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**Commit to THE LORD
whatever you do, and He will
establish your plans.**

(Proverbs 16:3)



FRONTLINE...

“Planning” is God-inspired. Yes, our God is the Master Planner! He does not direct to run our ministry striking at a “spur of the moment” or spontaneously every second of every day. In fact, our God is into planning. The word “plan” appears 205 times throughout

the books of the Bible, beginning with Genesis and concluding in Revelation. Planning for Church planting ministry or missionary work was not only mandatory, but also biblical. God is not only directly working in the plan, but also is part of the development of that plan. So for better planning, we need to rely on God, the Holy Spirit who is the author and finisher of everything.

Our God is a great planner. When we read the story of creation, we see a plan. Each day there was a creation and the next day expanded on the former. Even in the creation of man and woman God planned them in His own image. (Gen. 1:26). Not only that, but we can perceive God as a meticulous planner attending to minute details. He instructed people like Moses, Joshua, David and others. When the separation of the mankind from God happened through the ‘fall’ (Gen. 3), God already had a plan for our salvation by sending Jesus as the Messiah. Jesus’ entire life on earth was all part of God’s plan to bring redemption to mankind, as Jesus came to “seek and save the lost.” (Luke 19:10)

God’s Will is to make the earth His kingdom and wanted it to be ruled by His own people. That’s what we call a plan. He seeks men and develops them to send out and carry on the mission which He has started and given them a plan to do so (Mark 16:15 & 16; Acts 1:8).

Yes, God’s ministry is the most important work in the world. A great price has to be paid to make the ministry of Christ a reality. The Lordship of Christ calls for the discipline of planning in order to establish His Kingdom on the earth. The call for excellence in ministry requires careful planning and prompt decision. We must give our best in the ministerial planning. As God’s earthly representatives and God’s agents in mission, we too can like Paul who steadfastly pursued his call and relied on God to work out things for His glory. Similarly we too must learn to plan in the light of eternity which makes a historical breakthrough more and more in our ministries indeed!

- JJ. Harris (*Communication Dept.*)

**“Aim at heaven and you will
get earth thrown in. Aim at earth and
you get neither.” - C.S. Lewis**

**“Give me six hours to chop down a tree and
I will spend the first four sharpening the axe.”
- Abraham Lincoln**

**“God is looking for those with whom He can do the
impossible - what a pity that we plan only the things
that we can do by ourselves.” - A.W.Tozer**

**For I know the plans I have for you, declares
the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm
you, plans to give you hope and a future.
(Jeremiah 29:11)**

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FROM THE GENERAL SECRETARY...

Dear Elders, Brothers, Sisters and Children

Greetings in our Lord's name!

St. Augustine said, "Work as if everything depends on you. Pray as if everything depends on God." This insight could be applied to planning as well. Planning well and working according to the plan does not mean that we don't depend on God. Even as we plan and carry out the plan we look unto God for his guidance and wisdom. When it comes to the outcome of our efforts it is God who grants it. God can grant an outcome that is much beyond our expectations. As Paul writes in Ephesians 3:20 - "... (God) is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine..."

Planning:

A good plan needs to be viable (doable), measurable, adaptable (based on feedback and change of circumstances), multidimensional and sustainable. Do kindly remember to pray for the National planning Conference to be held on the 13th and 14th of February in Chennai

Though our monthly magazine is published in multiple languages, the Tamil edition named 'Araikooval' is registered with the government so as to avail of postal concession. Please pray that the registration is updated and that the postal concession be granted.

A tribute to a Visionary:

Mr. J.J. Ratnakumar, the Founder of Missionaries Upholders Trust or MUT as it is known had his home call on the 18th of January. MUT has been addressing the various needs of missionaries pertaining to their health, finance, family, bereavement, interpersonal relationship and many such areas of a missionary's life. He will be long remembered for his passion for missionaries' welfare and will be greatly missed.

Missionary Commitment Camp:

A two and a half day camp to follow up on young people who had committed their lives for full time cross cultural ministry was held in Madurai District of Tamil Nadu. There were two hundred participants out of whom a total of 61 young men and women affirmed their commitment to go as cross cultural missionaries. Five of these youngsters expressed their willingness to come right away. Others made a commitment to start sixty one prayer groups in their neighbourhood

Yours in Christ



S. Sutharsan Thomas Jeyaraj

PRAISE GOD FOR THE SUPERANNUATED MISSIONARIES

Superannuated missionaries in the months of May to December 2020

Rev. Arumainayagam P



DOJ : 01-06-1974
DOR : 31-05-2020

Mrs. Prema Peter Hariram



DOJ : 15-11-1981
DOR : 31-05-2020

Mr. Peter Jebaraj G



DOJ : 19-05-1981
DOR : 31-07-2020

Mrs. Premila George Edward



DOJ : 05-10-1983
DOR : 30-09-2020

Mrs. Saramma Thomas



DOJ : 15-12-1978
DOR : 30-11-2020

We praise God for their commitment, hardwork and long service in the ministry of FMPB and we congratulate them. Kindly uphold them through your prayers that God will give them good health, peaceful and blissful life which they really deserve.

(DOJ: Date Of Joining, DOR: Date Of Retirement)

Escaped from the Train wheel:

In Gujarat, at Dashoi mission field, our believers Raysinghbhai and four of his friends were just sitting and chatting on a railway track as there was a track repairing was going on. During that time, without any signal or sound, a train was coming towards them. When it arrived near just 6 feet to them, one of the believers saw it and pulled all the others from the track. God protected all the five from great accident. Glory to God.

PLANNING IN MISSIONS



God and Strategic Planning

God is a planner. We as His children should also be Planners. How can we say that God is a planner? Has He not planned the whole sequence of Scripture from the beginning to the end? He had it written down in the form of the BIBLE. In this incomparable divine book, He made sure to show us that His plans can be traced even to single individuals like Moses, Jeremiah and many more. He declares that He has plans for the person Jeremiah, for his prosperity, hope and good future. (Jere 1:5 & 29:11)

Jesus accepted the process of planning. In Luke 14:28-32, Jesus was speaking to a large crowd (the subject was important for every one) and gave two examples why planning is necessary. 1) People will ridicule you if you fail to examine the adequacy of your resources before undertaking to build a tower/ or any other project (v28).

Example 2) About a king (person of authority and power) going to war against

his enemy who has a larger army. Would he not first consider / contemplate over his possibility for success and then decide the mode of action.

In these mini parables we find words pointing to some principles of Strategic Planning (SP).

First sit down - before taking any action "sit down" and think.

Estimate the cost, consider - study and assess the present situation (finance or manpower) and understand adequacy to take up the project.

Send a delegation, ask for terms of peace: have one or two plans to take suitable action to attain the goal.

When we imitate God's methodology He gets glorified through us and we are blessed. Theologians will strongly oppose that the verse in Proverbs 29:18 "where there is no vision, the people perish" has anything to do with SP. By principle and by example, God's Word establishes that SP is one of the ways God works in and through His people. Many Biblical leaders thought and acted strategically.

Jethro (father-in-law of Moses) found him struggling with too many demanding just verdicts issues. He taught Moses the Strategic plan God gave him - choosing "capable men from all the people-men who fear God, trustworthy men who

hate dishonest gain" as leaders, train them in law and delegate judgment responsibilities to them. This resulted in finding new leadership resources to work with him to accomplish the goal efficiently.

In Numbers 13 God gave Moses a strategic plan for exploring Canaan.

V 2: go and explore the present status of Canaan. (Knowing present state).

V 3 & 17: their starting point, route to take and destination. (clear action plan)

Vv 5 - 15: choosing leaders from all tribes, to form a team. (Co-opt many for success).

V 18f: study the land, people, and their protection. (Thorough study of destination)

V 20: study fertility of soil and bring samples of produce. (clarity of investigation)

Yes, God through Moses used some important steps of "Strategic Planning" which are being used in the modern secular context. They are adopting biblical principles in secular planning and not vice versa.

The Book of Proverbs offer us some useful advice regarding how we should proceed in SP.

Prov 21:30 Plan in partnership with God
"There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the Lord."

Prov 19:21: "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

As believing Christians we have to depend upon the wisdom of God, make Him a partner and seek His counsel through study of His Word, seek personal revelation through prayer. Remember that you have to plan on paper and use a pencil (write it down but be willing to change when God guides you differently). "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." (Prov 16:3).

Plan In Partnership With Others

Proverbs 15:22: "Make plans by seeking advice; if you wage war, obtain guidance." Proverbs 20:18: "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed."

"**Brain storming**" is a useful method in gathering ideas. We ask people to give their small, big, silly or wise ideas and write them down. You may find excellent ideas among these. People like to consult others to get ideas but while implementing pride and jealousy intervenes when some one else has a better idea than theirs.

In a group involving leaders and staff from other ranks, assumption that leaders will have all the answers prevails. They assume that leaders would only tell others what they should do, rather than ask others what they should do? Humility of leaders is of great value. Sometimes for urgent plans we tend to skip the advice-gathering stage. "The plans of the diligent lead to profit, as surely as haste leads to poverty" (Prov 21:5). We

should allow time at least for a brief consultation. Scripture warns us against an independent approach to SP. Creation of an advisory group of godly and smart employees and outsiders will help quick gathering of counsel.

There is no “one right way” that is agreed-upon to do SP. We can pick up some generally-accepted guidelines from the way organizations practice it. The word “**Strategic**” means matters and methods that help to achieve our goal.

“**Planning**” means the thinking process which we have to do first thing to achieve a desired goal. This involves preparation of a plan and maintaining it.

Thinking about FMPB.....We know that our ultimate goal is to present the gospel to those who have not heard of Jesus and give them opportunity to take a well considered decision to accept or reject Jesus as their Saviour. This being an enormous task, we can accomplish it only when every believing Christian help us by taking the responsibility to share the gospel. We need to convince Christians that God has given them the role as leaders and managers in this task by discipling them. As St. Paul advises we have to coach Christians to “excel still more” (1 Thess 4: 1) in the task.

This gives us a dual task –

1) To prepare existing Christians to take the challenge of living a witnessing life and share the gospel in progressively increasing way. The **mobilization** part

of the ministry does this and generates prayer, giving and involvement.

2) When they are prepared, use them along with themselves to reach every place possible and share the gospel. **The outreach ministry** does this.

For this we have to be a better steward of your time, talent and treasure. FMPB therefore has two kinds of ministry

Often Mission leaders say that they have a plan in their mind, but it is not written down. Then it becomes difficult to make it transparent to create consensus among colleagues and like minded people to work with you for the plan. We see in Habakkuk 2: 2: “And the Lord answered me, write the vision, make it plain on tablets (write on stone tablets), so that they (co-workers) may run (act) who read it.” Here we see God appointing the Prophet as a watchman for the city and commands him write it down on stone. Very rarely did the rulers and administrators of the OT times have put their plans in writing. So they never took off, not being open / transparent to those who should get involved and work.

One would be surprised at the volume of advice the Book of Proverbs has on Planning.

Prov: 11: 14 - For lack of guidance a nation falls, but victory is won through many advisors.

Prov 15: 22 - Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisors they succeed.

Prov 16: 3 - Commit to the LORD whatever

you do, and he will establish your plans.

Prov 19: 21- Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails.

Prov 21: 5 - The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty.

Prov 20: 18 - Plans are established by seeking advice; so if you wage war, obtain guidance.

Prov 20: 5 -The purposes of a person's heart are deep waters, but one who has insight draws them out.

The 7 Principles of Strategic Planning:

- ✓ Be clear on **purpose** ...
- ✓ Start with an accurate assessment of where you are today.
- ✓ Create a shared / written down **vision**.
- ✓ Identify your critical factors for success as well as barriers.
- ✓ Define the executives who would work with you
- ✓ Supervise periodically.
- ✓ Have incentives and punishments to build responsibility.

Let me conclude giving you one instance for the planning nature of Jesus -

Jesus in Acts 1: 4 – 8 presents to us a meticulous plan He has prepared for the goal of taking the gospel to the whole world.

V4: don't leave Jerusalem do not rush.
Wait, sit down, plan?

V. 7: not for you to know times or dates – don't be distracted by non-essential matters .

V. 5 & 8: "... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you" gave the most essential resource that is required to reach the Goal successfully.

"and you will be my witnesses" the method to be used for the propagation of gospel.

"in Jerusalem" (that is where you are now) "in all Judea" (one step wider in the district) "and Samaria" (penetrating into unreached and despised area) and "to the ends of the earth" (final destination to be reached).

Yes, Jesus gave a clear, step by step explanation for what He meant by what appears to be a vague statement "Go into the world" in the great commission. Matt 28:19. This same Jesus who has been taken into heaven will come back in the same way (Acts 1:11). The greatest incentive one can have to keep wining souls for Jesus. You and I are co-workers to Jesus and His apostles; we have a strategic, written down plan by Jesus – why think twice whether Strategic Planning is Biblical or not?

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introducing the discipline of Strategic
Planning in FMPB]*

Planning and its Success



Planning has been the strength of FMPB. Every February, we have our National Planning Conference (NPC) in which all our leaders – both missionaries and lay leaders participate and plan every part of our ministry in a meticulous manner. As aptly described in businessjargons.com, “**Planning** is an intellectual process which lays down an organization’s objectives and develops various courses of action, by which the organization can achieve those objectives. It chalks out exactly, how to attain a specific goal.” In this short article, I do not endeavor to explain the various aspects of planning. So, if anyone wishes to know more about planning, we have an excellent lesson written by R. Jeyakumar, a management expert in our book, ‘Equipping Leaders for the Church-in-mission’ which is available both in English and Tamil. Now, let us ponder about an important question: Are we satisfied with the success of our planning? Do we achieve the desired results?

Factors that lead to success:

1. Our plans should align with the vision of FMPB:

In the Corporate World, a business may look at its strengths and its environment and plan to start a new project that offers a greater financial gain. A Christian ministry does not have such a freedom to do anything that circumstances allow, it must work on its assigned mission. It has to formulate its long term and short term plans accordingly. In the sixties of the 20th century, when all foreign missionaries have been forced out of our motherland, God burdened our first leaders to reach the unreached of our motherland with the life changing Gospel of Jesus Christ. He also brought clarity into the vision that all the resources to fulfill this vision had to be wrought through the revitalization of local churches. As this vision is palpably clear, we need to be faithful to the original vision that God gave to our forefathers and our plans have to align perfectly with that vision. The unreached are found in remote parts of our Mother land as well

as near us. That is why, last year when we introduced our project – ACT 2020, we planned to reach people near us – both inside and outside churches and also in the mission fields. We should be careful not to call a mere achievement of some preset numbers as success. If only the 'so called' disciples exemplify transformed lives and become active participants in our ministry, we can say that our plans have succeeded and we are reaching the unreached. We need to check, whether all our plans converge on this single purpose of reaching the unreached.

2. Our plans should reach every layer of FMPB:

By God's grace, FMPB includes people from all walks of life in its operation. The member of a prayer group in one corner of our country who sincerely prays for FMPB is equally important as the Head of a Division of FMPB or its General Secretary. Everyone should understand the spirit of our plans. Then, only the plans will be executed. If planning is done in the very best manner and yet, its execution is poor, who will be benefited? If our plans to be fruitful, all our members, irrespective of whether fulltime workers or overtime workers, should feel included in the schemes. For this to happen, we need to streamline the functioning of the existing 'review and control' mechanisms. For example, in the Field Division, we have an excellent forum called, 'Regional Planning Meeting (RPM)' in which all missionaries of a Region are members.

In this forum, all aspects of ministry in that Region are discussed and actions are planned. So, the plans discussed in the National Planning Conference (NPC) should be thoroughly explored in the RPMs and every Region should have its micro-planning to achieve the goals set in the NPC. Also, the progress in this direction has to be reviewed periodically and necessary course corrections have to be carried out. We should have such working forums for other divisions and for lay leaders too.

3. Charismatic leaders are required for successful implementation:

It is no secret that God works through individuals, not through a group or a community. So, if our plans need to succeed, we should have a strong central leader who will lead others to stick to the plan. Hurdles and delays are natural in God's ministry because our efforts will be severely opposed by satan and his demons. The world also will be against us. In this situation, we need a leader like Nehemiah who can plan counter measures with the help of the Holy Spirit and lead us towards the set objectives (Neh. 4:16ff). At the same time, one person will not be able to do everything and so this central leader should have the support of capable Spirit-filled leaders to execute the plan in their areas of ministry. These leaders are not born but have to be developed over a period. The forums mentioned above will be very good avenues to identify

such charismatic leaders and no doubt that effective impartation and reiteration of our core values in such forums will continually produce quality leaders.

4. Our plans should curtail activities unrelated to our vision:

An example from the life of our Lord Jesus will help us to understand this. Jesus planned His ministry according to the purpose of God which was revealed on the day of man's fall in Eden (Gen. 3:15) and set His objective as seeking and saving the lost (Lk. 19:10). In order to achieve this, He chose to saturate Galilee with the Gospel as prophesized by Isaiah centuries ago (Is 9:1-2). Along with that, He also planned to develop leaders who will extend His mission to new frontiers after His departure. As He began to preach, "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is near", He was confronted with the need of healing people with various sicknesses and demon-possession. Although He healed all who approached Him, He used every opportunity to teach the core values of His mission (Mt 8:3-4, 10-12). But, He was also quick to relieve Himself from the places of healing needs, by saying to His disciples, "Let us go elsewhere, into the surrounding villages, so that I can preach there too. For that is what I came out here to do (Mk 1:38)." FMPB also has been called to do the same – preach the message of repentance. Erecting church buildings

or upbringing poor children or creating medical facilities is not its call. So as Jesus did, our plans need to set quick boundaries for such activities which not only drain our energy and resources but divert us from our mission of reaching the unreached. We should allow our believers to enjoy the fulfillment of God's promise – "But above all pursue His kingdom and righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well (Mt. 6:33)."

Let me conclude with an incident that happened during the first Christmas season of my mission field experience. Two of my senior colleagues and myself paid a courtesy visit to a distinguished Jesuit priest Fr. Christudoss in Dumka. At that time, FMPB had completed two decades of ministry among the Maltos. A remark made by the Father is still fresh in my mind. He said, "We wanted to alleviate the suffering of the Maltos by giving education and poverty eradication programs. Yet, we have largely failed. But, FMPB by giving Christ first to the Maltos has achieved what we dreamt." It is a true witness from a co-laborer in Christ's vineyard.

You have departed from your first love! Therefore, remember from what high state you have fallen and repent! Do the deeds you did at the first (Rev 2:4-5).

- Bro. Israel Nathaniel Edward
Secretary, Computer Dept., FMPB HQ



Missionary Biography

REV. PHILIP ASIRVATHAM
(1949 - 2008)

Early Life:

Rev. Philip Asirvatham was born on 19th March 1949, in a Christian family hailing from Sivagiri of Tenkasi district. His father Mr. Devadoss was an assistant in a hospital, mother Mrs. Packiam was a home maker. God blessed this family with 6 children. Rev. Philip Asirvatham had two elder sisters and two younger brothers. As his father was the only bread winner of the family, the family lived in poverty. But they believed and trusted Jesus Christ for every need. And God met all the needs of the family. Along with the other children, Rev. Philip Asirvatham studied in the local Government School near to his house. He finished his School final (Old SSLC) 11th Std and waited to join in the Pre-University Class in the college. But the economic condition of his family did not allow him to join in a

college. Instead he joined the Industrial Training Institute at Coimbatore, where the fee was nominal than the regular college. By the grace of the Lord he finished the course successfully and got an employment in Coimbatore itself.

Born Again Experience:

During his high school days at Sivagiri, he used to go to the Church regularly. Even though he was very sincere in attending the Sunday school and the youth meeting of the Church, he did not have a personal experience with God. While he was working in Coimbatore, due to some problem he left the job. Due to his own need and the need of the family he sought for a job at Coimbatore. He knocked the door of many companies, he did not get a job. Due to frustration he started his own cycle repairing and rental shop, at Sivagiri, in his own place. He also sought the Lord wholeheartedly and attended the local Church service regularly. The local pastor noticed his interest and sincerity and wanted to help him. During their friendship Rev. Edwin led Mr. Philip Asirvatham into the fold of the Lord. He confessed his sins and accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and got the assurance of his Salvation. He accompanied the local Church Pastor to the Church's village ministries and was trained to preach the Word of God in the village Churches. He was so helpful to the pastor.

Marriage Life:

Sis. Gnanam was the daughter Mr. Simon Devadoss and Mrs. Silammal of Sankarankoil town of Tenkasi district. The parents of both families decided to conduct the marriage between Mr. Philip

Asirvatham and Sis. Gnanam. Still he was working at Coimbatore, the family arranged their marriage at Sivagiri on 22nd of August 1975. God blessed the marriage ceremony. On 1977, 30th September God blessed this couple with a boy child. They named him Sam Renold.

Missionary call and Ministry:

Even after the marriage he assisted the local Pastor Rev. Edwin in his Church ministries. The pastor encouraged Mr. Philip Asirvatham to undergo Theological training. As this couple had agreed, the Pastor helped them to get a seat in the Bethel Bible Institute, Danishpet, Salem. This couple joined BBI for their theological training in 1979. Friends Missionary Prayer Band used to train their missionary candidates at BBI. Rev. Dr. Samuel Devadasan was in-charge for this training. Mr. Philip Asirvatham used to pray along with the missionary candidates. On every Wednesday they used to pray for Church Planting ministry in North India. Rev. Dr. Samuel Devadasan too used to share about the FMPB ministry in North India and its need. God laid a burden in the heart of Mr. Phillip Asirvatham, for the perishing souls of North India. Mrs. and Mr. Asirvatham began to pray regularly in their personal and family prayer about their future ministry. So, they approached Rev. Dr. Devadasan about their interest to go as missionaries to North India. Thus, they joined FMPB after the interview in 1979 itself.

In the meantime, parents of Mr. Philip Asirvatham arranged a job in a Middle

East Country through one of his friends. So, they called Mrs. and Mr. Asirvatham back to their village. The pressing need of their family compelled him to go to Middle East for a job. In the meantime, the calling of the Lord to North India missionary work pulled his heart towards that. So, he suffered between this and found it difficult to take stand. God reminded this couple a verse from the Bible i.e., Luke 9:62, Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." So, they prayerfully decided to go as missionaries, though their families were very upset and not happy about their decision.

Church Planting Ministry:

After the training at BBI, Mrs & Mr. Philip Asirvatham was sent to the Periamalai field, which was the first FMPB mission field in 1980. Later, they started their new ministry based at Iruthukottai. They preached the Gospel to the people around Iruthukottai for two years. Thus, they learnt the Church Planting ministry. Due to the organizational need of the ministry in North India, this couple were sent to Pokarayan mission field of Uttar Pradesh State in 1982. They learnt the Hindi language and started the ministry in that area. Then they shifted their base to Datia of MP state. Also they did ministry in and around Tikamgarh and Jhansi.

Sickness

In 1986, Mr. Philip Asirvatham was affected by the contagious disease Tuberculosis (TB) which was prevalent in that area. So, they came down to Chennai and stayed at FMPB HQ and he underwent treatment for the TB and by the grace of

the Lord he was completely healed from this contagious disease. In 1987, they were sent again to UP state. As a family, they did the ministry in Pokarayan, Konch and Rura preaching the Gospel village after village. God blessed their ministry. Then, they were placed in NSM Children Home at Jhansi for a year. Again, they did the ministry among the Hindi speaking people of Oriya and Ottawa.

Higher Studies:

In the year 1991, FMPB decided to send this couple for Theological Higher Studies. So, they joined in the YCLT college at Yavatmal, Maharashtra. After completing their studies for two years, they were placed at Chennai, FES School Hostel to take care of the missionary kids and do the ministry in the Slum areas. Then, they were placed in the Chennai Promotional ministry for two years from 1996 to 1998. In 1998 they were placed in the capital city of India, Delhi to work among the people living in slums. In the meantime, FMPB started a Leadership Training Institute in Ambala, Punjab to train Church elders and local evangelists. So, they moved to Ambala and conducted the training programme for the Church elders and evangelists. Then they shifted the training centre to Sikar and continued the ministry. God helped them to plant few Churches in that area, and God helped them to train many elders and local evangelists.

Last Days:

Rev. Philip Asirvatham had his base at Sikar to conduct the training. As it was very difficult to gather all the Church elders to one place and conduct the

training, he went to their places and conducted the training for the Church elders. He arranged a two days training programme at Kalavalli of Haryana state on 3rd and 4th of Sept. 2008. God blessed the first day of the training in which many attended. On 4th September, when he was preparing for the training programme, he felt a terrible pain in his chest. In the morning at around 8.30am he was taken to the Sirsa hospital for the treatment. The needed treatment was given as there was no medical facility in that hospital. He was taken to cardiologist of Bathinda city hospital. The doctors found blocks in the blood vessels leading to the heart. So, they decided to do the angioplasty immediately. After the angioplasty, he felt little bit better. Later, he had some breathing problem, they kept him in the ICU and gave the needed treatment. All the efforts of the doctor did not give any improvement in his health condition. On 6th September he breathed his last breath. After hearing this news, senior leaders and other missionaries rushed to the place. And on the next day his body was shifted to Delhi. The funeral service was conducted in the Cathedral Church, New Delhi and he was buried in the Church Graveyard with the hope of resurrection. After finishing the God given task, Rev. Phillip Asirvatham is now taking rest in the Kingdom of God. His wife continues her ministry. She is currently placed in the mobilization ministry in Coimbatore. Please pray for her and their son who is residing in Chennai with his family.

- *Rev. Dr. E. Rajan*

TRAIL BLAZERS



Samuel Mills

Who will Go?

American Board of Commissioners for Foreign missions was organised by the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts on 5th September, 1810. It was formed to promote the spread of the Gospel in Heathen lands. The Board sent its first missionaries to Calcutta in 1812, and since that time, thousands of missionaries and other shorter-term workers have worked in countries all around the world.

On the 12th year following the founding of Williams College in Williamstown,

Massachusetts, a 23 year old student named Samuel Mills enrolled as a freshman. The son of a pastor, Samuel's home church had been touched by a wave of revival that instilled in him a passion to take the Gospel to the nations. This revival was generally known as the second great awakening in American history. Samuel Mills soon proved to be a poor student in the classroom but a great student in the work of the Lord.

While at Williams College Mills began to meet with a group of students - Harvey Loomis, Byram Green, Francis L. Robbins, and James Richards - twice a week for prayer. On a warm August Saturday in 1806, a rainstorm drove the group to seek shelter at a large stack of hay. Sheltered from the wind and rain at the side of the great haystack, the men continued in prayer. While there Mills proposed a mission to India. Then and there he uttered his famous words concerning his proposal, "We can do it if we will." Although Loomis felt the focus should be on domestic missions as that performed by men like David Brainard, the rest agreed to share the Gospel in Asia.

Subsequent historians have referred this meeting as the Haystack Prayer Meeting. In 1808 the group organized to study and pray for missions, calling themselves the "Brethren." Also in

1808 Adoniram Judson joined them at Andover College. During their study and prayer they gave serious contemplations to world missions. The prayer meetings continued, leading several other students to pledge to service overseas. After their seminary graduation, the events that followed are landmarks for the American Missions Movement.

Samuel Mills, James Richards, Luther Rice, Samuel Nott, Gordon Hall, Samuel Newell, and Adoniram Judson formed a missionary fraternity with the goal to represent Christ and the Congregational churches on the foreign mission field. These men prompted the General Association of Congregational Churches to form the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions on June 28, 1810. The first meeting of that board was held on September 5, 1810. Dr. Samuel Worcester was appointed as the Corresponding secretary.

Two years later the Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, the first mission society in the United States, sent its first five missionaries to work alongside William Carey in India. By the time of its centenary in 1910, the Board was responsible for 102 mission stations and missionary staff of 600 in India, Ceylon, West Central Africa (Angola), South Africa, Rhodesia, Turkey,

China, Japan, Micronesia, Hawaii, the Philippines, North American native American tribes, the "Papal lands" of Mexico, Spain and Austria. After 150 years, the American Board had sent out nearly 5000 missionaries to 34 different fields.

The Haystack Prayer Meeting sparked the mission enterprises to which we still remain in debt. Diverse groups like Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians and the United Church of Christ all trace their involvement in foreign missions back to that prayer meeting of young students. Oh how many prayer and mission movements originated with the young! They were just a bunch of college students, meeting for a time of prayer. God took ordinary students with a radical passion for Christ to publish His Good News to the nations.

Let us take a moment to thank God for such movements in the past but also let us not neglect nor forget to pray that God would raise young men and women who would risk all, not for fame or influence, but for the Gospel. Let us pray and expect God to give us a generation like that! Let us not cease to pray in anticipation like Simeon and Anna until we behold the fruit of our prayer!

- Bro. David Benny

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RECEIPTS	2018 - 2019 Amount in Rs.	2019 - 2020 Amount in Rs.	PAYMENTS	2018 - 2019 Amount in Rs.	2019 - 2020 Amount in Rs.
To Opening Balance			F C Payments		
To Cash at Bank a/c	2,34,89,292	74,4894	Programme Expenses:		
To Cash at Bank church a/c	21,05,578	21,59,339	By Church Expenses Support	57,53,977	9,20,987
To Cash at Bank FCR a/c	2,11,95,827	1,69,67,702	By Community Dev Project Medical Care	63,56,617	36,73,536
To Cash at Bank Fund a/c	-	39,79,318	By Community Dev Child Care Expenses	8,83,648	3,53,067
To Cash on Hand a/c	1,36,948	6,63,987	By Children HR Study Scholarship Exp	3,83,924	6,41,830
Foreign Currency Receipts			By Community Dev Educational Expenses	1,48,909	1,13,800
To Bank interest	6,81,724	16,85,406	By Staff Medical Expenses	31,79,189	25,10,204
To Donation children home maintenance	69,69,852	70,99,007	By Salary & Allowances	32,15,658	29,25,349
To Donation Christmas Gift	2,32,970	2,52,450	Administration Expenses:		
To Donation - Church Expenses	21,80,670	12,94,964	By General, Hospitality & Maintenance	4,34,969	1,58,283
To Donation - Community Dev, Camps	1,35,52,799	26,72,187	By Bank Charges	15,669	16,209
To Donation Community Dev - Child Care	7,18,878	10,43,236	By Children Education Expenses	12,067	30,62,634
To Donation Community Dev - Education	-	31,463	By Christmas Gift	-	1,87,500
To Donation General	1,11,291	6,03,994	By Community Dev Camp Expenses	3,583	-
To Donation HR Study Scholarship	3,73,855	1,81,705	By Postage & Courier	297	-
To Donation Medical	32,45,903	24,46,656	By Printing & Stationary	3,930	-
To Donation - Monthly Pledge	35,53,308	62,76,634	By Repairs & Renewals	30,000	-
To Donation - Vocational Training	-	18,736	By Staff Welfare - General	32,947	-
To Bank Interest	1,28,79,400	1,40,30,815	By Training & Dev. Expenses	15,761	-
To Donation - Annual Meet	74,00,033	52,35,059	By Travelling Expenses	4,002	-
To Donation - Calamity Relief	5,12,422	6,000	By Vehicle Maintenance	4,716	-
To Donation - Children Home Maintenance	1,23,03,713	1,58,30,720	By Evangelists & Volunteers	26,000	-
To Donation - Christmas Gift	3,17,22,231	3,45,58,277	By Promotional Material Expenses	1,40,700	-
			By Magazine Postage	17,617	-



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				Amount in Rs.	Payments from Domestic Receipts		
To Donation - Church Expenses	5,73,10,334	4,14,89,772	4,14,89,772	1,50,10,724	Programme Expenses:		
To Donation Community Dev - Camp	1,18,20,443			14,39,73,880	By Church Expenses Support	4,72,84,801	4,47,46,580
To Donation Community Dev - Child Care	14,31,41,216			30,26,556	By Christmas Gift	3,08,67,612	3,38,74,316
To Donation - Community Dev - Education	35,04,350			42,200	By Children Education Expenses	1,84,49,829	1,73,02,544
To Donation - Community Dev - Health Care	71,655			12,39,025	By Community Dev Camp Expenses		
To Donation Field Equipment	10,39,812			4,800	Training & Development	62,96,524	62,66,104
To Donation - Adult Literacy	-			15,12,410	Community Dev Camp Exp	1,69,29,880	1,15,89,228
To Donation - Linguistic Work	8,56,800			6,500	Linguistic Work	1,31,254	4,59,955
To Donation for Travel	2,800			4,56,26,701	By Community Development Expenses		
To Donation General	4,08,68,922			20,700	Community Dev, project medical care	8,16,902	22,53,299
To Donation H.Q. Building				44,243	Community Dev, Child Care Expenses	14,30,25,777	13,63,26,905
To Donation HR Study Scholarship				57,46,408	Community Dev, Educational Exp.	2,70,523	5,78,983
To Donation Medical				30,00,66,468	Community Dev, Vocational Training Expenses	20,48,431	24,82,088
To Donation - Monthly Pledge				4,74,911	Community dev, Adult Literacy	6,66,979	6,51,113
To Donation - Music & Media				3,900	Community HR Study Scholarship Exp	50,52,825	
To Donation National Staff Conference				-	By Calamity Relief Expenses	3,04,032	
To Donation through Field congregation				18,52,860	By General, Hospitality & Maintenance	35,87,908	50,45,447
To Donation - Training & Development				64,21,454	By Medical Expenses	37,76,076	50,74,839
To Donation - Vehicles				4,14,700	By Meeting Expenses		
To Earmarked Miscellaneous Income				5,000	Mission Field	4,82,592	8,17,101
To Donation Navodaya Meetings				-	National Staff conference Exp.	3,20,590	
					By Postage & Courier	4,31,723	4,01,115
					By Printing & Stationary	11,17,592	7,52,088
					By Salary & Allowances		



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	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.		Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.
					Mission Field	8,71,47,239	9,67,93,994		
					Evangelists & Volunteers	6,03,29,372	5,67,73,073		
					By Rent & Rates	1,05,97,725	1,11,78,697		
					By Repairs & Renewals	34,89,831	23,44,395		
					By Vehicle Maintenance	1,41,55,853	1,39,11,353		
					By Telephone & Trunk Calls	32,56,952	31,86,404		
					By Travelling Expenses	2,03,71,006	1,75,06,263		
					Administration Expenses:				
					By Salary & Allowances	4,08,20,205	2,91,54,050		
					By SBF Gifts	1,31,280	-		
					By Staff Higher Study Expenses	8,27,486	57,501		
					By Staff Welfare				
					Holiday Allowance	13,98,473	17,73,718		
					Warm Cloth Allowance	24,23,400	24,66,850		
					Staff Welfare - General	22,17,000	22,64,869		
					By Taxes & Insurance	11,84,318	10,64,551		
					By Telephone & Trunk Calls	18,38,308	14,98,785		
					By Travelling Expenses				
					By General, Hospitality & Maintenance	49,79,831	54,73,594		
					By Gratuity Paid	48,34,899	49,55,352		
					By Interest Payable To Epf	46,84,648	-		
					By Legal Fees				
					By Medical Expenses	6,08,240	2,07,820		
					By Meeting Expenses	63,51,297	32,35,857		
					Administration & Mobilization				
						33,99,745	27,01,752		



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	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.	Amount in Rs.			
			By Closing Balance			74,44,894	88,11,392
			By Cash At Bank A/c			21,59,339	53,04,508
			By Cash At Bank Church A/c			1,69,67,702	1,07,79,645
			By Cash At Bank FCR A/c			39,79,318	2,56,34,768
			By Cash At Bank Fund A/c			6,63,387	1,29,476
			By Cash On Hand A/c				
TOTAL	71,70,33,678	71,33,65,343	TOTAL			71,70,33,678	71,33,65,343

REFERRED TO IN OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE

For JOHN & JULIAN
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

FIRM REGN NO : 014855




M. JOHN RAVINDRAN

PARTNER

MEMBERSHIP NO:028566
UDIN:20028566AAAFAH6348


SUTHARسان THOMAS JEYARAJ
GENERAL SECRETARY

Place : Chennai
Date : 09-12-2020


MANI SAMUEL J N S
TREASURER



FEbruary

Monday

Happy Birthday

MR. BENJAMIN JYOTI

MR. ARONSINGH NARZARY

MR. SHANKAR M

MRS. KANTI DEVI

Jammu

R.S. Pura:

**David Ayyanar &
Manpreet Kaur**

Praise: Three villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Four families from Badyal, Langar and Babelena are giving good response to the Gospel. God blessed the Training programs, Outreach and Satsang programs. God healed Rekha of Badila from skin allergy and Kamala of Badyal from throat infection. Our believers Kiran from Kullian village was blessed with a baby and Lakshmi of Agrachak village got a suitable life partner.

Pray: Pray for the deliverance of Rakesh of Teli Basti and Choka of Badyal from alcohol addiction. For the good health of our evangelist Pancham and Bittu Subh family. For the believers to grow in the faith of the Lord. For

the healing of Janvi of Kadarpur village and Shubam of Kullian village from paralysis; Dyansar from breathing problem; Shenba of Mehlowlal from kidney stone; Asha of Chakharnia from cancer and Jokinder of Khadarpur from mental sickness. Our believers Anil and Neha family of Kotli, Sakshi of Chakharnia and Sapna of Dollian village to be blessed with children.

Himachal Pradesh

Thanedhar:

**Vum Biak Lal &
Niang Khan Man**

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God opened the door for Gospel in Sethi, Rewari, Jarol and Mandol villages. Our believer Mohini got a safe Confinement.

Pray: For the healing of our new contact Chandran who suffer from stress and depression as his hand was broken due to his falling from 20ft height. For our believers to take the Gospel to their own friends and relatives. For the healing of Hukam Ram from kidney stone and Phulmani from chest problem. Our believers Kamala and Sonu to be delivered from the possession of evil spirit.



FEBRUARY

Tuesday

Happy Birthday

MR. ARTHUR JEBARAJ, MR. PRABAHAR N
MRS VASANTHARANI GEORGE
MRS. ROSHLA MOCHAHARY
MRS JOYCE SHOBANA
MR. MARKUS MALTO R
MR. VABEI KHOHMO CHOZA
MRS. MANINI BEBARTA
MR. JOSEPH KIRUBAGARAN S

Rohru: Johnson Sankar & Jebarani

Praise: Four persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God delivered Selu, Vimala, Sunitha and Aarav, a 4 year old child from the possession of evil spirits. God healed Rekha from Jaundice and Pudan Doss from the boils in the neck.

Pray: For our believer Ramesh to join the worship with enthusiasm. Our migrant believers Suresh and Vinod to return safely from Nepal. For the deliverance of Amith and Surgith from alcohol addiction and Roman Bhagadur, Manisha and Nihil from the possession of evil spirits.

Himachal Region: Thsangse & Zuchano

Praise: Nine villages were newly reached with the Gospel through our Gospel team. God protected the life of our evangelist family Sikender with minor injuries from a major accident. Our believers from Kashapat area came forward to donate a piece of land to build a Church. God healed all the believers who are affected by Covid'19. God protects all the missionaries, evangelists and believers from severe cold temperature of minus degree.

Pray: For the salvation of all the new contacts namely Mahersingh & Satya family, Mandass & Alpana family, Sandeep, Chaiti Devi, Aman, Premchand, Kunal, Susheel, Som Khrishna, Lekram family, Baldev, Rajesh family, Govind Kumari, Radiya, Kunjal, Suman, Rakesh, Suraj, Naresh & Dimple family, Johandass & Durma family, Khrishna & Kavita family and Nisha. For many to turn to the Lord in the newly opened sub centre in Delath, Nimaland and Jakhri areas. Our believers to stand firm in faith amidst oppositions. For the need of evangelists to do the ministry in a larger level.



FEBRUARY

Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day

Happy Birthday

MRS. MURUGAMMAL ESTHER ALBERT PRABHAKARAN

Punjab

Jaitu: Chittaranjan Tandy & Tejaswita

Praise: God blessed the Night Meetings, Satsang Programs and Ladies Meeting conducted in various places. God delivered Rani Kaur, Vinder Kaur, Veerchand Singh, Jyoti Kaur, Kulvinder Kaur and Pinky Kaur from the possession of evil spirits. Our believer Pradeep Singh who was in jail due to false allegations was released. Our believer Rajani Kaur was blessed with a baby after 7 years of her married life and the wife of Jagseer Singh from Jeetgel village is on the family way after 8 years of married life.

Pray: For the repentance of evangelists who left our ministry who have become hindrances in many ways. For the deliverance of our new contact Sukhpreet Singh family from Kotakpura town who are haunted by evil spirits. Our believer Pinky Kaur to be blessed with a child. For the salvation of the new contacts who are attending our Programme

and hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Bible study groups to be started at Kotakpura and Matta Areas. For our believers and Church elders to be renewed and strengthened spiritually to carry out ministry enthusiastically.

Moga:

Justin & Saral Jansi Rani

Praise: Eight persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 4 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Peace is prevailing in the family of Sonu and Sukjith. Our Church elder Charandas got a job for his livelihood. Our believer Manpreet was blessed with a child. Our new contacts Jas, Sunny, Mani and Simran grow spiritually. Our believer Jothi got justice from the court in a land dispute.

Pray: For the backslidden believers to be restored in faith. For doors to open for the Gospel in Ajithwal, Chudchak, Raikot, Bassian, Pindiyian, Fathegarh, Kishan Pura, Kamal pura, Jagroan, Kotly, Dharamkot, Bopara and Dudike villages. For the salvation of Charan Singh, Sukki Kour, Arthi, Mathu, Sunny, Jasveer Singh and Jaspreet Kour who show interest to the Gospel. Peace to be prevailed in the family of Kiran Kour and Jothi family. Our believers Jothi and Sonu to be blessed with a child.



FEBRUARY

Thursday

Happy Birthday

MR JEBAKUMAR PERIYASAMY

Barnala & Bathinda: Krupa Rakshana & Shakena

Praise: Five persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and one village was newly reached with the Gospel. A new congregation was formed at Jetukea village (Tapa). God blessed the various programs conducted in Jetukea, Kararwala, Alikea, Dhilwah, Bhagthpur Maurd, Solupathi, Parbahi, Kotuduna, Kaleakea and Badbar areas. Our believer Ajay who lost his bike, got back after one year. God protected Rani Kaur from a major accident.

Pray: For new congregations to be formed in Kaleakea and Tajokea areas. For boundary wall to be built in Bhairopa Church. For the spiritual growth of the believers in Bathinda and Barnala fields.

Haryana

Pehowa:

Karthikeyan & Jeyanthi

Praise: Two persons came to

the faith in Jesus Christ and 4 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Ashok Behal got his salary of three months due to prayers. God blessed Gurmeeth and Gajal with children. Anju was delivered from the possession of evil spirit. God enabled our believer Shankar to build a house of his own.

Pray: For the growth of our ministry in Tatiaver, Kharabgal, Somajra, Sultania, Pharawali, Gula, Dhanaeta, Badecha, Lalpur, Nandhgad, Dharmpura and Bharot areas. For the salvation of Ramkumar, Deepak and Asha Rani who show interest to the Gospel. For our believers Sanjay, Pradeep and Ashish to get suitable jobs. For the backslidden Pawan family to be restored in faith.

Tosham: John Davidson

Praise: Our believers arranged programs indigenously in many places. Many people show interest to the Gospel in Kirawar village. God protected Surender from falling down from a tree.

Pray: For the salvation of Meos community. Small prayer groups to be started in Dhanimahu, Barsi and Kirawar areas. For the people movement to begin in Tosham field. For the blessing of upcoming satsangs, night meeting, outreach and Sunday services.



FEBRUARY

Friday

Happy Birthday

MRS. ARPUTHAM SELVI VIJAY
MR. DEIVANAYAGAM SAMUEL
MRS. ANUGAMI EKKA JAHAR SAI
MR. VENKATA PRAVEEN KUMAR K

Haryana Region: Bibhaba Pani & Bithika

Praise: Ten persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 16 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected Laxmi from car accident. Vinod family of Banakheda village is showing interest to the Gospel. God healed Sumitra from mental depression and blessed Mamata with a child.

Pray: In need of lands to build Churches at Rajpura and Banakheda villages. For the salvation of Chotalal family. For the loyalty and faithfulness of the Church elders as they are diverted by other independent workers. Asir, Jagmalwali and Takhatmal village congregations to be strengthened in regular worship. Volunteers to come up to conduct children Bible classes in all congregations. For the

spiritual growth of the Church elders in Dabawali Church and congregations.

Jeevan Nagar: Aliyakim Jena & Deepika

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and one village was newly reached with the Gospel. God delivered Kiran of Rasalia from the possession of evil spirit. 4 families from Dabawali area newly attend our worship services regularly. God protected our believers from the hands of the opponents of the Gospel. God redeemed Nisha Rani, wife of Balvinder of Giddad-Wali village from the mental pressure to commit suicide through the 3 days fasting prayer by our evangelist Rajender Singh and believers of Santh Nagar center.

Pray: All who heard the Gospel to accept Jesus Christ. Our believer Aneet of Dabawali to get a suitable life partner. God to bless the plan of forming 10 congregations in this field. Church elders newly to be selected in Dabawali Church congregation. For the healing of Harjeet Singh of Santh Nagar who is bedridden for 20 years.



FEBRUARY

Saturday

Happy Birthday

MRS. PATRICIA TAMIL SELVI KUMAR
MR. HAMOM NABA SINGH
MRS. NENGOVIAH TUBOI

Uttarakhand

**Maldhanchour:
Shishupal & Anita**

Praise: Three villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Church committee was formed in Mohan Nagar Church. God protected our evangelist Kishor and believer Raju from a major accident.

Pray: For Sunday worship to be resumed for the Thari congregation. Church committee has to be formed in Junglepur, Bhogpur and Thari congregations. For the Church elders are to be equipped and to come forward to conduct worship and lead the outreach ministry. Open door for the Gospel among the Pahari people group. For the spiritual growth of new contacts

in Maldhan, Shivnathpur and Nayibasti villages.

Rajasthan

**Sri Ganga Nagar:
V. Kumar & Patricia**

Praise: Children and women from 7C village show interest to the Gospel. Our believer Subash from 6S village voluntarily helps in our ministry in many ways. Our new seeker Shalu reads the Word of God systematically and grows in the Lord. Gdo enabled our believer Vikram Singh to build a house of his own and his daughter's engagement also went on well.

Pray: For the blessing of upcoming programs among the children, youth and elders in 5H, 16S, Majiwala, SSB Colony, Moda and Gurusar villages. For our believers Amandeep, Sweta, Sarwan, Sukhpaet, Pushbender, Kiren and Sunil to get suitable jobs. For the salvation of Sandeep and Mamta. For the believers' children Sukhpreet, Raman, Sarjeet and Aman who study computer courses to do it well.



FEBRUARY

Sunday

Happy Birthday

MR. DURAISAMY K FRANCIS
MR. PRASANTH MEESALA
MRS. PADMAVATHI NAIK
MRS. THANAPUSHPAM ARULRAJ

Anupgarh: Bodar Amrutbhai & Suvera Martha

Praise: God blessed the Satsang program in 36 GB, 17A and Danni villages. Follow up program and house visiting went on well in 10 villages. Bible study programs conducted in 26A, Premanagar, 13K, Vijaynagar and Garasana area were a great blessing to many. Our believer Mrs. Kulvinder had a safe confinement.

Pray: For the suitable land to be identified to build a Church at Anupgarh field. For the salvation of Mahendra Singh, Satpal, Arun, Sumitra, Omprakash and Babu family. For the spiritual growth of Satarana congregation. For the healing of Jagdish Bhai from liver problem and Mahendra Singh from cancer. For the spiritual growth of our new contacts Indraj Soni, Mahendra Singh, Mohan Aroda, Mukharam, Chandro, Om

Prakash, Hardev Singh, and Tara Singh family.

Hanumangarh: Paulus Barjo & Binita Toppo

Praise: Two villages namely Rajpura and Balachak were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Baljeender Singh's wedding was conducted in a Christian way. Our believer Harpreet Singh opened a fast food shop for his livelihood.

Pray: For the salvation of Jeetu who shows interest to the Gospel. All the believers of Nagrana village to attend the worship service. For all who received the New Testament to read it and to grow in the Lord. Lugad and Hardev of Nagrana village to give up the habit of drinking alcohol.



Though pauper yet rich in faith:

In Uttarakhand, at Bazpur mission field, Sonu of Karimpur village, is living in extreme poverty. At this juncture, she lost her cow and calf worth Rs.30,000/- She has fixed her faith in the Lord for getting back her lost cow and calf and attends the Church services regularly. Let us pray that her faith save her both economically and spiritually.





FEBRUARY

Monday

Happy Birthday

MR. SIBI SELVIN SAM
MRS. GAVIT SUNITABEN RASHYABHAI

Uttar Pradesh

Bharthana:

Suresh Malto & Premlata

Praise: Twelve believers came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 7 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed our outreach programs in Asatpur, Bhawnakpur, Bidhuna, Kharkekapura, Kamalshingpura, Lachirampura, Mehana, Milak, Murcha and Vaisoli areas. Jayveer family of Matirampur saved from false accusation and beatings. God delivered Karan Singh of Saraiya and Mohini of Chola Bharthana from the possession of evil spirits.

Pray: For the newly formed congregation at Murcha to grow spiritually. For the blessing of women meeting at Matirampur, Milak and Vaisoli areas. For the protection of Jayveer and

his family of Matirampur from the hands of opponents due to a land problem. Our seekers Urmila of Sakrawa, Seema of Nagla Pachai, Manojkumari of Samastpur villages to overcome the power of evil spirits through prayers.

Ghatampur:

Jangkholun Touthang & Ngaithianching Hauzel

Praise: Nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 5 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Elders training and Field Churches Council were conducted successfully. The children of Gonda Home and Bhind Home were encouraged both spiritually and morally.

Pray: For all the participants who attended our various programs to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. For the blessing of upcoming programs planned to strengthen the believers in faith of the Lord. For the families of Vinod and Roshan as they look to the Lord for various concerns. For the Sunday school teachers namely Mahima, Priyanka, Struthi, Arthi and Sharada to do the ministry among the children effectively.



FEBRUARY

Tuesday

Happy Birthday

MRS. JECINTH JOANNA GOVADA RAMAMUNI PRASAD

MRS. DEENA KUMARI BEBARTA

MRS. DURGA DEVI RUTH MARY

Tundla: Pachiyabai Pohnabhai & Savitaben

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 3 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed all the outreach programs at Daurasi, Thanumai, Firozabad and Gayamai villages and the women meeting conducted at Firozabad and Tundla areas. Worship group was newly started at Gayamai village and one volunteer came forward to develop the field ministry.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the believers among whom the follow up ministry was done at Nagla Totaram, Nagla Saidal and Khurdadpur villages. For the salvation of Shyam Singh, Bantu and Paitus families of Gayamai village. For the new contacts Vijai Bharati, Bablu and Pavneesh as they respond to the Gospel enthusiastically. For the believers Munnalal, Lakshman Singh and Rajnish family from Thanumai village to stand firm in the Lord.

To start regular worship service at Thanumai and Dhaurasi villages.

Bundelkhand Region: N. Rajadurai & Prema

Praise: God protected our evangelist Vinod of Kadaura field and volunteer Ajay from a bike accident. Amidst opposition during a film program, God saved our evangelists from the hands of opponents of Shivni village. New congregations were formed at Kedarnath, Singarpur and Kathi in Guna field. The Lord helped our missionaries to complete Prem Nagar Church compound wall construction. Kalapani Church construction work is going on well by the grace of God. As the days go by the fellowship among the believers of Bhind Church are increasing. Maharashtra migrants and Nut community people are coming to Bhind Church in large numbers.

Pray: For the approval of the building plan of Jhansi Children home construction. For the blessing of Church dedication at Mohanpur and Kalapani villages. For the ministry among Bhil people group in Samrania field where these people are living in interior places where there is no proper road facilities. For the believers of Dhai Church to attend the Church services regularly. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Bhind field.



10 FEBRUARY

Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day

Happy Birthday

MR. SOLOMON A

Gonda: Omprakash Gupta & Tumpa Chowdhury

Praise: Our hostel children joined the local Church for conducting programs. Children of Gonda Hostel are doing well both academically and spiritually.

Pray: For the Children who are in 10th Std to prepare well for their Board Exam. For the salvation of the people of Tilakhai, Kurkurbhokua, Rampur and Tarula Gulam villages. For the spiritual growth of the youngsters who have received the New Testament.

Madhya Pradesh

Debra: Satikant Parichha & Sagarika

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Inspite of so many challenges, God enabled our missionaries to conduct all the programs successfully. With all limitations God helped our missionaries to move forward in His ministry. The construction of Church compound wall is in progress.

Pray: For the salvation of Birendra Sagar who shows interest to the Gospel. Church committees are to be formed in all the congregations. For the Church construction at Prem Nagar to be completed soon. Evangelists and Church elders to have the passion to bring many to Christ. Land to be purchased to build a Church for Kitonda congregation. Church land to be registered at Sultanpur soon by settling all the issues amicably.

Prayer gave plentiful yielding in the field:

In Maharashtra, at Jimmalagatta mission field, our missionaries conducted meeting regarding better forming with some of our believers. Our believer Ramakrishna Durgam family followed the instructions of the missionaries with faith and prayerfully involved in the cultivation works of their fields. As a result, God blessed their field with good yields. Last year they got only 29 bags of grains but this year they got 40 bags. Their faith in prayer was strengthened and they came forward to donate a land for building a Church. Glory be to God.



11

FEBRUARY

Thursday

Happy Birthday

MR. BINAYA KUMAR GURU

Bihar

Kishanganj: Babu & Laissamma

Praise: Nineteen villages were newly reached with the Gospel and one congregation was formed newly. The people of Danieyol village of Malda field are open to the Gospel. God protected our missionary and evangelist from a bike accident. God saved the lives of two believers from food poisoning in Malda Field. Our missionary got a new rented house at Raniganj field. God blessed the follow up work in Poladidanga, Kevatola, Singa, Murgadanga, Mathrapur, Balligram, Beliyapokar, Dahakhola, Tajpur, Medu, Horikrishnapur, Chormeghana and Nafchandrapur areas.

Pray: For the healing of Pranav of Supaul area who got some

injury in the retina of his eyes and lost his eyesight. For the blessing of our ministry at Maskan area and many people to accept Jesus Christ. For the salvation of the people of Goyali Bari, Doya Mari and Bedo Madi villages of Haldibari field. For the hindrances to be removed in the villages of Raniganj field for the Gospel.

Jharkhand

Amrapada: M. Benhur & Mary Johnsny Rani

Praise: Thirty-one persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. Two backslidden families were restored in faith. God blessed the Church dedication at Dumbarghati village.

Pray: For the salvation of all who have heard the Gospel through our night meetings. For the safe confinement of the wife of our evangelist Daniel Murmu whose wife is conceived after 20 years of married life. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Taldih village. Church renovation work to go smoothly at Paktadi village.



12

FEBRUARY

Friday

Happy Birthday

MR. JEEVARATNA BEERO, MR. RONJAY NARZARY
MR. ARUNKUMAR K

Baditola:

Jeevan Ranjan & Snigdha

Praise: Sixty persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God blessed the first fruits festival, Church elders camp and youth camp conducted in field level. God healed Marshel Murmu, Mahagama and Sridhan Murmu of Lakhipur village from severe sicknesses by prayer. Good response received for the Gospel in Jeetpur and Laotola areas.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Ghatiyari and Baramasia villages. For our youth to actively participate in the ministry. Social evils and blind beliefs of the Santal people to be wiped out. For our CDC children who are preparing for writing public exams. For the blessing of the forthcoming programs - Paddy offering festival, membership Sunday and Gospel night meeting.

Barharwa: Krishan Kumar & Shanti Lal

Praise: God blessed the follow up programs in Samastipur, Balugram, Petkhasa, Dumaria,

Futkipur, Baramasia, Adaitukur, Shyampur, Chandipur, Jampur, Bonidanga, Ranigram, Madhopara and Shivapahad. People from Barhajet, Jhaldighi, Ratanpur, Jhiktia and Professor Colony are responsive to the Gospel. Training programs made an impact in the volunteers to get involved in the ministry. Non-believers from Bonidanga, Kadma, Bishanpur, Barhajet and Shri-kund Gaumani villages show interest to the Gospel. God healed Nirmala Devi of Shri-kund Gaumani Village from Pancreatitis and swollen liver; Abraham Ravi Das of Jhaldighi from Hydrosol problem and Taramuni of Juhibana village from appendicitis and uterus cyst. Our pioneer believer Eleena Das of Shri-kund Gaumani led a witnessing life and went to be with the Lord at the age of 100.

Pray: For our new seekers from Shri-Kund Gaumani, Rampur, Jhiktia and Juhibana villages to accept Christ and grow firmly in the faith of the Lord. For a volunteer or evangelist to work among Das people group. For the healing of our believers from various kinds of sicknesses. For the healing of our believer Sonia, the daughter of Abraham Ravi Das from Jhaldighi area who suffers from some complication in her 4th confinements. For the hindrances to be removed to proclaim the Gospel peacefully.

**13****FEBRUARY**

Saturday

Happy Birthday

MRS. STELLA PRABUDASS
MR. SANJEEB KUMAR ANDRAP
MRS. KAMPUNG TABA
MISS. VIOLET HANSDA
MRS. GURPREET KAUR
MR. BARNABAS SOREN

Godda: Augustian Biji & Manna Raja Vidhya

Praise: God enabled our missionaries to restore many backslidden believers to faith from Dabra, Gopali, Sanjodi Godda, Adro Godda, Baalkami, Kisgandiamu, Jolo, Telo Dhoni, Tethali Godda, Mallibhoda, Chota Chapedi, Paahdari, Badode and Daavadadi villages. Our believer Deva Pahadiya's daughter Sampu Malto (15 years) reached home after the Haryana Quarantine centre due to Covid'19. Our believers got good yields from their fields. Bible study groups was conducted in three villages through the Church elders. God healed Surja of Surla village from mental problem.

Pray: For the awareness and awakening to take place among the Malto tribals who are cheated quite often by the local business groups while buying the products

of their fields. Peace to prevale in the family of Gabriel of Agoya village, Paplu of Mithilesh village and Joel of Logathamba village. To start women prayer cells in all the villages where our ministry is going on. The problems in the family of Israel from KisGandiamu village to be amicably settled. For the salvation of the people from Simbi, and Modi villages. Backslidden believers from Katadgoda, Chikdo, Ambda and Ilukrubila villages to be restored to faith. For the healing of the persons who suffer from epilepsy, T. B., Malaria and cereberal Malaria.

Bhuiyan Ministry: Jacob Gnanapandithan & Shanthi

Praise: God enabled our missionaries to conduct night meetings in two villages, outreach ministries in 8 new villages, Jesus film in 6 places and follow up outreach ministry in 14 villages. God protected our evangelist Ramesh family from a major bike accident.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the seekers of Christ Santhosh Roy, Kinnu Roy, Sarathi Devi, Bejnath Roy and Dinu Roy to accept Christ. For the provision of film equipments for the outreach ministry. For the salvation of the husband of our believer Chuniya Devi.



FEBRUARY

Sunday

Happy Birthday

MRS. LAL NUN MAWI HMAR KIPGEN
MRS. ESTHER RANI BEERO

Mandro: Mirjyo Kisku & Celina Hansda

Praise: Eighteen persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Helena Hansda of Simbra from cerebral malaria, Mariam Murmu of Kusba, Teresa Murmu from Kalazar, Martina Soren of Dabra from Kidney problem, and Timothy Murmu of Dumria from paralysis. Key Church leaders gathered in Jhakra and got motivation from Scripture to give offering to the Lord. Two families from Sarni village came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Pray: Jhakra congregation Church elder Peter Hembrom, Rajkumar Mirdha and Church Committee members to grow in the fear of God. For the salvation of Jaimon Marandi who is Sapha Guru. Suresh Hansda, the Church elder of Simbra congregation and Johan

Tudu to lead the congregations well. For the spiritual growth of the people who are planning to join the Church. All who heard the Gospel in Sirsa and Ghagra villages to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. All the believers of Simbra, Kherwa and Khaera Churches to attend the Church services regularly.



Opposition was nullified:

In Maharashtra, at Deccan mission field, there were meetings of opponents here and there as the Christmas season started. Prayers were mobilized. Three days of prayers with fasting was arranged. God answered our prayers and He nullified the plans of opponents. In 40 places Christmas programs and services were conducted. Encouraging fact is that year many non-believers attended in many Christmas programs. By God's grace 73 new people confessed their faith on Jesus. The Mandavi believers of Adilabad field celebrated their first Christmas this year and 21 new believers confessed their faith in Jesus. Praise the Lord!





FEBRUARY

Monday

Happy Birthday

MR. DANIEL THOMAS
MRS. MERCY DEBORAH SENTHIL
MR. VASAVE ELESH PRABHU
MR. AYYANAR M

St. Thomas English School & Boys Hostel & CDC Pandeni: Victor & Nahomi

Praise: Roshni Malto and children Pinky and Rohit returned from RIMS Ranchi after the medical treatment for Hepatitis B. God healed Dharma Malto, our Hindi teacher from sickness. Rees Malto, John Malto and Marcus Malto wrote their B.Com III Semester online examination in Pandeni campus well. Selathiel Malto did Jharkhand Paramedical Entrance Test well. Missionaries from Pandeni visited Oravan villages Shari Chakla and Masuria to conduct revival meetings and Sunday services. Adaro village Malto people who are longing to hear the Word of God.

Pray: For Selathiel Malto to get admission in paramedical course through the entrance test which he appeared. For the future studies

of Gabriel Malto after his BA graduation as he aims to become an IAS officer. For the salvation of 20 persons who heard the God's Word in seekers camp. For the compound wall construction work to go on well. For the nearby villages to grow in the Lord Jesus and His Words. For the believers to be redeemed from the alcoholic addictions. For God's guidance to get CBSE affiliation to our school. For building houses with basic facilities to all the native staff who work in Pandeni Campus.



**God can open the hearts
of even non-responsive
people:**

In Uttar Pradesh, at Sikandra mission field, our missionaries preached the Gospel among the Katiyar caste people who are economically rich and belong to upper caste. They are located in the surrounding areas of Kanpur. Among them there are only a few believers in Nasirpur and Madhanpur villages. In response to the Gospel preaching of our missionaries, many openly confessed their faith in the Lord. None can shut the door when God opens it!





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FEBRUARY

Tuesday

Happy Birthday

MRS. PON LATHA J, MR. SATHEES KUMAR C

Santal Development Region, Child Care & Bhagaiya Boys Hostel: Peter Prabhakaran & Vimala

Praise: Discipleship book was printed after many days of struggle. FMPB Santal calendar was printed and was distributed to all the Churches. Six Santali VBS songs were videographed. Through zoom app, our missionaries conducted prayers twice in a week with all of our Hostel staffs; many of our God's servants had conducted prayer and shared God's Word using this facility.

Pray: For the safety of the 10th Std children who attend the classes regularly. For the need of staff and cooks for our hostels. For God's provision of a four wheeler to Bhagaiya Boys Hostel. For the amicable settlement of Chandana Hostel's land case in the court. Our believer Porme Marandi family to be blessed with a child. For the smooth running of our CDC centres at Kusbana, Jamkundar, Nonihat, Littipara and Mandro during this pandemic time. For the repairing of CDC kitchen centre and Chandana Hostel roof.

West Bengal

Pakuahat: Ramakrishna @ Eliya & Anjali

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and eleven villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the all night prayers, Church elder meeting, Harvest festival and Cottage prayer at Pannapur village. Many people responded to the Gospel during the mass outreach at Mutrudanga, Damor, Talitola, Kiyol and Simbra villages and film programs in Mutrudanga and Pannapur and personal evangelism in Rangin Tola, Piyas Kundi, Rohinitola, Kesiapara, Sohorpur and Chunakandor areas.

Pray: For the salvation of Surya Murmu and Phul Murmu of Soharpur, Biswanath Soren, Lukhi Hasda, Dilip Soren and Turan Mardi of Kuladanga village, Kapau Hasda, Hupi Tudu, Jasmin Hasda, Rojon Marandi and Siv Basky of Kiyol village who are responsive to the Gospel. For our believer Mamuni Murmu to have a safe confinement. For the spiritual growth of our youth volunteers Anamika Tudu, Lalita Mardi of Salbona village, Mariam Tudu, Astamuni Soren of Mutrudanga village, Kandini Hasda of Pannpur Village, Rabi Tudu, Archana Tudu of Nitan Pur and Bapi Murmu of Uttar Karma. Mass movement to take place in the villages such as Salbona, Kuladanga, Mutrudanga, Pannapur and Uttar Karma villages. For the healing of Sonesh Murmu who suffers from the pain of rice grain which get into his eyes.

**17****FEBRUARY**Wednesday
*Fasting Prayer Day***Happy Birthday**MRS. RUHAMA GURU
MISS. VANGALAPUDI CHANDINI**Jiaganj:**
John & Selina Joyce

Praise: God blessed the follow up work in Polajidanga, Mathrapur, Singa, Kulbadia and Kevatola villages and the outreach program in Jiaganj bazaar. God enabled our missionaries to distribute tracts in a small Mela that happened within the CNI enclosures. God healed our new contact Sibu Malto of Kevatola village from a tumour in his leg.

Pray: For the blessing of the forthcoming programs. All who have received the tracts and heard the Gospel to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. For the growth of our ministry in Murshidabad and Nadia Districts.

Assam
Lakhimpur:
C H. John & Veni

Praise: As there was not much

disturbances of elephants this time, our believers involved in the outreach program without fear. Though the media was not favourable and created a negative opinion of our ministry, God enabled our missionaries to conduct all the programs successfully. During the three days fasting prayer at Jonai field, God delivered the son of Putul from the possession of evil spirit and healed Mogu Pegu from piles and Magini from TB.

Pray: For the salvation of Kako Doley, Jordhanath, Putul, Babul, Jena, Upal Doley who are spelling mantras against others. For the spiritual growth of Tonush, Singho, Mini, Celina, Beti, Rabi and Sohon as they are getting ready to confirm their faith in the Church. For the backslidden believers Debrajan Doley, Lekison Pegu, Bulumai Pegu, Raju, Rimpi, Milonjyothi, Apel, Mejon Medak and Mohan Doley to be restored in faith. For the repentance of Birakantho, Raja Kutum and Keshav Kutum. Church construction at Sokala and Koshutoli areas to be completed soon.



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FEBRUARY

Thursday

Happy Birthday

MRS. TEJASWITA BEBORTA
MR. SUKINLAL C

Chhattisgarh

Pathalgoan: Balamurugan & Anbumalar

Praise: Three persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 6 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Bhajan programs have been started newly in three villages. God blessed the outreach programs conducted in 6 villages and many responded to the Gospel. Two families are newly attending the Sunday service in Tata Nagar.

Pray: For the healing of two believers of Senama Church from mental disorder and cancer. God to do the miracle in the life of Aryan Ekka, the son of our evangelist who is suffering from brain fever and his mother who becomes unconscious quite often.

Ludeg:

David Masih & Nisha

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ

and 7 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the cultural program conducted in the field level.

Pray: For the smooth going of our worship services in Buldega and Khamgara villages.

Ambikapur & Lakhapur: Arun Kumar & Sarathi

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ at Fatehpur area. God healed our evangelist Noharsai who was suffering from kidney stone for the last 25 years.

Pray: For the salvation of seven families who attend our worship service regularly. For the healing of our believer Jageshwar Ekka from fits.

Rajpur: Valvi Dina D. & Shaila Bhusare

Praise: For the deliverance of Pramuni from the possession of evil spirit. 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel.

Pray: For the believers Anil, Nicholas, Mahindra and Omprakash who struggle to give up the habit of drinking alcohol. For the salvation of 3 families from Ludra village who regularly attend our worship service.



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FEBRUARY

Friday

Happy Birthday

MRS. ANBUMALAR L

Wadraf Nagar: Boopathi & Paulin Mary

Praise: Ten persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and two villages namely Lamori and Mithalapur were newly reached with the Gospel. Worship services in 6 villages are going on smoothly.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of all our believers. For the 25 persons who are getting ready to confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Bhaiyathan: Muthu Kumar & Nethravathy

Praise: Gospel was preached in Palma and Karotti villages and many responded to the Gospel. Believers started giving sacrificial offering and God blessed them in many ways. Worship services are conducted regularly in Shirhi, Kotba and Kevra villages.

Pray: Our new contacts from Shirhi and Kotba villages to accept Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. God opened doors for the Gospel among the Gond people group. For the spiritual growth of our new seekers - Thaswarsingh from Parsi village, Jeethrai and Nandlal from Basapara village.

Pali: Robinson Hasdak & Jhansi

Praise: God saved the life of our missionary Robinson and his son from a major bike accident although he got collar bone fracture and his son Andrew got tissue injury in his ankle and wrist. 12 persons are getting ready for confessing their faith in the Church.

Pray: For the blessing of outreach programs and follow up ministry in the coming days. For the witnessing life of the migrant believers. Our believers Dharamchand, Ajay, Ganesh Ram and Manoj to get suitable jobs. New worship groups to be formed in Amarpur, Pahanda and Gond Kanchanpur areas. For the land process in the Khudiya village for the Church to be done soon.



FEBRUARY

Saturday

Happy Birthday

MR. KUNA CHANDRA PAIK
MR. JOHNSON V

Gujarat

Dharampur & Khergam: Vignesh & Angeline

Praise: Thirteen persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 4 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Meeraben of Satharveda village from chronic weakness. Ratheshbhai of Kunthia village was blessed with a baby. God delivered Jaylalbhai of Maani village from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the salvation of Thodia Patel people group who live around Khergam village. Church construction works at Beeta, Vakdharda and Boby villages to be completed soon. For our hostel children of Khergam hostel who attend the online classes to get ready for the 10th and 12th Board Exams and come out in flying colours.

Nasvadi & Dabhoi:

Yuvanesh & Jhansi Rani

Praise: Gospel was preached newly to 84 persons and 19

New Testaments and 24 Bibles were distributed. God blessed the eight night meetings, elders and planning meetings without any problem. Our believers got good harvest from their fields. Corona disease did not spread among the people of Dungra Bhils.

Pray: For the blessing of developmental work among the Dungra Bhili people group. Unity to prevail among the believers of Dungra Bhili people. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel. The evil spirit that instigates the mind of committing suicide to be chased out from Dungra Bhili people.

**Surat: Mathavaroy &
Jebathangam**

Praise: Five persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ at Housing Board area and one village was newly reached with the Gospel. 15 persons regularly attend our worship newly. God healed Ashaben family from severe sicknesses. God blessed the 6 night meetings and ladies meeting.

Pray: For the blessing of meeting arranged in Sitharthan Nagar. For the repentance of Sunithaben who practices black magic. Permission from the Govt to be obtained to build a Church. For the spiritual growth of our young believers and Sunday school children.



FEBRUARY

Sunday

Happy Birthday

MR. THILAK S

Choramba:
Ramesh & Rachel

Praise: God blessed the outreach program in Renta Devgadh and Vahar villages and many responded to the Gospel. God delivered Manjibhai of Devgadh from the possession of evil spirit. God healed Anilbhai, Vandana, Revatiben, Maganbhai from severe fever and infections and Gimniben of Renta village from paralysis.

Pray: For the healing of Chimanbhai of Khadikhudi village from throat cancer, Vinodbhai of Devgadh village from jaundice and Dhankiben of Kimdugara village from cheek tumour. For the deliverance of Mukesh of Devgadh village from the possession of evil spirit. For the spiritual growth of our new youth believers Anil, Bhoomi, Harsil, Vandana, Nirav, Sandhya, Sanjana and Alisha. For our field Suwartiks Chunilal, Ravajibhai and Surajibhai, youth leaders and active believers to bring many to the fold of Christ.

For the salvation of 116 new contacts from 5 villages. For the spiritual growth of Gamtiben and Jagubhai. For the youth believers of Sanadhana and Raghipura villages, Sunita and Rajubhai family of Tarsada, who are getting ready to confess their faith in the name of Jesus Christ. For the salvation of Dhirubhai, Anilbhai, Tuptiben and Raisingh as they show interest to the gospel.



**On Christmas day,
the dead got new life
both physically and
spiritually:**

In Jharkhand, at Lalmatia mission field, on Christmas day our missionaries got a phone call from one of our believers Saritha Murmu, saying her relative passed away. They prayed for her over phone. A little later they received phone call again saying she is still breathing, but there is no hope of her living. Then they visited her after the Christmas programs and prayed for her in the evening. Though she was unconscious from morning, around 10 pm she started responding. The next day she was completely alright. Praise be to God.





FEBRUARY
Monday

Maharashtra

**Boradi:
Omprakash & Sapna**

Praise: Thirty-four persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 5 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected Kavabhai of Vahaniyapani village, from electricity shock. Bhajan meetings were conducted at Phatepur, Vakapada, New Boradi, Navapada, Chandsuriya villages and many new persons responded well. Outreach programs were conducted at Sabalapada, Athalavadi, Taliyamuchra, Junapani and Jhendiyaanjan villages. God blessed the fasting prayer at Phatepur, Chundi, Pawarpada and Kodida villages. Bible study groups regularly gather at Pawarpada, Nanded, Anjanta and Umarda villages.

Pray: For the deliverance of Ganeshbhai of Tikhiboidi village from the possession of evil spirit. For the healing of Isarambhai of Budaki Vihar village from body itching, Robinbhai of Chakadu village from sleeplessness,

Mogarabhai of Umarda village from Asthma, Indasbhai of Ranijira village from Tumor and Sundersinghbhai of Manjani village from kidney stone.

**Chalishgoan:
Timothy & Mamatha**

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the two days youth meeting at Malangaon. One new family from Kothali village came to the saving knowledge of Christ through mass outreach ministry. God enabled the missionaries to conduct youth meeting, Sunday services, fasting prayers, women meeting, believers training and other meetings regularly through conference call.

Pray: A new worship group to be started at Kothali village. For the deliverance of Vitabai from the possession of evil spirit. For the healing of Mangalabai from boil in the stomach, Shobha Sinde from kidney stone and Nilesh and Shubam from mental disorder. Sandeep Bhagwan Sinde to get rid of the habit of drinking alcohol. Our believers Shubam and Shima to get suitable life partners. Migrated believers to be strengthened in faith. In need of a local evangelist at Chalishgoan field.



FEBRUARY

Tuesday

Happy Birthday

MR. ISAAC RAJA D
MR. SENTHIL KUMAR P@TIMOTHY
MRS. ANITHA PRABHA VICTORIA D
MRS. EEMANDI ANURADHA
MRS. SHINY SNEHA VARGEES

Deccan Region: Vijayan & Jebarose

Praise: Seventy-three persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. Outreach Jeep team ministry went on well in Gadchandur field. God protected our missionary and evangelists from the hands of Punaguda villagers who planned to beat them in Gadchandur field

Pray: For the believers at Ganpahadi, Bhare and Nishang villages to stand firm in the Lord amidst oppositions. For the repentance of our former evangelist who disturbs our ministry in Asifabad field. Committed evangelists to come forward to involve in outreach ministries. Our Outreach Centers Vittalwada, Velgur, Umanur, Gatta, Bande, Kerameri to yield much fruits.

Khandbara: Balaji Netalam & Jagadeeswari

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the key leaders training conducted at Ghogalpada village and outreach ministry in 3 villages namely Kevadipada, Kolghar and Hamsrapada. 3 families newly attend our Sunday services regularly from the last month. God healed Sonali from uterus problem.

Pray: For the salvation of families of Viswas, Govind and Manjula who are newly attending our meetings newly. For the healing of our believers Revabhai from backbone problem, Sunanda from bleeding problem, Yacob from brain tumor, Samlalbhai from eye sight problem and Viswas from Kidney Stone. To start regular prayer meeting in Davalipada and Kadakiboda villages. For the repentance of the husband of Sumaben who is hindering her from attending the worship. For the key leaders to understand the limitations of our development programs. For the conviction of the Church elder of Boda area to be more spiritual in his attitudes. Our believer Karan Singh's son Daniel to get a suitable partner.



FEBRUARY

Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day

Khandeshi Bhili Translation & Ner: Ajaykumar Lima & Pratyasini:

Praise: Three persons came to the faith of Jesus Christ and 16 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. The translated New Testament is used enthusiastically by the Khandeshi Bhils. A new worship group is formed in Darkhel village. 60 people from Kunbi (high caste) community heard the gospel for the first time. Kalabai, a lady from Vasmal village who was once an opponent of the Gospel became a believer. The Lord healed Manya, a boy from Kalambir village who was suffering from whole body swelling, Lau of Jiryathal village was suffering from intestine swelling. Two families in Darkhel village and a new family in Nagai village accepted the Lord.

Pray: For the Old Testament translation to be done as fast as possible. For the backslidden believers to come back to His

fold. For the healing of Ishwar Sonoune, a 3 years boy who has a hole in his heart. A new worship service to be started in Bhadne village. The worship service to be resumed in Behed village.

Sitara Region: Sanjeebkumar & Swarnalata

Praise: Twenty five persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 28 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Bible study groups were formed in six places. God healed Nalubhai of Dabapada village from mental disorder. God delivered Ramdas of Pothani village from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: All who have heard the Gospel through our various programs to accept Jesus Christ. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Lengdi village. For the salvation of Munnabhai who got deliverance from the alcohol addiction through prayer. For the deliverance of Dipelebhai from the possession of evil spirits. Our evangelists and believers to have the burden for the soul and actively involve in the outreach ministry.



FEBRUARY

Thursday

Happy Birthday

MRS. ANGEL JEBAA HENRY
MRS. SUBHRA BAG MINTU KUTUM
MRS. SARATHI ARUN KUMAR
MRS. SUMATHI GANESH
MRS. NEETU DINESH KUMAR

Karnataka Kolar Region: Thimmesh & Kavitha

Praise: The flooring work was done well in Vemagal Church. God delivered Gayatri from the possession of evil spirit. God enabled our believer Manoj of Ramapur village to get a job. God protected Byyamma from the snake bite although it crossed between her legs in the field. Our believer Neethu was protected from electric shock.

Pray: For the salvation of Shivappa who was an opponent once, now attend our worship service regularly. For our youth believers to get involved in the outreach ministry and Church activities. For the deliverance of the believers who suffer from debts and court cases due to false allegations. For the healing

of Seethamma, Prabavathi, Susheelamma, Srikanth and Choudamma from cancer and other diseases. For the repentance of the independent pastors who are hindering the believers at Srinivasapura. Repairing works to be done for Gangatta Church and wash rooms. Church elder to grow in the faith of the Lord and to lead the congregation towards the indigenization process.



Nil balance account got a credit!

In Jharkhand, Mandro field, our Church elder Paulus Soren is a poor but pious man. He used to attend the Church service sincerely along with his family. His son, Manuel Soren got pass mark in the metric examination with good marks. He wanted to get admission in + 1 but had no money. In the meantime VBS teachers training was arranged and he attended it with much prayer and heavy heart. After returning from the training he got Rs. 6000/- deposited in his bank account. And with that money he took admission. Still they don't know who deposited the amount. Praise be to God.





FEBRUARY

Friday

Happy Birthday

MR. SURESH JOSEPH

Hubli Region: **Sunil Data Kara &** **Meenakhi**

Praise: Five persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God healed Suresh of Mundgod field, from the loss of memory power due to an accident and Manjunath, Nikitha and Krishna from Dengue fever. God delivered Prema of Mundgod field from the possession of evil spirit. Our believer Suresh's wife of Shiggaon field who is in the family way after many years of married life. Our believer Raju of Bibiwadi field got 2 inches of water from his newly dug borewell through prayers. 4 persons from Nidigundi field came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Pray: Peace to be prevalent in the family of Sankar of Gajendragada field. Our believer Shanaya of Mundgod field to be blessed with a child. For the healing of Renuka of Mundgod field from tumour in

her stomach and Sakuntala, an 18 year old girls from heart problem. For Santosh, Raju, Abhijit and Abhishek from Nidigundi field to confess their faith in the Lord.

Andhra Pradesh

Madanapalle: **Venkatesan C. Crescens &** **Sasikala**

Praise: Outreach programs at Dandoluru and Tekulapalyam Villages were a great blessing to many. God healed Sumithra from various sicknesses and Reddanna from severe body pain. God blessed the fasting prayer at Tekulapalyam area.

Pray: For Naveena and Mallikarjun who lost their 3 children due to skin allergy and boils and now struggle to save the 4th child. For the healing of Mangamma, Gangulamma and Papulamma from knee pain and severe weaknesses. For the deliverance of Shankar, Rajamma and their sons to get rid of the habit of drinking alcohol. For the consolation of the family members of Ratnamma who entered into glory.



FEBRUARY

Saturday

Happy Birthday

MRS. NIANG KHAN MAN VUM BIAK LAL

MRS. ANITA SHISHU PAL

Ananthapur Region: Paulraviraj & Hemalatha

Praise: Eight persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 34 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the outreach programs conducted in 17 regions. The families of Gangadari, Venkataramulu, Anitha and Shankara show interest to the Gospel. Our believers Aparna of Dhamavaram field, Asha of Roddam field and Susanna of Chilamathur field got safe confinements. Phonetic training was conducted successfully in Kodikonda Church. Church elders actively participate in the Church activities and all our congregations are slowly moving towards the indigenization.

Pray: For the extension of our ministry in new areas. Lands to be purchased in Roddam, Koduru and Boodali villages. Local believers to actively involve in the ministry. For the witnessing life of youth believers. Outreach

and follow up ministries to go hand in hand. All who show interest in the Gospel to accept Jesus Christ. For the healing of Muthyalappa of Vanurappapalli village whose right leg is broken due to an accident.



Covid '19 cannot separate from the love of God:

In Andra Pradesh, at Ananthapur mission field, Emmanuel, one of our Church elder and active members of Jaderahalli village is basically a truck driver and every day he used to go to Bangalore for his work. He was affected by Corona virus and nobody was allowed to meet him for 20 days. After a few days of his treatment in the hospital, the doctor also gave-up the hope of saving his life. But the whole congregation prayed for him and encouraged him and his family members through phone. Emmanuel said, whether I die or live, I will never give-up my faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Gracious and merciful Heavenly Father touched him and amazingly he was healed and now his health is gradually improving. Let us continuously uphold him through our prayers.





Happy Birthday

MR. VINU P, MR. SAMUEL J
MISS IRENE LETTHENMUONG HAOKIP

Tamil Nadu

Denkanikottai:

Jebaraj & Esther Thangam

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God blessed the outreach ministry in Marakatta, Sikkehpuram, Andevanapalli, Karandapalli and Mowunahampalli and many responded to the Gospel. Cottage worship has been started at Sikkehpuram on every Sundays. God protected our believers Moses, Anbu and Gabriel to attend the Church service regularly without any hindrance. Repairing works were done for the Church at Andevanapalli. The wedding of Rajkumar and Joy went on well without any hindrance.

Pray: A temporary worship place to be built for the believers of Sikkehpuram. For the consolation of the children of our evangelist

Pushparaj and his wife Anitha who passed away. For the salvation of Shivkumar of Osahalli. For the outreach ministry planned by the believers of Marakatta and Andevanapalli every month.



Abnormal faith led to normal delivery:

In Andra Pradesh, at Roddam mission field, Punyavathi of Sanipalli village, on her 9th month of pregnancy suddenly got a severe stomach pain. She was taken to the nearby hospital at Penukonda. The doctor, after the medical test told, she and the baby are in critical condition and advised them to take her to the Anantapur Hospital. The doctors at Ananthapur had a medical investigation and suggested for immediate surgery and added, there is a possibility of saving only the mother. Our believers gathered together and exercised their faith in the Lord in doing a great miracle in her life. So God honoured their faith and gave a safe and normal delivery and both the mother the baby are safe. All Glory to God.



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