoz Stanley Inbaraj

Ner:

Moorthi & Bharathi Moorthi

Praise God: For the persons from Nampur and Kusumba villages who heard the Gospel. The Women's meet and Children's meet were successfully conducted in two regions each. The Church service at Vasmar village which had previously been stopped, was restarted again.

Pray: For new contacts to be found the places where the Gospel has been newly proclaimed and for worship groups to be established. For the believers and the youth to take part in the Bible study fellowships with zeal. For the upcoming Gospel proclamation ministry to progress smoothly.

Dhadgaon: Ebenezer

Samuel & Joshna Jeyarani

Praise God: For Jamlibai from Kadikka village who had a long-suffering teary eye problem could not find any relief from any treatment she pursued, but eventually received healing when she prayed. For Mokrabai who suddenly lost his voice and deterioration in his health due to a satanic bondage, received healing when believers prayed. He received his voice back

in a week's time. For Mogibai whose swollen legs and hands were healed in response to prayers.

Pray: For the healing of Monica suffering from TB. For Rohidas who suffers from discharge of blood whenever he relieves himself for the past ten years, to receive healing. For Arvind suffering from an excess growth in his neck. For the divine consolation of Basha's family who are grieving the loss of the baby even in his wife's womb.

Chopda & Sangvi Naya

Jeevan Hostel: Vasava

Bhangsingh Moulya & Mahale Yemanben Posliabhai

Praise God: For the marvellous recovery of our home children Rakesh, who suffered a fracture in their hand and went home and returned safely. God heard the prayers of our believer of Chopda field and delivered his son who was mentally confused for over 3 years. Vijay our home student recovered well from jaundice. For the Lord's healing hand which provided healing from various seasonal sickness that beset our home children during the severer winter.

Pray: For those students writing their 10th board exams to score well. For Prem and Eashwar who has suffered a fracture in their hand to recover well. For our believer's son Arpit suffering from a skin rash, to receive healing. For the Lord to answer the prayers of our believer Sunil's family, desiring the gift of children. For the Salvation of Mogibai.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Lhingneihoi Zou

Igatpuri: Nagarajan. M & Thilagavathy. R

Praise God: When our believer Haribandu of Jarvatkurtha village was attacked by his own bull, the Lord protected his face from any nasty attack by His Grace. Sonali suffering from suicidal thoughts was delivered from her evil thoughts, due to the faithful prayers of Sanjay. A new worship group was started in Talegav village. For all the new contacts who have started attending the worship services.

Pray: For God's touch and deliverance upon Vanitha Yogesh who is beset with fear and satanic attacks, after she was left with her two children, as her husband committed suicide. For our new believer Nandhini's daughter in law suffering from acute stomach pain, to receive divine healing. Shalini suffering from a leukaemia to receive healing. For the repentance of other congregational believers who confuse the faith of our believers by their heretic faith, to come to the true light. For the village leaders, Goutam and Bandurang of Damni, Janavanivadi, Guduchivadi and Athervadi villages who oppose the Christian faith and work, to repent and know the living Lord. For Keerthi Sanjai suffering from throat pain due to a sickness, to receive healing. For

widowed believers Kamal and Vanitha, to be able to get their ration card.

Chalisgaon: Yesu Prakash & Sunanda Belli

Praise God: The Follow up ministry was conducted in Bandugav, Vakkuda, Bonadi and Bansi villages. Gautham Bahal who was bedridden due to a sickness, was able to get up and partake food after prayers. Akla Ben whose hands were invalid, is now able to lift her hands, in response to prayers which brought healing.

Pray: For our missionary suffering from high B.P to receive healing. For Rekha Ben affected with migraine rendering her unable to work, to be healed. For Julal and Sindhu who are addicted to alcohol and cause strife in their house, to relinquish this evil habit and turn to the Lord. For Prakash who suddenly lost the movement of his hands to recover.

Akkalkuwa: Jagmohan Singh & Swathi Sharma

Praise God: For the follow up ministry done in 8 villages. Full day fasting prayer was conducted in 7 congregations. The believers attended with full enthusiasm and prayed for the Salvation of the people of their village. The Women's special meet was conducted in two places.

Pray: For Tichu Bai who has urinary incontinence to be able to control himself. Sunantha suffering from TB and Raji Bai suffering from continuous dysentery and vomiting, to recover. For Usha who has started constructing her house, to be able to receive all Governmental help for her project.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Jacob Gnanapandithan M.

Mrs. Maria Selvi Dharmaraj

Mr. Albert Santhosh Raj J.

Mrs. Ching Nei Sian

Boisar: Basantha Guru

Praise God: For the three-day fasting prayer was conducted and many believers participated and prayed for the nation. Pasulaben who remained childless for 12 years of her married life has now been blessed with a baby in response to her enduring prayers.

Pray: For a few religious fanatic groups who desperately try to stop the worship service newly started in Sarasi village, to have a change of heart. For those who threaten the believers of Thalavali village to repent. For the Village leaders who try to demolish the Kare village Church, to taste the love of our Lord. For some people who have become believers, but are hesitant to have a public confession of their faith because of societal pressures in their village, to overcome their fear and take a stand for Christ.

Gadchandur & Pandharkawda:

Paul Albert & Rani Jessilet

Praise God: For Sandeep and Deepa under the bondage of satanic forces,

greatly weakened in their body and frequently puking, received a miraculous deliverance on account of many who faithfully prayed for them. For the Lord's touch which provided a marvellous healing to Jagan and Pavithra, who for many days were battling sickness, making them unable to work.

Pray: For the Lord to heal 3-year-old Priyanshi who is bedridden with an undiagnosed sickness. For Radha, Pullabai and Yamuna suffering from a loss of vision, to have their sight restored. For Nirmala, Vilas, Sanjay being prepared for marriage, to be able to find the right Christian spouse.

Boradi:

Omprakash & Sapna

Praise God: For his protection upon Babitha, a pregnant mother from New Boradi village who suffered a miscarriage, and the foetus remaining in her womb for three whole days. For the proclamation of the Gospel in Jenabani, Bahaballa and Ambala villages by His Grace. Children's Bible classes were conducted in Nimbabari village. The women's meet conducted in Umri village was attended by 70 women and were blessed.

Pray: For the healing of Anish and Vasantha suffering from boils all over their bodies. For Lakshmi suffering from TB and for Sumi, Sharmila, Anjali and Mohan suffering from depression to receive deliverance. For the youth group and the Church elders group formed for the proclamation of the Gospel, to be used mightily by the Lord.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Moorthi T.

Khandesh Region:

Jubaraj Bardhan & Jasmine

Praise God: Many believers gathered in the Regional prayer meet which was conducted, and prayed. When our student Arpitha's neck was slashed by the string of a kite which was being flown, the Lord helped her have the right treatment and be healed. For an amazing healing received by a completely paralysed bedridden woman Taiben of Rokat village, when believers gathered and prayed fervently for her. Today Taiben's family is attending our Church worship service. After many years of praying, the Lord provided for a suitable land, to build the Church at Rokat village.

Pray: For Arvind unable to consume food because of a growth in his neck to receive healing. For Rithambai to be delivered from his depression. For Yamuna who is attacked by a cow, to receive healing. For Kamali Ben unable to sleep because of the trauma of experiencing an accident, to receive peace and healing. For Vinod who has forsaken his

magician profession and is now attending the Church, to be led to a saving faith in Christ Jesus. For the Panchayat bodies to issue no objection certificates for building the Church in Rogat, Kasarpali and Panjpoli villages.

Karnataka

Nidagundi:

Manjya Naik & L. Ratna

Praise God: For our believer Usha's wedding ceremony which was conducted in the Christian way, as a testimony to the village. For Vijayalakshmi whose work in an angawadi was terminated, reclaimed her position in response to her prayers. Ashok who struggled to finance his CA studies received subsidy through a Christian movement, enabling him to continue his CA Studies. For Jayashree who took her flock of sheep to the forested areas for grazing had a miraculous escape from a wolf which attacked her

Pray: For the reconciliation of Radhika and Basuvaraj who live separated lives after marriage. For Naveena and Raji families who are subject to poverty, to be lifted up by the Grace of God. For them to be able to find a suitable job. For Neelamma and Sukkudevi to be able to find good God-fearing life partners, as they persist in prayers.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Jerinah Shimrah

Mundargi: Samuel Beborta

Praise God: For the many youths who happily took part in the Gospel Quiz session which was conducted. The Children's Bible clubs was conducted in Kunrisekari village. For the purchase of a sewing machine to sustain the livelihood of Martha and Prabhakar

Pray: For the salvation of Jeyappa, Vadekar, Chandhrasara, Magesh, Sivamma and Nandhini. For Ambedkar and Muchigar who are being prepared for a public confession of faith. For the event to happen without any hassles. For the adolescent children of our believers to participate in the worship service. For youth to participate in youth meetings. For our believers trapped in debts to find deliverance from the Lord, and their poverty-stricken life situation to change.

Shiggaon & Mundgod: Narendra Kumar

Praise God: For 9-year-old Shruthi diagnosed with high sugar blood levels and hospitalised received a healing

from the Lord and returned home safely. The Lord blessed Sakunthala with a beautiful baby boy. The Lord's protection upon Vijaya who escaped an accident with minor injuries only. The Lord enabled Manjula to purchase a car.

Pray: For a 9 year old to be healed of diabetes. For the ministry to be fruitful in the subfields of Sanganoor and Thunsi. For the upcoming seekers camp to be successfully conducted. Many to take part and confess Christ in their lives.

Mundgod: Giri Babu & Lourdu Mary

Praise God: By God's Grace, a new worship group was established. The families of Shiva - Reshma, Manjunatha - Lalitha, Saroja and Eramma gave a positive response to the Gospel being proclaimed. The new year worship services were conducted in a wonderful way.

Pray: For new contacts to be established in Ellapur, Varur, Kalkattasi, Sappi and Sirisi villages where the Gospel was proclaimed through outreach ministry. For new worship groups to be started in all these villages. For the Lord to bless Shiva - Reshma, Manjunatha - Geetha, Gourav and Sara families with children.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Alice Ranjit James
Mr. John Andrews Sugirtharaj

Hubli Region: Sunil Kumar & Sangeeta

Praise God: A new worship group has been started. A survey has been conducted among the people of Kodugu District to explore opportunities to share the Gospel. The Panchayat has financed the construction of a compound wall for the graveyard provided for Sirhatti village believers.

Pray: For a suitable land to be surveyed and due permission to be obtained for Church construction in Nandhakat and Elbarga regions. The false case hoisted on our Local Evangelist Santhosh, to eventually come to a discharge in his favour. For the youth children of our believers, to be able to secure a good job. For the Lord to mercifully provide children for the families of Lalitha, Shobha and Ashwini who remain barren for 5 years of their married life.

Andhra Pradesh Palamaner:

Paul Kuppusamy & Shyla K

Praise God: For the new contacts being added to the Church every week during the worship service.

Even when Subramaniyam underwent a surgical procedure in his urinary track and was not healed, he came to the worship service and prayed and received a miraculous healing. For the deliverance received by Ganga Raji who was bedridden for many days by prayers offered in faith.

Pray: For Saraswathi, Venkatarama and other new believers to grow in their spiritual lives and in faith. For the Church elders programme conducted effectively. For Shalini affected with typhoid fever thrice, to receive complete feeling. For Kumari's family in abject poverty to be revived, and to be able to secure a job for sustenance. For Gangadhar addicted to alcoholism, to repent and relinquish the habit, and for peace to prevail in the family.



The lord of Heaven's Armies!

Karnail Singh, a Rai Sikh, was opposing the family of a believer named Bhoja Singh from Mubarakpur village in Alwar, Rajasthan. He also opposed our other believers living in that village and blocked the water and electricity facilities to their homes. He also went from house to house and warned that no one should accept Christ. For this, the son of Bhoja Singh from our Tappukara field prayed for this with great fervor. In this situation, a fierce fight broke out between the people of Rai Sikh and the Jat community and after a fight, Karnail Singh and 15 of them fled their village. This was testified by the son of Bhoja Singh from Tappukara field in the Church. The Lord fought the battle for His children. Hallelujah!





Happy Birthday

Mr. Konkani Sampathbhai, Mr. Abraham S.
Mrs. Kshetrimayum Priya Devi Jeewer

Roddam: Debadatta Lima & Sonia Rani Jena

Praise God: For Rajamma who received healing from depression, after coming to the prayers. The Lord blessed the family Lakshmi – Raji with a beautiful child. For Lakshmi Devi who received deliverance from the bondage of Satan due to prayers. For Renuka and Mallika suffering from an acute chest pain, received healing after coming to the Church.

Pray: For Padma undergoing dialysis and greatly weakened physically, to receive healing. For Aksha whose baby in the womb lacks the required growth because of her low blood count, to receive a healing. For Priyutha and Anitha suffering from loss of job, to find a new one. For the Lord to provide Elisabeth with resources for building her house. For a suitable land to be procured for building a Church at Rotham village.

Kuppam:

Venkatesan C & N Sasikala

Praise God: For Nanjaria who received Godly protection, when an elephant charged at him whilst he

was working in the forested area. For Pavithra and Roja who were blessed with a safe confinement. For the Church elders training to be useful for those who attend. On account of persevering prayers, the formerly separated family Nagaraj and Punitha, Charles and Bharathi are now reconciled with each other, by the Grace of God.

Pray: For John who underwent an amputation of his leg to receive healing of his body and soul. For Kavya's parents who are forcing her to marry an unbeliever, to repent and help Kavya be united with a believer. For the confusions prevailing in the families of Suresh and Durgaraj to be solved, and to be reconciled with one another. For the upcoming planned Elders training camp, youth meets to be conducted without hindrances.

Women's Prayers That Changed Their Lives!

Balveer Singh, a resident of MP Chotar village in the Ratia field, Haryana, was addicted to drugs. He would take large quantities of drugs daily, avoid work, argue with everyone, and physically abuse his wife. Khera and the believers from MP Chotar village visited Balveer's wife, Manjit Kour, shared the Gospel with her, and began praying for him. Through their persistent prayers, God transformed Balveer's life. He overcame his addiction, discarded all his drugs, and became a servant of Christ. Now, the family lives as a testimony of Christ's power. Hallelujah!



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Amirtha Golda Asir

Mr. John Ezung

Mrs. Thoti Gurramvari Hima Bindu Ramesh

Mr. Basanta Guru

Tamilnadu

Vettavalam: Bright Jeya Kumar & Beaulah

Praise God: For the planned VBS in Kelya, Soradhur and Big Olaipadi villages happening without any hindrances of the Glory of God. For worship groups to be established in these villages in the upcoming months. Many take part in every Tuesday prayer fellowship being conducted in Big Olapadi village.

Pray: For the families of Dhanikachalam and Suppalakshmi, Gubendran and Maheswari, Kannan and Sivaranjini and Chandra who came to know the Lord through their children who attended Bible clubs, to come into the saving faith in Christ Jesus. For the separated family of Neelam and Gobar to be reconciled, and to start living together in peace. For the family of Mani to Godly consolation and comfort after the sudden demise of Mani.

Anchetti: David Nikelson & Ivy

Praise God: For the follow up ministry

being conducted in 4 villages by the Grace of God. For Godly protection and good health bestowed upon our missionaries and Swadeshi workers for the Glory of God.

Pray: For the families of Kadhai Muniraj, Sekhar, Shanthi, Pandiyaraj, Nagaraj, Sakunthala, Nagendran and Vanitha to receive Salvation in Christ Jesus. For the healing of Hilda and Victoria from a kidney ailment, Thirukumaran from epilepsy, Sekhar from heart ailment and Peter and Manikam from breathing struggles. For 10-year-old Esther who was injured in an accident, to receive complete healing.



The Power of Prayer!

Thaiben, a middle-aged woman from Rohat village in the Pimpalner fields of Maharashtra, had been bedridden due to severe pain in her arms and legs, which eventually led to paralysis. Despite visiting many local healers and priests and undergoing several pujas, she found no relief. A relative then brought a missionary to her home to pray for her. The missionary, along with other believers, shared the Gospel, anointed her with oil, and prayed. Every day, a group of believers visited her house, continuing to pray fervently. Within a week, Thaiben, who had been bedridden for six months, was able to sit up. Soon after, with the support of a crutch, she stood and began to walk slowly. Her family now attends church to praise God and share the message of Christ with their relatives. Hallelujah!



1000 Hours Chain of Prayer

2025 March 5 to April 17



Let us sit at the feet of God as His children during this Lenten season of 2025 and pray and intercede for the spiritual revival of the Churches, for Ministries, Missionaries and for the Blessing of the Nation!

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