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**You may ask Me
for anything in My name, and
I will do it.**

- Jesus (John 14:14)



CHRISTIAN PRAYER IS UNIQUE!

Frontline...

Christian prayer is unique among the religious prayer traditions of the world. It is not depending on one's power or sinlessness. It is not a magical or ritualistic chant, a therapeutic and meditation-type of exercise. It is not just asking God for things or bargaining with God.



Neither is it making demands from God nor a way to control the Lord, one's spirituality a guarantee against suffering or an opportunity for us to show off.

Christians believe that -

- ◆ **Prayer time is the private meeting with God.** Prayer grants us the privilege of experiencing God. Prayer brings us closer to God.
- ◆ **Prayer changes us.** When we spend time with God, He is working to change our heart to be more like His. The more time we spend with Him, the more we become like Him.
- ◆ **Prayer keeps our selfishness in check.** In prayer, we are not attempting to force God to do our will, but we yield ourselves to do His sovereign Will. It aligns our heart with God's heart.
- ◆ **Prayer gives us strength.** When we feel God's presence in prayer, we are reminded that He is always with us. We are not alone in our struggles. When God directs us, our faith and trust in Him grow stronger.
- ◆ **Prayer inspires Hope.** When we trust God, he fills us with the hope that everything will turn out fine.
- ◆ **Prayer opens our spiritual eyes.** It enables us to get in touch with what God is doing and how He is doing it [1 Kings 6:15-17].
- ◆ **Prayer enables us to move forward.** Prayer engages God, enables God's people, and enlarges His kingdom.
- ◆ **Prayer helps us internalize the burden.** It deepens our concern of the burden for the lost souls and our partnership with God in His ministry.
- ◆ **Prayer transforms others.** Interceding for others changes the course of their life. Our prayers can give others courage, influence their decisions, and change their hearts and world view too.

In which way do our prayers are unique and differ from the people of other faiths? Are we growing in our prayer life? "The great tragedy of life is not unanswered prayer, but un-offered prayer" - says, F.B. Meyer. So, let our prayers be unique and the breath of our spiritual life!

- JJ. Harris (Communication Dept.)

"Pray often, for prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God, and a scourge for Satan." - John Bunyan

**"Prayer is aligning ourselves with the purposes of God."
- E. Stanley Jones**

"Work as if you were to live a hundred years, pray as if you were to die tomorrow." - Benjamin Franklin

"Groanings which cannot be uttered are often prayers which cannot be refused." - Charles Spurgeon

"The story of every great Christian achievement is the history of answered prayer." - E.M. Bounds

Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. (Eph. 6:18)

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From the General Secretary...

Dear Elders, Brothers, Sisters and Children

Greetings in our Lord's name!

Prayer is a privilege and a responsibility. Privilege, because it gives us direct access to God. It ushers us into His very presence for an exclusive audience with Him in the priestly role that God has assigned us saying, 'You will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation (Exodus 19:6). We stand before Him representing all of God's creation. It is a responsibility because God is ready to act at our behest when we request Him to and when we fail to do that we deprive the world of God's intervention in whatever area of need that the world is seeking to address.

If God is all knowing why does He want us to tell Him what we need? Is prayer then a formality God wants us to go through? Is God hard hearted that He wants us to cry out night and day before He can act? The answer to these questions is that God wants to involve us in what He does which shows how much He regards us, unworthy that we are. When

God wanted to punish the people of Sodom and Gomorrah He says, 'How shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do?' (Gen. 18:17). Further in verse 19 He says, 'No, I cannot hide it from him because I have chosen him.' Let us therefore not reduce prayer to a ritual or an activity. Let it be a passion that makes us not mere spectators of events unfolding before us but as people of God who can change the course of events through our priestly role of representing people before God while at the same time representing God before the people.

New General Secretary

On completion of my five year term in the month of March 2021, the Executive Committee has appointed Rev. John Berlin as the next General Secretary. Rev. John Berlin has worked for several years among the Maltos in Jharkhand and has rich administrative experience, having worked as the head of the Communication and Finance departments. He has a B.Com., and an MBA with specialisation in Finance. Currently he is based in Nagpur and is in charge of all our mission fields. Remember him and his family in your prayers as he takes over from me in March 2021

Prayer Mobilisation

As most of you are aware we in FMPB observe the season of Lent by organising prayer sessions of varying time duration in our prayer groups through our thousand hour prayer initiative. Do plan for prayer initiatives in your areas as well or write to us for help in this regard if you are interested in being a part of this initiative.

Yours in Christ

S. Sutharsan Thomas Jeyaraj

THE GREATNESS OF PRAYER

(Bro. M. Patrick Joshua,
FMPB - Former General Secretary)



Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites. [Exodus 19:5-6]

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. [1Pet.2:9]

- God has chosen us as the people who intercede [Priests]
- God has chosen us as the people who lead holy life [Holy Ethnic]

1. Prayer brings Revival:

When we join together in one accord and pray, four things are happening.

1. The Spirit of Prayer will be poured upon us.
2. The spirit of oneness will be preserved among us.
3. The faith or trust in the Lord grows and multiplies.
4. The power of God will be exhibited.

As a result, all our programs become continuous outbreak of revival. This is the greatness of prayer indeed.

2. Prayer can change the unchangeable things:

Because of the 7 day fasting prayer of our believer Ezra Malto, Churches were established in 60 villages of Hiranpur, Jharkhand. The human sacrifice which was practiced for long years was stopped and the people repented and started to worship the Lord Jesus Christ. Punjab experienced spiritual revival through the prayer of John Hyde missionary. Yes, Prayer will change the unchangeable customs and make the impossible things possible!

3. Prayer can change the Character that is unchangeable:

When we seek the help of God for the change of character, our unchangeable bad characters will certainly change. Prayer will give us victory over the sin, deliverance and peace when our evil practices and bitterness get changed.

4. Prayer will unite the families that are separated:

Our believer Packiam of Thirubalabandam,

Sankarapuram, Tamil Nadu's husband left her within their married life of three months. Fervent prayer of seven years by the believers of her Church brought her husband back with repentance.

5. Prayer will change the murderous practices:

The villagers of Nowkasi from Boria mission field of Jharkhand have the practice of murdering the unknown people who enter their village. Our believers went to preach the Gospel as a team among them. But they were not responsive to the Gospel, instead they sent them back by threatening them. But the believers who returned did not give up praying for the salvation of the believers of Nowkasi village. As a result, our powerful God heard their prayers and the whole village came under the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and they all worship the Lord Jesus Christ together.

6. Prayer protects the people from destruction:

God heard the prayer of Abraham and protected the families of Lot and his family from destruction. So when God destroyed the cities of the plain, he remembered Abraham, and he brought Lot out of the catastrophe that overthrew the cities where Lot had lived [Gen.19:29].

Moses prayed to God not to destroy his own people due to their sins. "Then the LORD relented and did not bring on his

people the disaster he had threatened" [Ex.32:14].

How should we pray?

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus [Phil.4:6-7].

1. We need to keep our burden upon the Lord and pray without fear:

When we bear the burden for the building of the Kingdom of God, God will bear your own burden. For example, "After Job had prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before" [Job.42:10].

2. We need to pray until we get it:

Mat.15:21-28 - The faith of the prayer of a Canaanite woman is a good example.

Lk.11:1-8 - The Lord's Prayer and the request of a friend at midnight for bread.

Isa.62:6-7 - Pray to God without give Him any rest.

3. We need to pray and beg to God wakefully:

Lk.22:44-46 - Jesus prayed with anguish and with earnestness.

We need to pray at least for an hour for not falling into temptation.

John Wesley prayed for eight hours a day.

4. We need to pray by leading a holy life:

We need to hate and eradicate all our sinful desires.

We need to rely on God with a belief that He is the one who makes us holy and to lead us in to the life of holiness [Lev.20:26].

We need to lead a holy life continuously with much commitment [Rev.8:3-4].

God will accept the prayers of the people who lead holy life [Heb.4:15-16; 2Cor.9:8; Rom.3:22].

5. We need to do all kinds of prayers and requests:

We need to “pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people” [Eph:6:18].

We need to pray in 7 ways:

1. Ask, 2. Search, 3. Knock, 4. Pray with fasting, 5. Pray with burden, 6. Pray as a beggar, 7. Pray with wrestler.

When we pray, keeping up the hallmarks of a real prayer warrior, our prayers will be answered.

Missionary Dedication



Our missionary Bro. Thanglal Zou from Mundargi Mission field of Karnataka was dedicated on 27th January 2021 on behalf of P. Phaimol Baptist Church [CBCA]. The Rev. Thangkholun Touthang, the Mission Secretary of CBCA conducted the dedication service. It is noteworthy that the CBCA sponsors 18 missionaries of FMPB.



Our missionary Chuchau Vemai Poumai who is working Kerajodi mission field, Jharkhand was dedicated on 6th February 2021 at S. Gamnomjang village by Rev. Ngamkhosei Tuboi, Lecturer of Discipleship Theological College. In fact Rev. Ngamkhosei Tuboi is sponsoring Mr & Mrs. Chuchau Vemai Poumai.

We are grateful to CBCA and the congregation; and Rev. Ngamkhosei Tuboi, the sponsor for their generosity and partnership in the ministry of FMPB.

- Bro. P. Thawng Khankap
FMPB Regional Mobilization Secretary - Manipur



Principles of Prayer to Ponder...

- 🔥 Prayer is talked about more than anything else in the Christian circle, but practiced less than anything else. Prayer is, for the most part, an untapped resource, an unexplored continent where untold treasure remains to be unearthed. And yet, for the believer it remains one of the greatest gifts our Lord has given us outside of salvation.
- 🔥 Each Christian's prayer life, like every good marriage, has in it common factors about which one can generalize and also uniquenesses which no other Christian's prayer life will quite match.
- 🔥 C. H. Spurgeon said that, "The heart of prayer is the prayer of the heart."
- 🔥 "Prayer is the address of a poor creature on earth to a great Creator and loving Father in Heaven." It reveals the supreme wonder of prayer that a poor sinful being can commune with the high and lofty One (Isaiah 57:15).
- 🔥 The Bible makes it clear that prayer is intended as the line of connection from the heart of the praying person directly to the heart of God.
- 🔥 Jesus himself practiced a lifestyle of prayer and urged his disciples to imitate him by making it part of their daily existence.
- 🔥 The key to prayer is simply praying.
- 🔥 The wisest Christian believers are students in the School of Prayer.
- 🔥 We may all be praying as God means us to do. The only rule is: Stay within the biblical guidelines, and within those guidelines, as John Chapman put it, "Pray as you can, and don't try to pray as you can't," as God, the Holy Spirit will pray for us without words but groaning.
- 🔥 By nature we humans are selfish. Prayer helps keep our self-absorption in check, especially when we pray for others.
- 🔥 We please God most, not by frantically trying to make ourselves good, but by throwing ourselves into His arms in prayer.

- 🔥 God answers our prayers not because we are good, but because He is good.
- 🔥 Prayer will become effective when we stop using it as a substitute for obedience.
- 🔥 Some of the greatest prayer is prayer where you don't say one single word or ask for anything.
- 🔥 Prayer has wings. It can lift you beyond the dark clouds of the human struggle so that you are able to soar above.
- 🔥 Before praying for anything, we should know whether it is the will of God or not, for the issue that we are going to pray.
- 🔥 Praying for the revelation of God's will is more important than praying without knowing His will for hours together.
- 🔥 One man who walks in purity and holiness and prays for three hours each day, does far more good to the Kingdom of God than thousands of prayerless preachers who preach many sermons to thousands of people each day.
- 🔥 Only long, continued, faith-filled travailing prayer can bring true revival to an individual heart and to the Church.
- 🔥 Everyone who wants to make progress in the School of Prayer must exercise self-control in everything - sleep, the use of time, the use of his mind, the use of his mouth, and so on.
- 🔥 All revival, that is not rooted in heart-searching and heart-rending prayer to the Lord is at best human emotionalism.
- 🔥 Distractions in prayer must be conquered or they will conquer us. So let us cultivate simplicity.
- 🔥 God cannot be persuaded to alter His Word nor talked into answering selfish prayer.
- 🔥 God has three answers to prayers: 'Yes,' 'No' and 'Wait.' When the answer is 'Wait,' it means, God is not on our schedule, prayer forces us to be on God's timetable.
- 🔥 People who spend time with God grow in His love more and more. That helps them to understand God's will better and creates a greater awareness of what is going on and situations and people they should care about.
- 🔥 God's looking for people through whom He can do the impossible; what a pity we plan only things we can do ourselves.
- 🔥 At the judgment seat of Christ, the greatest crowns will be won by those who soaked their ministry in prayer.

A Brief Report about National Planning Conference 2021

National Planning Conference for this year 2021 was arranged in Gurukul, Chennai on 13th & 14th of February. The theme of the conference is “Unchanging Lord” (Malachi3:6). The invitees, the full time missionaries, honorary staff, prayer group members and leaders reached the venue on time.

Mr Immanuel, Saidapet and his team led the congregation into praise and worship. Mr Reginald, the President of FMPB presided over the conference. Revd. J.N. Manoharan, brought the Word of God, which challenged and encouraged the congregation. The Division Heads presented their reports with required explanations that enabled the participants to praise God. Rev. Daniel David shared some national and organisational concerns and led the participants to a time of intercession. The participants were divided into eleven groups and were able to involve in brain storming discussion on the given ten questions.

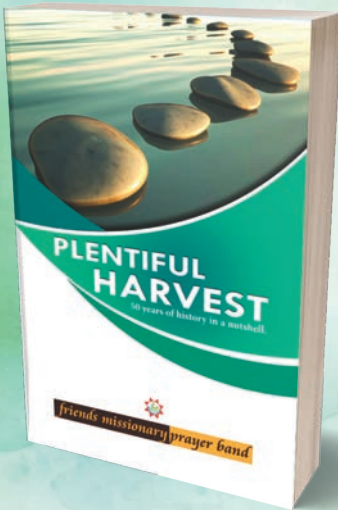
The second day of the conference started with Holy Communion service and the Word of God shared by Revd. Dr. J.N. Manoharan. The leaders of all the eleven groups presented their insights and expectations. The President Mr. Reginald concluded the session with the announcement of newly selected General Secretary Rev. John Berlin and thanked Rev. Sutharshan Thomas for his service for the last five years. The commission prayer was offered by Mr James Dharmabalan, the vice president of FMPB. Rev. Prabakara Sarathy concluded the conference with vote of thanks. The conference came to an end with prayer by Rev. Sutharshan Thomas with benediction.

- Rev. K Prabakara Sarathy, FMPB Secretary-HQ

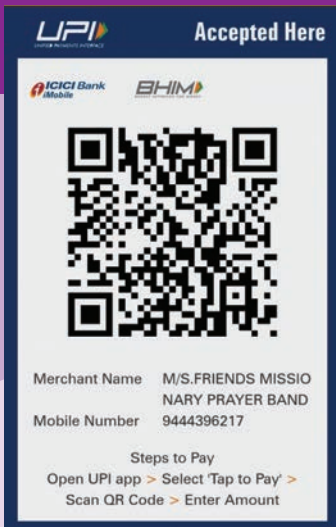


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Missionary

Biography

**MR. ESAW AND
MRS. RUTH ESAW**

Early days

Mr. Esaw was born on 5th August 1943 at Anbin Nagaram, near Sattur. His mother delivered two boys and the elder one was called Esaw and the other was called Jacob. Their parents also had 6 more children, one boy and 5 girls, thus this family had 8 children. As the family experienced poverty, higher education became impossible for them. Most of the children from their early days worked in the Match Factory or Crackers factory at a nearby place. Mr. Esaw later joined the Tamilnadu Electricity board as a temporary helper along with his brothers. Even though Esaw was born in a Christian family he did not know the Lord Jesus Christ personally. He was addicted to many bad habits prevalent among young people. God who had mercy on him gave an opportunity through Baptist missionaries of that area. With the help

of the missionaries he accepted Jesus as his personal saviour and began to grow in the Lord.

Married Life

Mrs. Ruth was a nominal Christian. Her parents were Mr. Devadoss and Mrs. Mariammal. She was born and brought up in a Christian family at Elayirampannai. Her father who was a teacher died early due to illness. Ruth and her sister Pitchaikani were sent to their maternal uncle's house. Ruth took care of the children of her uncle, so, she could not continue her studies. Mr. Esaw married Mrs. Ruth Athisayamani on 24th December 1962. At that time Mr. Esaw was working in a match factory. In the meantime one day attended the mission challenging Gidionite's meet of FMPB at Sawyerpuram. In that meeting Mrs. Ruth accepted Christ as her Saviour. As she was a dropout from the school, unable to read and write. He sought the help of God and God blessed her efforts and began to read the Bible. God blessed their family life with two daughters.

Mission work

In 1967 FMPB conducted a mission challenging meeting at Kovilpatti. During that meeting Mr. Esaw was very much attracted by the sermon and wished to help in the mission. In 1967 the first missionary of FMPB Mr. Harris Hilton was sent to Periamalai as a pioneer missionary on 9th June 1967. Dr. Pushparaj also joined with Mr. Harris Hilton and they started the missionary work based at Pettamugulalam. FMPB sent Mr. Esaw and Mr. John Jacob to help the missionaries to fulfill the given task.

Mr. Esaw committed to do any hard work and he helped the missionaries. He used to prepare needed food and did the purchases. For every purchase he had to get down from the hill to Marandahalli a small town at the feet of the hill. Coming up to the hill with luggage will be a challenging one physically. Also there were dangers due to the forest animals, especially the elephants. On many occasions he came to face to face with wild elephants on the way. God protected him from the elephants. He brought his wife Ruth also to the Periamalai along with their children. God blessed them with one more daughter in this place. The third daughter Helina was born on this hill without any medical help.

In 1974, Mrs. and Mr. Esaw were sent to Missionary Training Centre at Tuticorin. Again in 1987 they returned to Periamalai field. In 1994 due to the need, they came down to Chennai to take care of the new land purchased to build the HQ at Ambattur. Mr. Esaw took care of the old building of the newly purchased land for FMPB HQ construction. While Mrs. Esaw visited the prayer cells and participated in the women prayer cells. In 1997 Mr. Esaw went to Jhansi, to help in the Missionary training centre for women to take care of the mess and the women candidates.

Sickness of Mrs. Ruth Esaw

In 1996, she was suffering from breast cancer and went through treatment at CMC, Vellore. In the meantime God blessed all the six children and all got married and settled. God blessed them with 14 grandchildren. People used to appreciate the hospitality of Mrs. Ruth.

From 2005 onwards she was suffering from kidney problems. God heard her prayer and gave a beautiful house at Sekkadu, Avadi. When she was in her house, she became very weak, even unable to undergo the dialysis. She was admitted to the hospital for further treatment. God called Mrs. Ruth Esaw to the eternal home on 15th August 2008. God blessed the six children and their families. One daughter Mrs. Mary Daniel is working with FMPB as a full time staff, at present she is in charge of the Children Wing. And their granddaughter Mrs. Shekinah is a FMPB missionary in North India. All other children were doing God's ministry in different ways. Elder daughter is engaged with her husband in establishing a Bible book store, selling Bible wall texts and other items. Mr. Job is doing ministry based at Ranchi. Mrs. Helina is Gurukul Seminary lecturer. Their sons John Ragland and Richard are doing part time ministry along with their job.

Last Days of Mr Esaw

After retirement Mr. Esaw used to go with the local pastor for village ministry. Then after the death of his wife, he went to Madurai to help in the Children's home of a Christian Organization. He used to share the Gospel to inmates and people around the campus. While he was in Madurai, Mr. Esaw met with a road accident and was admitted in the hospital. Due to age and blood loss the treatment could not save his life. He entered into the glory on 15th December 2015. Thus they were with the FMPB for a long time, giving their God given talents for His ministry.

- Rev. Dr. E. Rajan

TRAIL BLAZERS



John Hunt

Hawaiian Transformation

John Hunt, was born at Hykeham Moor near Lincoln on Dec 12, 1812. Although he died at the age of 36, Hunt was instrumental in bringing Christianity to Fiji and is still celebrated there today. During his childhood he was a regular member at the Methodist chapel in Swinderby. One evening he went to hear the evangelist Rev John Smith preach at Thorpe on the Hill with his 'flaming zeal and irresistible energy.' He thought about going home, but remained till the

meeting was over and he expressed, 'I was in a minute completely bathed with tears and perspiration as if I had been thrown in a river.'

A key factor in his life was that his Church members identified his talents and encouraged him to share his witness and to preach. While working at Potter Hanworth and Waddington, Hunt became a regular preacher, and he was often characterised as a 'ploughboy preacher.' His messages won decisions for Christ. He decided to enter full-time ministry. He enrolled himself for training at the Wesleyan Theological Institute in Hoxton, in London and planned to marry his love, Hannah Summers of Newton on Trent.

Just as he landed to study for his future ministry in London, there was a revival and he began to consider missionary work. He first thought of going to South Africa but later opted for the challenging, cannibal-ridden isles of Fiji. He told his decision to his would-be wife. She told him that she would go wherever he did. The couple sailed from England in 1838. On the way he refused a lucrative offer to remain in Australia just as he refused an easy assignment to South Africa, and sailed on to Fiji, arriving on the scene of their labors on December 22, 1838 with his new young wife just before Christmas.

When he arrived, language wasn't the only problem for them, there was also the real risk of being killed, and even eaten. John stated in one of his journal entries, "I feel myself saved from almost all fear though surrounded with men who have scarcely any regard for human life." John strongly believed I Timothy 2:3-4: "For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." He preached three times every Sunday and lectured three days a week. He opened a small medical clinic. He routinely sailed to nearby islands that had not heard the Gospel message.

Giving an account of his work, he wrote once, "twelve places, besides Viwa, are under my charge. I cannot go round my circuit in less than a month; as I have to sail about three hundred miles, at seven or eight different stages; so that I am one week out of four on the water. We have very little travelling inland; nearly all our circuit work is done in canoes. There is neither an important place in Fiji that I have not visited, nor a chief of any respectability, with the exception of two or three, to whom I am not personally known, and to whom I have not, in my humble way, preached the Gospel. In this I have been remarkably guided, - I might say, compelled, by Providence.

While keeping up his demanding schedule, John became skilled in the Fijian language and spent and found time to translate the New Testament. God rewarded his efforts. After a hard beginning, revival began to break out on one of the islands. In the first week alone over 100 natives confessed their sins. They spent time on their knees as warriors of prayer, instead of being warriors who use to kill each other and eat. In 1845 the nephew of a chief accepted Christ and soon others followed. Finally one day, the queen of Viwa became a devoted Christian. After that, the local beaches stained with blood were washed away by the waves of Christian love. John joyously wrote in a letter, "Many who, a little while ago, were among the worst cannibals in the world, are now rejoicing in God their Saviour."

One of John's greatest successes was the translation of the New Testament, not only into the Fijian language but with originality in Fijian expression. As he translated, John consulted a Greek Testament and a lexicon. Since so much of the New Testament had no literal equivalent in the Fijian culture, John relied on help from the converts. He completed the New Testament, and it was published in 1847. The New Testament translated by John Hunt,

was freely circulated among them; and that the Old Testament, which he commenced was later completed by the Rev. James Calvert and soon reached the hands of Fiji people.

But alas, not long did the hero of Fiji's pioneer Gospel enterprise last. His strength began to fail with dysentery. The Islanders prayed for his recovery, offering God to take ten of them rather than him. Suddenly he grew utterly calm. "You see a bright prospect before you," said someone. "I see nothing but Jesus," said John and then exclaimed, "Hallelujah! Hallelujah!" and passed to his everlasting Home. Among the words of his last hours were: "Lord save Fiji! Save Fiji." Thou knowest my soul has loved Fiji." By then he had completed the New Testament's translation and had commenced the Old Testament. He had seen hundreds, if not thousands, of cannibal Fijians coming to the Saviour's

feet, and in his vision he realised that Fiji would in the days to come be one of the greatest glories of the Gospel's power throughout the world.

He died, just 36 years old. But after Hunt's death, many men of the same spirit carried on the work in Fiji so that within fifty years of his landing, there was not a single person in the islands who openly professed the old heathen religion. Fiji became a miracle of Gospel grace, and John Hunt deservedly ranks high with Livingstone, Paton, Chalmers, Hannington, and a hundred others in the modern apostolic and especially Pauline succession of devoted missionaries. In the words of Dr. Woodrow Wilson, America's Christian President, "Life lasts only a little while, and if it goes out lighted with the torch of glory it is better than if it lasted upon a dead level a thousand years."

- Bro. David Benny

Handicapped, but not spiritually:

In Rajasthan, at Sri Ganga Nagar mission field, our believer Sumitra's elder sisters' daughter from S.S.B Colony is a physically disabled who is studying 8th Std. She attended our Children class and accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Saviour. Then she went along with her parents to a different place where she did not have the privilege of attending any Bible class. After two years gap, our missionaries met her in a place and they surprised to see that she has regularly studied the Word of God, memorised many verses from the Bible and prayed with few of her friends. Her constant touch with the Lord and spiritual growth is noteworthy.



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To avoid this, we have come up with a **Mobile Phone App** with provision for registering regular contributors under each Prayer Group (PG). As soon as the representative or the leader from a Prayer Group collects the contribution from a registered member under him and enters the amount collected in the form of cash or cheque in this App, an SMS acknowledging the transaction will immediately be sent to the donor's phone. This information can be viewed by our Finance Department also. Once the leader remits the money to FMPB by cash or cheque or through bank transfer and enters the detail in the App he/she will receive an SMS acknowledging this transaction. After bank reconciliation, receipts for every individual donor will be generated by the APP without the need for manually entering the donor details.

This will eliminate human error and reduce manpower in our Receipts Section and also save the leader's time in filling the Remittance Form. This will soon be the primary mode of monthly donation collection and remittance and so all leaders are requested to adhere to this. Our IT department through the concerned Promotion Secretaries will help you in registering the names of your Prayer Group members in the new system.

SUNDERDIH CHURCH HISTORY

**DHALBHUMGARH FIELD,
JHARKHAND**

[Upto March 2015]



Mrs. Agnes Edward

Sunderdih village is located in Dhalbhumgarh Block of Purbi Singhbhum district, Jharkhand with total 71 families residing. Sunderdih village has higher literacy rate compared to Jharkhand. In 2011, literacy rate of Sunderdih village was 68.75 % compared to 66.41 % of Jharkhand. As per constitution of India and Panchyati Raaj Act, Sunderdih village is administrated by Sarpanch (Head of Village) who is elected representative of village.

In Sunderdih village, most of the village population is from Schedule Tribe (ST). Schedule Tribe (ST) constitutes 89.20 %

of total population in Sunderdih village. There is no population of Schedule Caste (SC) in Sunderdih village of Purbi Singhbhum.

The Beginning:

The Musabani mission field was opened on 25.10.1989. The first missionaries of Musabani mission field were Mr & Mrs. Dharmamony, Mr. Mohanraj and Mr. T Y P Asir. The missionaries underwent many hardships during those days. To satisfy their hunger, they had to eat uncooked rice and they were denied water from the village well. But nothing stopped them from proclaiming the gospel.

In March 1994, the Mussabani mission field was shifted to Dhalbhumgarh area. Mr & Mrs Dharmamony along with Mr. Mangal Marandi and Mr. Sonathan (believers from Bakra Kocha village) reached Sunderdih village in the beginning of 1994.

Sunderdih village had some Baptist believers already. They went for worship to Uljhadi village (7km from Sunderdih). One Baptist believer named, Mr. Kala Chand Murmu opened his house for the missionaries to proclaim the gospel to his fellow villagers. Some people responded to the gospel. The first Sunday service was conducted at Sunderdih village on 13.2.1994 at the house of Mr. Mangal

Kisku who was the uncle of the first believer, Mr. Sunil Kisku. At the very first gathering, 16 to 17 people participated. The service was led by the missionary, Mr. Dhurubaraj Beberta. Since the Baptist believers felt comfortable to attend the Sunday worship at their village, they joined the worship at Mr. Mangal Kisku's house. In March 1994, one of the Baptist believers, Mr. Kala Chand Murmu willingly donated his land for Church construction at Sunderdih.

Church Growth:

On 7.4.1994, the CNI Bishop of Chotanagpur diocese, Rt. Rev. James Terom confirmed 19 believers by the laying of hands. In July 1996, in Dhalbhumgarh prayer report, the missionary writes, "Samal Murmu was unable to walk for a long time. They tried doing puja and took her to the hospital also. Even after taking medicine, there was no remedy. Finally they asked the believers to pray for her. Believer, Sunil Kisku and other believers prayed for her in unison. God heard the prayers and helped her to walk miraculously. Seeing the miracle, they believed the Lord."

The worship at Mangal Marandi's house continued for 2 years till a pucca Church was constructed in 1996. Seekers camp, Discipleship camp, VBS, youth convention and other programmes were conducted at Sunderdih Church. Even believers wedding were solemnized at Sunderdih Church.

Social activities like free medical camp

and Independence Day celebration along with the local government school staff was conducted at Sunderdih Church. Believers' children received quality education at the Dhalbhumgarh children home.

The Congregation and the Community:

The congregation members are from Sunderdih, Adharia, Kannous, Bablisoan, Devsol, Baddudi and Durgaddi villages. All the members are from Santhal community. The foundation stone was laid on 7.4.1994. The Church was named as Christ Church. There was no opposition or disturbance during construction. The whole congregation involved in the construction work giving free labour. On 25.2.1996, Rt. Rev. Z. James Terom, CNI Bishop of Chotanagpur diocese dedicated the Sunderdih, Christ Church. New believers' confirmation and children dedication were also done. Many people from various places came by hiring truck, mini bus etc. 800 people gathered. Mr. Dhurubaraj Beberta and Mr. Dalzakam Suantak were the field missionaries during the time of dedication.

The missionaries who served in Sunderdih congregation:

The following missionary families contributed their mite to the growth of the ministry. Mr. Dharmamony & family, Mr. Dhurubaraj Beberta & family, Mr. Dalzakam Suantak & family, Mr. Selvin Jesudhas & family, Mr. Ephraim Malli &

family, Mr. Ben Hur & family, Mr. Matthew & Family & Mr. Ephraim Malli & family

Holy Communion service:

Holy Communion service is conducted in every first Sunday of the month. Nearly 30 to 35 persons take part in the Holy Communion. The small group participants sing songs and pray for their village, relatives, community, Ojha gurus, Santhal pilgrims and for their state. Here are some miracles occurred through small group prayers.

- Pithamber Tudu from Durgadih village was mentally ill for 7 years. His illness became chronic in the last 3 years. People were afraid of him as he harmed them. In the small group prayer at Durgadih, the believers prayed for Pithamber Tudu's healing. God graciously healed him and he became normal. Praise God.

- The small group leader at Durgadi, Mr. Visu Soren's leg got swollen and caused terrible pain and burning sensation. On new moon days the pain was intensive. Through prayers Visu Soren got healed.

1. Women's fellowship:

The women's fellowship meets twice a month immediately after the Sunday service.

2. Outreach:

Every month the Sunderdih Church elder and 40 believers hire a vehicle and go for outreach ministry. They sing songs, proclaim the gospel and pray for the sick and needy. The vehicle rent is borne by the believers.

3. Offerings:

The monthly offering ranges from Rs.1200 to Rs. 2000. Kinds of offerings: First fruit offering, Thanksgiving offering and Tithe in the form of hens, pigeon, produce of the field and money.

4. Church committee:

The Church committee has 7 members. They gather and take decisions during marriage, death and other special programs.

Thus, the local Church believers are managing the affairs of the Church. We praise God for the faith community in Sunderdih and pray that it may grow in order to be a blessing for many.

For your kind attention Please:

In our magazine - Friends Focus - February 2021 issue, in the article, entitled "Planning and its success," we would like to clarify hereby the concerns written about erecting Church buildings, upbringing poor children and involving in medical services. It was mentioned not to undermine, involving in the activities of social concerns, but with the concern that our priority of missionary work should not be pushed to the back burner by those activities. We hereby affirm you that we will continuously involve in the social activities in the places based on the need.

MARCH

Monday

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Happy Birthday

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

Jammu

Jammu Region:

Vasave Elesh Prabhu & Sunita

Praise: Fifteen persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 52 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Five families namely Ghara Ram and Gildari Lal of Mandiyal village, Ajay Kumar of Nathwal village, Mohan Lal of Kaloha village and Ravi Shankar of Bandral village came into contact with our ministry newly. Worship is resumed in Mand village. God healed Renu of Mandiwala from kidney stone problem; Baramu Devi of Nagiri village from breathing problem and infection in the leg for the

last 8 months and Rinku of Nonial village from paralysis. God delivered Roshni of Dakholiya and Mattu from the possession of evil spirits. Our believers Pavan of Arnia village and Mohan Lal got the suitable jobs in a private company.

Pray: For the protection of missionaries, evangelists, and believers from the extreme cold season. For the suitable rented house for Sunday worship in Nagiri area where the worship is resumed recently. For the salvation of Masha community who is vulnerable to superstitious beliefs, adultery and addiction to drugs. For the repentance of Shilfa of Dakholiya area who gives troubles to her husband for attending our worship service. Our believer Munna of Nagiri to get a job in CRPF. For the Rajput people of Papad village who are responsive to the Gospel. For the growth of our ministry in Batod, Ramgad and Narot areas, as Mahasa and Bhagat people are open to the Gospel in these areas. The believers who attend the small groups, women prayer cells and Bible study groups to be helpful in the outreach program.

MARCH
Tuesday

2

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Mary Kim Singsit

Himachal Pradesh

Karsog:

**Sumit Kumar Tariyani &
Thungchibeni**

Praise: Two believers' families from Chindi and Kelodhaar participate in the outreach Programs. God blessed the house visit at Jalodi, Mummail and Saharali areas and many believers renewed and revived their commitments during this visit. Night meetings in three villages made a breakthrough for the Gospel among the non-believers.

Pray: For unity to prevail among the believers of Karsog. Our believer Amari Devi of Jalodi village to come back to her home safely as she is missing for many days. For the open doors for the Gospel in many new villages. For the abolishment

of the evil practices such as sorcery, occult and witchcrafts in the villages.

Anni:

**Gin Sawm &
Chinghoh Kim**

Praise: Our believer Pratap got the compensation of Rs. 25 Lac for his land taken by a corporate company. Our believer Balak Ram got complete healing from Corona. Many of our believers are growing spiritually. God healed Timothy, the son of our missionary from leg fracture.

Pray: For the provision of Govt. transport on Sundays, so that our believers will attend the worship service without much problem. For the family problem of Shyamala to be solved amicably. Worship centre to be started in Ghaloth area newly. For the backslidden believers namely Mungeram, Samat Ram, Hirala, Dharan Das, Rukhsmani, Jhanaki, Puralal, Tatru Ram and Ramlal to be restored in faith. For the admission of Timothy at Grace Academy for higher studies.

MARCH

Wednesday

Fasting Prayer Day

3

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Jayaseeli Israel Devadoss

Mr. Paul Anandhan R

Mr. Jeevan Ranjan Mohapatra

Mr. John Samuel A, Mrs. Prastuta Bati Pani

Mrs. Mercy Elizabeth Sivasankaran

Mr. Thang Chin Lian, Mr. Vanaparla Satishkumar

Mr. Pradeep S, Mr. Khai Min Thang

Punjab

Budhlada:

Sajib Anand & Prastuta

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the worship service at Budhlada, Bareta and Moonak and special outreach program and satsang conducted in the residence of Karnail Singh and Charandas house in many ways. God healed Lali Singh from a major sickness, Chinder Kour from fracture of the hip bone due to an accident and Baljit Singh from paralysis. Our believer Reena Rani and Niraj got Govt. job.

Pray: For all the nine families who attend our worship service to accept Jesus Christ. For the growth of our ministry in Ralli, Phapde, Kalipur, Bachona, Padhda, Mandra villages. For the salvation of the people of Papda, Hamirgad, Salemgarh, Lail, Bundal Paini, Sher Garh,

Balra and Chotiyan villages. Our new contacts - Kala Singh, Bhima Singh, Hanuman, Katy Singh, Sehajpal Singh, Darshan Singh and Harbhans Singh to give up the habit of drinking alcohol.

Haryana

Kalanwali:

Vijayakumar & Jebala

Praise: Sunday school teacher training was conducted and Sunday school has been started in Kalanwali Church and Jaggir Singh Colony. God blessed the fasting prayer conducted at Kalanwali Church. God delivered Tarsem's sister-in-law of Taruana village from the possession of evil spirit. 18 children from Jogi community newly participated in Sunday school at Jaggir Singh colony.

Pray: For the Sunday school to be started in Asir village and Kalanwali Mandi. The believers to attend the Sunday service and the prayer meetings enthusiastically. Sunday school to be started among the Jogi people living in tents. For the salvation of Jogi people and for all the programs that are focused among them. For the spiritual growth of the existing first-generation believers. For the blessing of all the Lent days program and the believers to understand the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ fully.

MARCH
Thursday

4

Happy Birthday

Mr. John Berlin S, Mr. Thimmesh M P
Mr. Kishanta Limma, Mr. Dinesh Maraiya

Uttarakhand

Kichha:

**Thangvansang &
Chingkhanmawi**

Praise: One person came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Jito Kaur, wife of Khera Singh from Teliapur experiences the love of God and decided to follow Christ. Women prayer cell formed in Teliapur village. God healed Kesari Devi of Teliapur from infection in the stomach and rescued the buffalo and calf of Sita Devi from the verge of death. Ramu Prasad, husband of our believer Bimla who gave the habit of gambling and started going for work through prayer.

Pray: For our young believers namely Vinay Kumar, Samser and Manjeet Singh who are appearing for an interview to join the Indian Army. For the salvation of many

who have heard the Gospel. Our believers Puran Singh and his wife Bimla Kaur who are very helpful to our ministry at Doradam village are looking for God to bless them with a son. For the healing of Chindo Kaur who is suffering from severe skin infection on the head.

Bazpur:

**Christian Prakash &
Christian Sumitraben**

Praise: One person came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God blessed the fasting prayer at Rajpura village. God helped our missionaries to conduct a Christian burial service at Reheta village. God healed Sunil and Golu from tuberculosis and typhoid fever and Harvindarsingh from chronic stomach problem for one year. God blessed Tara family with a baby.

Pray: For the deliverance of Krishnadevi, Shaloni and Preetidevi from the possession of evil spirits. Our new believers from Reheta village experience the power and miracle of God in their lives. For the healing of Sinduka and Santosh from fits and Endresh from severe sugar problem.

MARCH

Friday

5

Happy Birthday

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

Dineshpur:

**Ramaswamy Jerome &
Antoni Rajam;
Siva Kumar &
Susila Marak**

Praise: One family experienced the salvation and the Lordship of Christ in their lives. Fourteen villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Raj Rani of Teja-Fauja from chronic throat infection. God blessed Sunita Kaur of Saidaliganj village with a child. Our believer's brother Prem of Dimriblock was protected from a major accident.

Pray: For the healing of Rajkumari of Dainumbar village from vertigo problem. For the repentance of Satpal of Teja-Fauja village from the habit of gambling. Our believers Aman and Pawan whose financial needs for wedding to be

met. For the salvation of Sonu of Saidaliganj village as he is facing challenges to give up his habit of drinking alcohol.

Delhi

Patparganj:

P.G Christopher & Mabel

Praise: God delivered our missionary family from Covid'19 miraculously. God delivered Rishiraj's son Anmol from the possession of evil spirit. God healed Dhanalakshi from nose bleeding and Rachana from fits. All our believers are safe although Delhi is still under containment zone.

Pray: For the formation of many Bible study groups in all the areas. For the young believers to get involved in the ministry. For the healing of Rachana and Mukul from fits, Isha from TB. Our believers Sabana Chand, Sanjay Das, Shivkumar, Barat, Lakshminarayan, Dhavamani, Pappati, Shivkumar, Satyajeet, Padmini, Urmila, Subhulakshmi and Sachin to get rid of their financial debts. For the financial needs to be met to build the house of Anita Gopal.

MARCH
Saturday

6

Happy Birthday

Mr. James Arulraj M

Rajasthan

Khairthal:

Selvaraj & Selvammal

Praise: Two persons confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ from Nut community. Nut community people attend our worship services by giving up their fear and suspiciousness. Night meetings conducted for the non-believers among the Nut community in 6 villages received a good response. God blessed the three days fasting prayer at Nagal village and Bible studies in three villages.

Pray: For Simran of Panvel area, a 14 year old young girl to return home safely as she is missing for the last one week. For the healing of our new contact Sampath from an unknown disease and Vinyl Mender from uterus problem. For the salvation of the people of Babai village as they show interest in the Gospel. For the spiritual growth of Teada village congregation as many in their village prepare local liquor and

that become a hindrance to the new believers.

Paota: Satya Prakash & Anjana Masih

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Ministry at Paota village is growing every nook and corner. God healed Ramsingh of Bhaishana village from liver infection.

Pray: For the elders of Bhaishana and Mundawara congregations to take up the leadership of conducting worship services. For the healing of Reena of Kotputali village from thyroid problem and Shanthi from haemorrhage.

If God be for us who can be against us:

In Himachal Pradesh at Karsog mission field, our believer Jairam of Jaldi gave a piece of land for the construction of a Church and moreover, he himself started building the Church from his own money for the welfare of all the believers. But his neighbour filed a false case against him in order to encroach the property. Jairam gathered all the believers and prayed to God for this issue. As a result, the court gave a favourable verdict to him. Moreover, he got an official permission too to build a Church for the glory of God. Praise be to God!

MARCH

Sunday

7

Happy Birthday

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

Udaipur: Sunil Kumar Vasava & Beenakshiben

Praise: Two villages namely Masinghpura and Shera were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the night meetings in 6 places. Almost 100 people got the Good News about Jesus Christ for the first time through our outreach program. The family of Kulubhai got justice from the court in their land dispute. God healed Hanna, Mirki, Kalpana from unknown diseases and Gangaben from leg pain, Bherkiben from stomach pain. Our believer Shivalal got the suitable life partner in a Christian family.

Pray: For the people who received the Gospel to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Udaipur field and open door for the preaching of the Gospel. For the healing of Khemiben from eye problem.

Our believer Jamanlal family to be blessed with a child. For the salvation of the people of Som and Karel villages as they fight among themselves due to their addiction to alcohol.

Sangaria: Paulus Barjo & Binita

Praise: Two villages namely Sharewala and Sahidawala were newly reached with the Gospel. A believer family from Nagrana congregation voluntarily came forward to give food to the members of their congregation and to distribute promise verses from the scripture. The betrothal ceremony of our believer Kour Singh's daughter Priyanka was conducted in a Christian way. God delivered Maju of Dodewala from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of our new contacts – Ramandeep of Dolachak, Reetu from Nagrana, Purabahod Singh and Sukh Chin Kour of Pratapura, Kushmeet Kour from Dodewala, Manjeet Kour, Sarandeep Kour and Lovepreet Singh from Raniwala, Harbeender and Palveer Kour from 16 Chak Nilam areas. For the healing of Rani Kour of Nurpura from chronic back pain and Kiren Kour from tumour in the stomach. Sitaram from Pratapura to be delivered from the possession of evil spirit.

MARCH
Monday

8

Happy Birthday

Mr. Hamuel Limma

Kherwara:

Patel Devubhai & Jamuben

Praise: One village namely Dabela was reached newly with the Gospel. Our believer Harasitaben got healed from Covid'19 and Kanti, Sima, Bhumika, Mihir Hanju, Babu Vagi, Hakara, Sanjay and Heena from malaria fever.

Pray: For the salvation of Kadva, Prabhu, Dinesh and Ramesh. For the safe confinement of Neelam, Durga and Sharmila. Our believers Neel and Probina to be blessed with children. For the healing of Mahendra from deafness.

Uttar Pradesh
Sikandra & Bhagya
Nagar:

Ponnusamy & Chitra

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the night meetings conducted in 6 places, youth meeting, believers meeting and ladies meetings in various places. Follow up ministry was

done successfully in 44 villages. Christian funeral service for the first time conducted in Neplapur village. A volunteer family Shyam Narayan and Anita joined newly in our ministry

Pray: For the blessing of special meeting among Khanjar people of Narayanpur area. To open bank account for samiti in Auraiya, Dibiyapur and Sikandra areas. For our believer Sarvan who lost Rs. 41,000/- through cyber crime. For the blessing of elders training program at Rania, Pukhrayana and Sikandra, and for the outreach and film programs in new villages.

**A gentle answer turns away
the anger!**

In Odisha, at Pallahara mission field, Mukoman Juang, the son of a Mamalaposhi village head shouted and scolded at our believers who had gathered for prayer and fellowship. Standing at a distance he abused and used filthy words against the believers. Our missionary went and greeted him and hugged him. Then he asked for the reason of his shouting. The opponent changed his mind and asked pardon for his misbehaviour and went back. Our believers' thanksgiving prayer and worship went on well peacefully and joyfully. Praise God!

MARCH

Tuesday

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Happy Birthday

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

Jhinjhak: Samarendra Singh & Sushmita

Praise: Two persons came to the saving knowledge of Christ and 45 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the elders' training program in Bholanagar Church and night meetings in 12 villages. Our believers' son from Anantpura village was blessed with a child. NUT and Manchura people are responsive to the Gospel at Derapur sub-station. God healed Hoshishchand of Lagatha village from severe stomach pain.

Pray: For the blessing of follow up ministry in the places where the outreach ministry was done. Through the forthcoming Church elders' training, believers' training, women's training and evangelist families' training, the spiritual life of our believers to be strengthened. For the new contacts Moih, Poroach, Chakepurwa, Lohehapurwa and Bhadawal to grow in the Lord. Youths and evangelist to get more burdens to work for His Kingdom. For the spiritual growth of Samiti and

her daughter Chamanna as they confirm their faith on Jesus.

Kaimgang: Ebenezer G. Sam & Jebarani

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Rajpal of Kampil village started attending our Sunday service after many weeks. Our believer Manoj of Gadiya Jagnath village who attended service at Kampil village inspite of heavy cold weather. God opened the door for the Gospel in Lalpur village where people show much interest in the Gospel. Our believers Sapna and Vivek of Kampil who got championships in running race in Farrukhabad regional level competitions.

Pray: For the salvation of the families of Manoj of Gadiya Jaganath, Rajendra of Dumdera, Ananth of Ajampur villages. For Rinkey of Prithvi Darvaja who is suffering from ear infection to be healed completely and boldly accept Christ as her personal Saviour. Our believer Sobith of Aliganj who is studying for Airforce exam to get good marks and get Government job. For the weekend Bible study and prayer cells amidst severe cold to go smoothly. For the youngsters and children of Lijoure, Ajampur and Kampil villages who are receptive to Gospel to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour.

MARCH

Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day

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Happy Birthday

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

Kanpur Region: Srinivasan & Sheeba

Praise: Twenty-three persons came to the fold of Christ. God blessed the Jeep Team ministry conducted in 19 villages and many responded to the Gospel. God protected our Church elder Naresh Kumar of Bindki Church from a major bike accident. Our missionary Kahaiminthang underwent keyhole surgery to remove kidney stone successfully. Kewat people are more responsive to the Gospel

Pray: For the blessing of our Jeep Team ministry at Haseran and for the protection of all its members. For the forthcoming Church Elders training program at Basti and Sikandra Cluster to be more effective and meaningful. In view of developing 2nd line leadership, 20 young couples to

be trained in Ghatampur field. God to do miracle in the life of Shyamala Mathew as she is undergoing medication for kidney problem at CMC. For the salvation of the responsive People groups like NUT, Kewat, Pal, Kanchad and Kateriya.

Basti: Pumsonchin & Lunching

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God delivered Suman, Sawdi and Sharmila from the possession of evil spirits. God protected our CV who unceasingly worked during the pandemic period without any problem. God opened the door for the Gospel in Daisad village and many responded to the Gospel and attend our worship service.

Pray: Our believers Seema, Nirmala and Murali to be blessed with children. For the growth of the congregation at Sabdhea area. For the healing of Mala of Daisad village who is not able to recognize even her own children due to her dementia. New believers to attend the Church not just for miracles and blessings, but to stand firm in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ.

MARCH

Thursday

11

Happy Birthday

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

Madhya Pradesh

Niwali:

Channamallappa & Roopa

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the outreach programs in Jandayamahal, Jandyakunday, Valyapani and Dongrgaon villages. Our believer Babithabai of Chatali village was blessed with a child after 5 years of marriage. One family from Wazar village and two other families newly attend our worship service regularly.

Pray: For the believers of Golyapani who are getting ready to confess their faith in the Lord. For the spiritual life of the migrated believers to be preserved in the Lord. For the blessing of all the upcoming programs.

Khargone: Samuel

Marandi, Habel Hembrom

Praise: Ten persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 12 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Two worship centres were formed newly in Hatola and

Ekchapur. God delivered Anita from the possession of evil spirit. God healed Rosri from TB through prayer.

Pray: Worship centre to be established in Himarpura, Dawala, Ghudwa, Sangvi and Pipalkheda villages. For our believers who have taken loan to repay it without much difficulties. For Ramesh, Archana and Suresh to be blessed with children. For the deliverance of Raji Maji from the possession of evil spirit.

Ghoradongri:

Ravi & Sharon Rose

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. Backslidden sister Pavua from Betul started attending our worship service again. New seeker Sunitha was brought to worship at Basniya area. In our prayer meeting at Betul- Radha, Rakia and Dina newly joined. Our young believers from Kodangiri area attend Bible Quiz and youth meetings regularly.

Pray: For the backslidden sister Purikanu of Betul to give up her evil ways and return to our worship service. Our believer Pulanthi Baralal to attend the worship service amidst household duties. For the deliverance of Mona Jothish of Pedidana from the possession of evil spirit.

MARCH
Friday

12

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Shiny Kinsly

Udainagar:

Wilson & Rashmita

Praise: Twelve persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Many new persons started attending our worship service and they experienced love of God for the first time in their life.

Pray: For the prayer meetings to be started in Kisangad, Kevadiyapani, Ansan and Kuthhod areas. For the blessing of the follow up ministry in 10 villages where our outreach ministry was done. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Maluch and Bhuru areas. For the deliverance of Iravan, Kachivan, Babulal and Pawan from the addiction of alcohol. For the healing of Sunila from blindness, Lakhan from kidney problem and Raveer from mental illness.

Dhar:

**Karunakar Garda &
Gitanjali Behera**

Praise: Two villages namely Padlia and Bagdi were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the follow up ministry in Bagdi and Padlia villages. During the fasting prayer at Dhar, Kater and Kakriya villages many experienced the miracle and love of God. Our new seekers Bhuwan Singh, Laxmi and Ashish grow in their spiritual life. New persons attend our prayer fellowship at Dhar and Kakarda areas.

Pray: For the worship groups to be started at Padlia, Bagdi and Patadi villages. For the spiritual growth of the people of Ratanpura, Kakriya and Labriya who attend our worship services regularly. Women's meeting to be conducted in Kater and Kanda villages. Children's meeting to be resumed in Kater, Matipura, Dhar, Kakriya and Labriya villages soon. For the salvation of the families of Prakash and Anil who show interest in the Gospel.

MARCH
Saturday

13

Happy Birthday

Mr. Hutoi Achumi K
Mr. Yesuprakash J

Jharkhand

Lalmatia:

Amarenthiran & Swetha

Praise: Five persons came to the saving knowledge of God from Harkatta village. Nine persons, as a team, consisting of 4 youths, 2 volunteers, one Church elder and our missionary family, fasted for 7 days and everyone was filled with God's strength and witnessed God's spectacular workings during this prayer. Moreover sick people from many villages also attended this fasting prayer and experienced the healing touch of God. Believers are actively involving in bringing others to Christ. God healed Poonam from bleeding for 14 days due to a miscarriage and Sanjay Tudu from mental disorder. Shyamlal is willing to join as a volunteer in Lalmatia field.

Pray: For revival to take place in the hearts of the believers. For the plan of surveying Godda

area in order to extend our ministry. For the new contact at Beltekri village of Mahagama area through whom our ministry to be established among the villagers who are known for producing alcohol. For the repentance of Munilal Kisku who does not attend the Church services regularly. Congregations to be formed in Baraband, Bhabon, Tulsipur and Telodhoni villages in Fulbadia area.

**Golden ring that was missed,
found on a tree!**

In Maharashtra, at Khammam field, Thottayareddy (60 years) who lives in Ippur village was tested positive to Covid-19 and was very serious. God healed him as an answer to prayers. After returning from hospital he arranged a thanksgiving meeting and testified the Lord's goodness. He shared his testimony - Three years back his wife had lost a golden ring which costs Rs.30,000/- Following that, their house was under flood two times with river Godawari was flooded. But miraculously they found the ring upon a branch of a tree recently and they conducted a thanksgiving meeting and glorified God. Praise the Lord!

MARCH
Sunday

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Happy Birthday

Mrs. Chellakani Asirvatham
Mrs. Elizabeth David, Mr. Vyasu Babu A
Mrs. Vung ThianChing Thang

Pakuria:

**Emmanuel Murmu &
Nila Hasdak**

Praise: 22 persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 25 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. All the congregations were encouraged to give tithe every month. Almost 400 persons received the Gospel through outreach program. God blessed the youth program, small group, believers' meeting, Church elders' meeting and all night prayer meetings conducted in various places.

Pray: For the Church elders' meeting to be conducted in congregation wise, Sunday services in area wise and believers' meeting in pastorate wise. For the spiritual growth of the believers. All the congregations to observe the

Lenten days meaningfully. For the consolation of the family members of our Church elder Luksa Murmu who passed away recently. For the spiritual standards of the Church elder. Churches to be built in Baspahari, Pathapahari, Pendra, Rolagram, Borlong and Dohadanga areas.

**Dhalbhumgarh & Hostel:
Vaghera Pramod Kumar &
Jashodaben**

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Hostel was reopened after a long time. Our hostel children who study 10th and 12th classes undergo tuition classes. A family was placed newly as incharge of the hostel.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the believers. For the Church construction work to be resumed at Bakrakocha village. A local evangelist has to be placed soon. For the healing of a boy from Bakrakocha village whose eyelids are closed. For the cooperation of the Church elders of Sunderdih Church elders and committee members.

MARCH
Monday

15

Happy Birthday

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

Chandana Hostel: Kaithiengni Vaiphei & Melody Dimsonting

Praise: God blessed the film ministry in 4 places and VBS program in many places. God healed Samuel Kisku from high fever. For hostel Children to study well. The local people also cooperate with our ministry in many ways.

Pray: For the schools and hostels to reopen soon so that the studies of the students won't be spoiled. For the hostel children to be developed in all sorts of skills and talents. Senior students to commit their life to serve the Lord in the future. Chandana hostel land case to be solved soon. For the students namely Lawrence Tudu, Anil Hembrom, Abika Marandi, Dilip Kisku, Dinesh Murmu, Ruben Marandi and Salbet Hasda who are going to appear for the 10th Board exam.

Telo: Paulraj & Jeba Jothi

Praise: Twenty-nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God blessed the thanksgiving meeting at Gowripur and almost 600 people attended. Samson Hansdak of Mongra village experienced the love of God through His miracle and he and his family were saved. God healed Phulin Kisku of Pahadpur and Hopna Kisku of Kordiha from cereberal malaria and typhoid sickness. God blessed the believers meeting at Domdi, Basko, Manduwa, Bahaband and Ranidhi areas.

Pray: For the blessing of field level convention at Basko from 9th - 11th March 2021 and more than 2000 people to attend. For the salvation of the people who are responsive to the Gospel in Rangmatia, Taljhari, Baha and Bisanpur villages. For the healing of Manjhi Hansdak of Kaplai from mental disorder and Esther Madaya of Baramasia who is suffering from T.B. For the safe confinement of Sarojini Tudu of Gowripur. For the Church construction work in Kinduwa, Kordiha and Ranidih villages and the compound wall work in Bagmundi area to go smoothly.

MARCH
Tuesday

16

Happy Birthday

Mr. Yecto Choppy, Mrs. Animol Jacob
Mrs. Agnes Ebenezer Edward

**Santal Dicipleship
Ministry:**

Sudhaharan & Florence

Praise: God protected all our missionaries, evangelists and believers from the severe cold season. Newly recruited missionary trainees namely Anisha, Helen and Sreejha are placed for the field exposure. God enabled the missionaries to conduct meeting in Nunihat and Shikaripara field for the first time among the Church elders and lay leaders focusing on the importance of the Bible Study in the congregation. The printing work of the Bible study book with 100 lessons completed.

Pray: For the healing of the father of our evangelist Charles Marandi from kidney problem. God to bestow wisdom to learn the local language to the newly recruited trainees. For the consolation of Helen whose mother passed away. For the salvation of Patras Besra of Pathargama village who has faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The forthcoming programs to be held without any hindrance.

**Jagannathpur: Ganesh
& Sumathi; Suresh Malto,
Santu Marandi**

Praise: Nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Purban Bobanga of Kalaiya village from chest pain and Belmati's son from sickness.

Pray: For the Church construction work at Pukhrigar village to go smoothly without any hindrance. For the land documents to be processed to build a Church at Rebedolha area and Burusai villages. For the spiritual growth of the believers at Kudamsadha village. For the new contacts from Bokanda, Gujdijoda, Mangara and Sosopi villages who attend the worship services to accept Jesus Christ. Small group prayers at Harda, Padasa and Javebeda villages to be conducted regularly. For the spiritual growth of the new contacts namely Sonaram Purty, Ram Purty, Kaderam purty, Pradhan Honhaga, Arjan Honhaga, Chakro Honhaga, Roshni Honhaga and Mitele Honhaga of Sarda village. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel at Seresai and Kali villages.

MARCH

Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day

17

Happy Birthday

Mr. Selvaraj A
Mrs. Savita Devi

Nonihat: Letkholun Baite & Hatneikim

Praise: Sixteen persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 11 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the Dhamna Church dedication and many witnessed the glory of God. Youth leaders' training was conducted in Matkara and harvest festival in all the congregation became a great blessing to many.

Pray: In need of a suitable land at Katanja for building a Church. Our believer Mukhia of this field to be blessed with a child. For the migrant believers who are in different states suffer from various sicknesses to be healed. For the deliverance of the believers from the habit of alcohol addiction completely.

Shikkaripada: Kumaravel & Mariyal

Praise: Twenty-five persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 3

villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Sumi Hasdak from deathbed, Saheb Soren from mental disorder and Shiblal Marandi from fits. God blessed our believer Suresh Murmu with a child.

Pray: For the unity of believers in the Jamkandar congregation. For the Bible study and small group to be conducted regularly in all the congregations. For the healing of Suraj Murmu of Sogetola, Hopna Tudu of Nutanpara and the daughters of Mongal Murmu and Chapamuni Murmu from mental disorder.

Jama & Maharo Home: Vadekar Dilipbhai & Konkani Bharatiben

Praise: Nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 15 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the follow up ministry in 30 villages and outreach ministry in 5 villages. God healed Kolam Tudu from stomach problem.

Pray: Our Church elder family Babuji Kisku and Sumi Murmu to be blessed with a child. God to protect the believers from the hands of Ojha and gurus as they have become a hindrance to the believers in many ways.

MARCH
Thursday

18

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Indramma Daniel Vijayaraj

Ramgarh:
**Timothy S. Kumar &
Muthuselvi**

Praise: Twenty-nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 11 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Backslidden believers were restored back to faith at Thama area. Our Church at Dolkatta is reopened for worship which was closed for few months due to some family disputes. The village leader of Kinduva confessed the faith in the Lord Jesus Christ along with his family members.

Pray: For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Jithlala Baski and Kopna areas. For the backslidden believers to be restored in faith of the Lord. For the witnessing life of the believers as they many still practice polygamy system.

West Bengal

**Tapan: Kingsly Livingston
& Delphin**

Praise: Two persons were added into the fold of Christ. God enabled our missionaries to survey in 75 villages in 3 areas to do outreach ministry. God healed Sonali Tudu and Prasanto from evil dreams and Sujit from unknown sickness.

Pray: For worship centres are to be established in Chondol, Bholnathpur, Borom, Bhirbiri and Purothan Gangarampur villages where the Gospel was preached and many believers are coming up. For the healing of Biswajeet Tudu and Anantalal Tudu from mental disorder. For the repentance of Rebecca Tudu, Komol Murmu who disturbs our ministry in many ways. For the smooth going of the Church construction work at Nakdahar area which gets disturbance due to disowning and disunity among the believers. For the salvation of Santal people at Ananthapur and Bhudakom villages. Pray for the families of our evangelists, Church elders and volunteers to be enriched by the power of Holy Spirit so that they will excel in their ministry. An evangelist is to be placed in Southdinajpur District as there is open door for the Gospel.

MARCH
Friday



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Renuma Sadangi Deeptilal Mali
Mrs. Delphin Kingsly Livingston

Jamboni:
**Ephraim Malli &
Prosonsita**

Praise: Thirteen villages namely Baliagudi, Chotta Bansar, Bada Bansar, Balas Bordai, Domohani, Kadodis, Kasia, Bengadia, Sambhoha, Rajbada, Pomchami, Chondri and Badelale were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the outreach programs in Silda and Bimber areas. Gospel united the Santalis and other people group to worship the Lord Jesus Christ together.

Pray: For the local evangelists and volunteers are to be newly placed for the growth and extension of our ministry. For the salvation of Karam Hembrom of Benegadia village, Hamru Soren from Panchami village, Kalpana Mahota from Jamunasole village and Anjali Kour from

Jorposila village. Worship services and Bible study groups to be conducted regularly at Thakuram Pahari, Jhingasole, Ram Nagar and Raghunathpur areas.

Asom
Jonai:
**Sunil Singh &
Joy Bella**

Praise: God helped our missionaries to conduct mass outreach programme in two different places in Bali village, children camp and believers' camp. Two persons were added into God's fold. God healed Manoj Doley from his sickness.

Pray: For our new contacts Ram Mili, Chandro Singh, Raja and Azad to give up the habit of drinking alcohol. For the salvation of the families of George, Poojari Hemo Sonuwal, Aroghando Naro, Devaraj, and Puttul Jonakanto. For the spiritual growth of our new believers. For the open doors for the Gospel in 374 villages of Jonai field. Our local evangelist Pranab Kutuam to serve the Lord enthusiastically.

MARCH
Saturday

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Happy Birthday

Mr. David Perumal, Mr. George C R
Mrs. Puspita Rani Behera
Mrs. Gnana Selvarani Jeeva
Mr. Bimal Chandra Murmu
Mr. Sabir Kumar Singh, Mr. Samuel Beberta

Odisha

Dhenkanal:

Vinod Kumar & Joyce

Praise: Seven came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed the family of our local evangelist and brought back to the mission field safely, Pada Gochayat from leg weakness and Bolanda of Chattar village from severe stomach problem. God delivered Raghuabil of Samaya Bondra village from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the revival to take place in this mission field. For the healing of Babli Chami from neck cancer, Israel Munda from mental disorder, Bolanda of Mohanti Kunkal village from paralysis and Brahamani of Polo Hembrom village from heart problem.

Jashipur:

Sukinlala & Jayarani

Praise: Thirty persons came

to the faith in Jesus Christ and 20 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Saraswathy and Taguru Hembrom from paralysis. God blessed the new believers' camp, Field Church Council meeting and Sunday school teachers meetings. 20 hostel children returned to the hostel safely.

Pray: For the mass movements to take place among the HO people groups. Churches to be built in Kumaribil, Kadaghuruva, Bhurudi and Osura villages. For the healing of Lakshmi Purty from sickness, Sunai Gagarai from liver problem, Dising Purty and Surai Marandi from fit.

Tumors in the stomach disappeared!

In Haryana, at Bazpur mission field, Golu of Rajpura village experienced the love of God and led a spiritual life. One day he got a severe pain in the stomach and when he consulted the doctor, he came to know that there were many tumors in the stomach. He persistently prayed to God for the healing and trusted that God will do a miracle. After a few days, he went through medical checkup and the doctors found the tumors disappeared from his stomach. They too acknowledge the medical miracle of God. Glory to God!

MARCH

Sunday

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Happy Birthday

Mrs. Celina Hansdak Kisku
Mrs. Propilla Bosumatary Prodiip
Mr. Amirdharaj V
Mr. Govindarajan E @ Benjamin
Mrs. Sasikala Venkatesan
Mr. Rajendran J
Mr. Ganesh R

Keonjhar:

Pratyush Nayak & Leona

Praise: Four persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 11 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the new believers training and the new believers have strengthened their faith in the Lord. God healed Nagi of Devgumsahi village from bleeding and miscarriage. God protected the 21 believers of Bangrudi who faced opposition due to the issue of a Church land.

Pray: For the smooth going of the Church construction work at Balisahi village. For the healing of Sita Munda and Dit Munda from mental illness and Shanti

Munda from anaemia. For the deliverance of Jeeten, Baijanti family and Sonamani from the possession of evil spirits.

Pallahara:

Basudev Malto & Basanti

Praise: The congregation at Kakudima area was restored back to faith after two years of endeavours and prayers. Our 10th and 12th Hostel children returned to the hostel safely. God blessed the family seminar conducted for the believers at Mamalaposhi and Kontanali areas. God enabled Katia Naik to give up his habit of drinking alcohol. New believers attend the Sunday service and Wednesday fasting prayer regularly at Bayakumutia and Mamalaposhi villages.

Pray: For the wife of Jatra Naik to have a safe confinement though she is anaemic. Our believers Tangu family of Andhari and Luchono Juang of Mamalaposhi areas to be blessed with children. Mass movement to take place among the Juang community.

MARCH
Monday

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Rairangpur:
Samuel & Havila

Praise: Four persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Six families namely Sethel Munda, Hada Sandil, Tangurdas Hembrom, Kuna Chandra Tupu, Damodar Majh and Hemba Purty and two individuals namely Ganesh Banra and Kunami Marandi who heard the Gospel accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. God healed Bursu Tiriya from mental disorder due to the possession of evil spirit and Hesadi Sombram from a deep wound in his leg.

Pray: For worship groups to be formed in Gobinathpur, Kuwardi and Balgisua areas. Jamuna Hembrom, the opponent of the Gospel to accept Jesus Christ as our missionaries prayed for him during his sickness. For the blessing of the film programs in Kopudi, Makadi and Tangarjoda areas. For the salvation of Lakshman Purty who takes our evangelists to the new areas

for ministry, though he is not a believer. For the healing of Sera Purty from paralysis, Karmi Tudu from bone TB, Nathiya Soren and Pandusirga from kidney problem, Jodesingh and Rajubodra from cancer and Kuwar Purty from mental disorder.

Gujarat

LTI- Fokdi:

Reuben Ravi & Vijayarani

Praise: For the 150 believers who gathered in Kherdipada Church for thanksgiving worship service. God enabled the missionaries to build kitchen shed, water shed, vehicle shed and rest-rooms for use of our believers during the leadership programs. Almost all the children who study 10th and 12th Stds returned to the Fokdi Mithra Bhavan children's home.

Pray: For many training programs for the believers to be conducted in the LTI campus. For the completion of the translation of "FMPB teaching materials" for the local evangelists' training. Many local evangelists to come forward to join the Biblical studies in the near future.

MARCH

Tuesday

23

Happy Birthday

Mr. Sukanto Kumar Singh
Miss. Nemzavah

Kadod: Ramsinghbai & Urmilaben

Praise: Six persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 7 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Vinodbhai of Kamlapur from liver infection and Geetaben of Tarsadi village from Covid'19. New seekers Arvindbhai, Riyaben, Rihit Sanaben and Shankuben are regularly attending our worship service. God blessed our missionary's daughter Rinku with a teaching job at Govt. Navodhaya Maldagam School.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of our new believers. Night meetings to be started in Urarsadi and Ghantali villages. For the salvation of Rohit, Sonaben, Arvindbhai, Rinaben, Nitaben, Bhuriben, Sealeshbhai and Parsuben as they show interest in the Gospel.

Thanakla: Asir Moses & Amirtha Golda

Praise: One village namely Modasha was newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed

the outreach program in Kapriya village and many responded to the Gospel. 15 persons received the New Testament and 3 persons the Bible during our ministry. Follow up ministry at Shirgam, Zer and Vadi villages was a great blessing to many and many attended the fasting prayer at Ambala and Pitchipura villages.

Pray: Worship service to be started in Kapriya, Zer, Shirgam and Modasa villages. For the open door for the Gospel among the Thad misconception vi people group. Our believer Rekaben of Amunthala village to be blessed with a child. For the deliverance of Ramanbhai, Somabhai and Athulbhai from the alcohol addiction.

A son was born after 7 daughters!

In Rajasthan at Kherwara mission field, our believer Kantibhai Damor of Gamadi village had 7 seven daughters. But she was very particular about giving birth to a son and she prayed to God fervently every day and even she requested other believers also to pray for that. God honoured her faith and she gave birth to a son as the 8th child and all her family members are thankful to God for what He has done in their family.

MARCH
Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Mecwan Pheobebahen
Mrs. Nirola Digal

Mehsana:
**Sambhunath Nayak &
Rajswari**

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. Our backslidden believer Chandrikaben came back to the worship service. Two persons namely Tarun and Mehshana joined with our missionaries in the outreach program. Night meeting at Palavasapura is going on regularly.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of Chandrikaben as she is getting ready to confess her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The seekers of Debdanshan area who received the Gospel and experienced miracle in their lives to accept Jesus Christ. For the salvation of Geetaben, Dinbhai and Pintubhai as they show interest in the Gospel and regularly attend our worship service.

**Dadra &
Nagar Haveli**

Khanvel:

Vinu & Suhi Malar

Praise: Eight persons namely Laithaben, Bikilbhai and Vaslaben of Kochai village, Leelaben, Sandeepbhai and Anjuben of Anveer area, Nileshbhai and Anjaliben of Thabilona village show interest in the Gospel. God protected Sunilbhai of Thabilona from electrocution. God blessed Subanben with a child. God healed Yasodhaben of Modugam village from kidney stone problem and Kobabhai from skin problem in the leg. Dineshbhai of Surangi area got deliverance from the addiction to alcohol and returned to the faith in the Lord.

Pray: For the repentance of Insubhai of Ummervani village from the business of selling alcohol. The believers of Manthoni area gather for worship peacefully amidst the rumour of Covid'19. Backslidden believer Ummervani Jurubhai to be restored in faith. For the healing of Vasena Kannubhai from mental disorder and Ajithbhai from kidney stone problem.

MARCH

Thursday

25

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Lhingneihoi Zou

**Silvassa: Akilesh Kumar
& Kiren Devi**

Praise: Four persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ at Rurpada area and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed our believer's child Dilipbhai of Varoli who started walking after three years of prayers and Umeshbhai of Ojhar village from disability. God blessed Rasilaben of Sayali village with a child.

Pray: For the healing of Girjiben from stomach cancer, Ganeshbhai from mental disorder and Meruben and Savnjbhai from paralysis. God to strengthen the believers of Ojhar area to build a Church of their own.

Maharashtra

**Molgi, Narmada,
Vadfally:**

Bharanidharan & Selvarani

Praise: Four persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 3 villages were newly reached

with the Gospel. God blessed the women's meeting in Sari, Oalpada, Mohapada and Thel areas. 15 youth attended the youth training in Bharkund village and committed themselves to holy living in Jesus Christ. God healed Revkibhai of Kathri from chronic chest pain. Sathya Maharaj shows interest in the Gospel.

Pray: For the healing of Vilas of Thorkapada who got head injury due to an accident. For Dhebo Dhodha to stand firmly in the faith of the Lord inspite of opposition for conducting prayer meeting in her house. For the blessing of the forthcoming outreach programs. Our local evangelists to learn to read the Bible in order to grow in the Lord.

**Social distancing did not stop
worshipping the Saviour:**

In New Delhi at Patparganj mission field, our believers Ganesh Barik, Vishwakant and Pradeep Barik from Trilokpuri congregation provided TV for the believers to worship together observing the social distancing norms of the Government. As a result, believers were encouraged and enriched by the spiritual fellowship. May God be hounoured!

MARCH

Friday

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Happy Birthday

Mr. Jacob Gnanapandithan M
Mrs. Maria Selvi Dharmaraj

Vadali, Dondaicha:

Bidyut Kumar Singh

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Mamta Didi from a severe stomach problem. Worship centre of Koutede is resumed as the migrant believers returned. Our believer Anil Jalam Dada got a suitable life partner.

Pray: For our believer Sanju Dada to get government subsidy to build a house of his own. For the healing of Raju Dada, a stone worker who is suffering from severe backpain. For the deliverance of Binod Dada from all the bad habits as he is going to get married. For the repentance of Prakash, 12 years old boy who disobeys his parents in terms of doing his studies. Our believer Jalam Dada's wedding expenses to be met.

Jimmalagatta [Sironcha]:

**Srinivas Lazarus &
Sunitha**

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God

blessed the follow up ministry in 27 villages and many renewed their commitment and strengthened in the Lord Jesus Christ. Mass outreach program at Chikyala village brought good response from the people. Two families from Umanur village show interest in the Gospel. God healed Pentamma Kawre of Dachilipeta from malaria and Maremma Kondagarla from joint pains. Personal evangelism in five villages brought good result. The family of Suresh Durgam attend our worship service regularly at Merapalli area.

Pray: For the salvation of the families of Dileep Madavi of Shada village, Chinnakka, Ganitha, Mounika and Karkka as they show interest in the Gospel. For the blessing of the training of Bible study leaders. For the repentance of the people who encroaches the land of our believer Pentamma. For the new contacts Kishtayya, Madanayya Kaware, Chandraia Kodape and Ramachandra to accept Jesus Christ. Mass movements to take place among Gond, Manya Koya, Madia and Nethakaani people groups. Our congregations at Merapalli, Chirapalli, Erragadda Perkabatti, Darshawada and Dachilipeta villages to be strengthened in faith. For the open door for the Gospel in Merrygudem, Ambejara and Venukabanda villages.

MARCH
Saturday

27

Happy Birthday

Mr. Moorthi T

Mukhada:

Nagarajan & Thilagavathy

Praise: Three persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believers of Ambachapada and Vakkarichapada got back their cows which were lost for a few days. God healed Kesav of Vanavasi village from the leg injury due to the falling of a stone. God protected our believers while travelling on a truck which was about to fall in a pit.

Pray: For the healing of Mina of Kalampada and Kalpana of Posera from boil in their necks and Geetha of Thanduvel village from white leprosy. God to save the life of Kanthaben, the mother of our Church elder Suresh from her deathbed. Peace to prevail in the family of Ram and Jeyaseeli.

Karnataka

Kolar:

Samuel Beborta

Praise: God healed Padmavati of Belbari village from the possession of evil spirit. God healed Akhita of Chattracodalli village from thyroid and Lakshmiddeviamma of Arali village from kidney problem. God blessed the outreach ministry in 39 villages without any opposition. Our believer Jayalakshmiamma of Seepur village got favourable verdict from the court over her land dispute. A Church at Vemagal field was dedicated for the glory of God.

Pray: For the healing of Jayaramappa of Thalgonda village from leprosy. For the salvation of Prashant of Seepur who shows interest in the Gospel as he is facing some tension over a court case. Our believers to give up the habit of drinking alcohol completely. All who have received tracts and heard the preaching about Jesus to accept Him as their Lord and Saviour.

MARCH
Sunday

28

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Jerinah Shimrah

Gauribidanur: Francis Duraismy & Jayanthi

Praise: One person came to the faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. People from 20 villages received our Gospel tracts and listened to the Gospel. God blessed Rajesh and Martha with a child. Our backslidden believer Lakshmiamma came back to the Lord Jesus Christ and attends our worship regularly. Our believer Nanjamma of Edagur area started sharing the Gospel to the other neighbours.

Pray: Our believer Modalatti to be strengthened as he was defeated in the Panchayat election. For the goat of our believer Ramakka which falls ill quite often. Peace to prevail in the family of Shivappa and Gangamma. For the spiritual growth of our young believers namely Nagendra, Ajay, Prabhu, James, Dhanraj, Rajesh, Samsekar, Anitha and Sapal. Our believers Ramakrishnappa,

Gangappa and Narsima Reddy to attend our Sunday service regularly.

Spiritual self-examination among Santal believers:

In Jharkhand at Mandro mission field, the Church elders and committee people Santhal people group of Baramasia area gathered and discussed the standards of the believers. They analyzed the culture of Santal people group which is known for alcohol addiction, liquor brewing, poverty, illiteracy, laziness, hatredness, jealousy, murder, blind belief and immorality. In discussion they found that their people are in Satan's bondage and they are unable to leave these bad habits. They realized that they are cursed because of the sins of their ancestors. They confessed their sins before God and asked for the forgiveness and God's blessing in Santal community. And finally committee people took decision to make survey of all the believers' children to obtain age proof certificate and make record of it and give awareness on legal and holy marriage to the parents and youths separately. Certainly God would bless all their efforts for the welfare of Santal people and we uphold them in our prayers.

MARCH
Monday

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Happy Birthday

Mrs. Alice Ranjit James
Mr. John Andrews Sugirtharaj
Miss. Angel E

Shirahatti: Ashaprapta Pal & Deena Kumari Bebart

Praise: Five villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Anitha got a Govt. job through prayer. Two of our lady believers got suitable life partners. God healed Sasikala from severe backpain and Sambhu from chronic stomach problem.

Pray: For our new contact Barmappa who faces some problem from the neighbour while building a house of his own. For the complete healing of our believer Rekha who gave birth to a child through caesarean got some complication. Our believers Manjula and Bhagya to be blessed with children. For the healing of Hemant from chest pain.

Gajendragada: Manjya Naik & Ratna

Praise: Six villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the film program in 4 villages. God healed Ningappa

who got liver problem due to his drinking habit got healed through prayers.

Pray: For the financial needs to be met for the wedding of the daughter of Annakka and Yellappa. Our believer Vasanth to repay the loan without any financial difficulty. Our believer Subbamma to be blessed with a child.

God rescued from the valley of death!

In Punjab at Barnala mission field, our missionary and a youth leader Tapa returned home after the ministry around 6pm. Due to the heavy fog, the road was not clear enough. The motor bike hit a truck and fell to a deep pit. Nothing happened to the missionary as he was wearing the helmet whereas the young believer got an injury on his forehead. There was no one to rescue them from the deep pit and it was getting dark. God sent an angel like person within half an hour who rescued them from the pit and took them to the hospital and the young believer is still on treatment. Even the non-believers understand the seriousness of the accident and acknowledge that the youth believer was rescued only because he had gone for the ministry purpose. All glory to God!

MARCH
Tuesday

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Happy Birthday

Mr. Konkani Sampathbhai
Mrs. Kshetrimayum Priya Devi Jeewer Joeswa

Andhra Pradesh

Kuppam:

Paul Kuppusamy & Shyla

Praise: Twelve persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God blessed the soul winners' training at Bandapalli, believers' family retreat at Gudlanayanapalli and youth meetings at Kuppam areas. Five families attend the Church service at Gudlanayanapalli village. Our believer Pavithra got a safe confinement.

Pray: For the blessing of all the upcoming programs such as Church elders' training, outreach ministry, all night prayer and Lenten day special fasting prayer. For the spiritual growth of the families of Rajasekar, Shilpa, Kalavathi, Kamala, Sowbhagya, Pavithra, Chennappa, Ammayamma, Savithriamma, Ramakka and Govindraj as they regularly attend our worship service. For Chandrayan to give up the habit of drinking alcohol. CCTV to be

installed in all the 10 Churches in this field. Our believers Anitha, Balaji, Kalavathi and Sowbhagya to be blessed with children. For the healing of Rangeela from Paralysis and Prabhakar from head injury.

**God's miracle triggers
Bhuiyan ministry:**

In Jharkhand at Kathikund mission field, Jairam is a married man, belonging to Bhuiyan Ghatol community. His wife is in-charge of Anganwadi. They have built their own house in their village called Bag Jhonpa. Their son Bitu Roy is studying 10th Std. He got severe pain in his stomach. When it was investigated it was found that there is a kidney stone. While taking treatment he got pain from his thigh to foot and was unable to walk now. Having become tired of arranging treatments from different sources, now the whole family has started trusting Jesus. They have hired a house in a nearby town Kathikund to avail medical treatment. We have started prayer meeting in his rented house. They go to Church for Sunday service too. Please pray that this seeking believers to experience God's miraculous touch and this may give us a good start for mission to Bhuiyan people coming into Christ in this field.

MARCH

Wednesday
Fasting Prayer Day

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Happy Birthday

Mrs. Amirtha Golda Asir, Mr. John Ezung
Mrs. Thoti Gurramvari Hima Bindu Ramesh

Palamaner:

Sathyappa & Syamala

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 8 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God opened the doors for the Gospel in Baduguntapalli, Thathapalli, Krisnapuram. Sundarpalayam and Nakkapalli villages. Volunteers namely Devan Raj, Lazarus, David, Ganesh and Johnson actively involve in the outreach programs. Our youth believer Ganesh got Govt. Job after much prayer. God enabled us to install CCTV camera in Thallapalli, Sambarpur, Baireddipalli, Kuppam, Kalakada and Devalapalli Churches with the help of our believers' contribution. Our new seekers Dharani attend the Ravanaiahgaripalli Church, Rangamma - Damalacheruvu Church and others Godugucintha Church regularly.

Pray: For the installation of CCTV camera in the other 24 Churches

as per the Govt. norms soon. For the samithi members and Church elders to be strengthened and to stand firm in the midst of all the present situations and protect the local Churches. For the healing of Rajeshwari of Ramakuppam from cancer and Manisha of Guntur from kidney problem. For the amicable settlement of the land dispute of our believer Kamala of Amma village. Prakash Reddy of Juvan Palli village to get suitable life partner. Our believer Pallani of Ramakuppam to be blessed with a child.

**Dharmavaram: Debadatta
Lima & Sonia Rani**

Praise: One village was newly reached with the Gospel. God protected Chandra from a major accident. God blessed the new believers' meeting and seekers' camp at Kotapatta area, outreach ministry in 9 villages and Church elders meeting at Indiraka Colony.

Pray: For the salvation of Srinivas, Sunitha, Kartik and Malikarjuna Bharati. For the healing of Pallavi who is not able to concentrate on her studies due to health issues. For the studies of our believer's children Goutami, Bimabindu, Venucharan, Chandra, Manika and Hemalatha.

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