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**Blessed
are the people whose
God is the Lord!**

(Ps.144:15)



FRONTLINE...

Independence Day, Our Gospel Day!



We, the Indians celebrate our 75th Independence Day on 15th August i.e. independence from the British Raj that once ruled over us. It was the birth of independent India and the beginning of our beloved freedom. It is good to thank God for the blessing of liberty, remembering all the freedom fighters of India. It is right to be patriotic and celebrate our nation's independence. The Christian community has reasons to legitimately feel proud of its contribution to the nation. Both prior and after independence 2.3% of India's population of Christians have contributed to its development in a significant and unique way. In fact Christians' contribution may be far beyond its statistics both in quality and quantity.

Although it is obvious that political, national and democratic freedoms are good, true freedom is found only in Christ and in His Kingdom. No kingdom of this world, including our great country, can give us true freedom. We love our nation and we believe in our democracy. Yet, our patriotism must be submissive to Christ. True freedom came and is still coming at a cost. Christ died for us, it costs Him everything. Our freedom comes at a price as we ourselves submit to Him as He became the ransom for us. "So if the Son sets you free, you are free indeed" (John 8.36).

Our God wants everyone to experience life in freedom to the fullest measure, to be free from any form of slavery and to be able to pursue that which brings true happiness and joy. Jesus wants to give us complete freedom from anything and everything that has hurt and oppressed us. For example, He wants to set us free from destructive ways of thinking and behaving, from wounds caused by our own mistakes, things people have done to us and from any bondage we may have in our lives for reasons that cannot be comprehended. Jesus also wants to free us to become everything He intended us to be. Ultimately, that means **becoming more and more like Him**. Imagine a life totally secure, free from all fear and anxiety, full of joy and peace, able to walk through the everyday challenges of life with confidence under the Father's care and provision, and living in joyful obedience to the Will of God in our life. Now that's true freedom! Freedom in Christ will unite us in love, peace and justice with all people regardless of nationality, race, colour, religion, social status, education, economic status, position or persuasion.

As we celebrate Independence Day of our nation, let us remember Martin Luther's statement from his - The Freedom of a Christian: "A Christian is a perfectly free lord of all, subject to no one. A Christian is a perfectly dutiful servant of all, subject to all." Luther's words are a rather perfect reflection of the Apostle Paul's inspired words in Galatians 5:13: "You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge us the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love." By taking this advice well, let us use the Independence Day as a springboard for explaining to people through our life and deeds, as to how they can find **real** freedom in Christ!

- JJ. Harris (Communication Dept.)

“To belong to Jesus is to embrace the nations with Him.” - John Piper

“It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible.” - George Washington

“The reason that Christianity is the best friend of government is because Christianity is the only religion that changes the heart.” - Thomas Jefferson

“Be a reconciling community in a divided world.”
- Sam T. Kamaleson

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.
(Gal.5:13)

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From the General Secretary...



Dear Partners in the fulfilment of the Great Commission,

Greetings to you all in the mighty and matchless Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Nehemiah - focusing on task in the midst of opposition:

When Nehemiah was building the wall of Jerusalem, he faced different kinds of opposition like ridicule, planted lies, threatening and attack on his reputation, all mentioned in Nehemiah chapters 4 to 6. His main weapon to blunt the weapons of the enemy was prayer (Neh.4:4&5). When Sanballat ridiculed the Jews (4:1) and Tobiah the Ammonite said, "What they are building-even a fox climbing up on it would break down their wall of stones!"(4:3), Nehemiah's response was "Hear us, our God, for we are despised." Instead of responding to the adversaries directly, Nehemiah went to God in prayer and cried before Him. In all these things, he never wavered on his vision of building the wall or lost his focus from the task at hand. As

we are trying to fulfil the vision of reaching this nation with the gospel of Jesus Christ, we too face many hurdles and adversaries. Nehemiah teaches us that we have to take all adversities to God in prayer and keep our focus on the vision of bringing the gospel to every single Indian.

Indigenization:

The initiative of Indigenization in our Churches and congregations is picking up speed. The Zonal and Regional secretaries with the help of the missionaries are drawing plans and strategies to make the Churches self-sufficient in finance, governance and propagation. The Santal Sahibganj region Churches provide all financial support to their evangelists from April 2021. Praise be to God.

Maximizing the utility of collection app:

We introduced a Mobile App to record the details of sacrificial offerings of our donors in September 2020 with a view to shift our accounting to digital mode for easy access and increased accuracy. Also, it was believed that it would reduce the burden of our Prayer Group leaders although there may be some initial difficulty to get accustomed to the new system. The first step in this direction is to enrol all our supporters in the Offering Collection App. By God's grace, 341 PG / SCAN groups in Tamil Nadu have started using this Mobile App so far. We have encouraging reports from

these App users and the members of these Prayer Groups receive their receipt promptly. However, I am a bit concerned about the pace of enrolling our supporters – only little more than 6600 people have been enrolled. I request all the Prayer Group Leaders and their concerned Mobilization Secretaries to hasten the process for the glory of our Lord Jesus. We have also added a facility in the Mobile App for donors who send offerings directly to FMPB to provide details of their donation."

National Institute of Missions programs:

At present our missionary training centre (NIM) in Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh is having 7 missionary candidates undergoing the training and will go to the mission field in September 2021. Another batch of 23 candidates will join NIM for a 10 month training program in August beginning. There was a missionary interview in July also at Chennai. Please pray for all the missionary trainees that they may be equipped to face the challenges in the mission fields and filled with the burden of souls.

Starting prayer meetings in person:

On 13th of July I attended a prayer group leaders meeting in Chennai. I was thrilled to meet the Prayer group leaders with family in person after a long time of corona lockdown and related restrictions. I praise God for our prayer group leaders'

unquenched enthusiasm in serving the Lord by mobilising prayers and financial support for the ministry of FMPB. After conducting meetings in virtual platforms for a long time, now is the time to conduct the meetings in person to strengthen the fellowship and sharpen the vision of our supporters.

Basti day:

Our first missionary to North India Rev. Hilkiah and family set their feet on the soil of the first north Indian mission field Basti in Uttar Pradesh on 23rd July 1971. We have completed 50 years of ministry in North India on 23rd July 2021. This humble beginning has been blessed by the Lord by expanding the ministry from one field in 1971 to 347 fields in 2021. Glory to Him alone.

Pray for the grieving families:

This month I visited some of the families who lost their dear ones in the second wave of Covid'19. Those families need our prayers regularly. All of us may pray continuously before the throne of grace for the surviving members.

Our prayers remain for all of you.

Your fellow sojourner in God's Mission



Rev. S. John Berlin

Turn to God and Build New India!

**“O Land, Land, Land,
Hear the word of the Lord”
(Jer. 22.29).**



The birth of the month of August brings to our memory of our nation's Independence Day. A lot of thoughts of our leaders, soldiers and civilians who struggled hard for the independence cloud our mind. 73 long years have rolled by since we received independence. We are proud of our nation and our leaders who made India into a secular state.

Though our nation is celebrating 75th Independence Day, our nation is lagging behind in various things. Poverty could not be eradicated. The democratic values, the freedom of the democratic institutions and the rights of the common man and woman are now at stake. Every day we read in the news papers and hear in the media about corruption, murders, rape, suicide, oppression, hunger, addiction, terrorism, fundamentalism, and attack on minorities. Let us see in the light of the Scriptures what the Lord expects from us and refer to history how the nations have been blessed by God when they turned to him.

Jehoiakim, the king of Judah (II Kings 23.34) neither had regard for justice and righteousness, nor had any concern for the poor and needy and had shed innocent blood. He used forced labour to build his palace and paid the workers nothing. Therefore, he was deposed and taken to Babylon. Jehoiachin, his son succeeded his father [Jer. 22. 24]. God warns him and the people of Jerusalem to turn to him, saying O! Land, Land, Land, Hear the Word of God.” In the same way, God calls today the nation of India to turn to him. When human beings turn to God there is fullness of life and joy, fullness of love and peace. That will give birth to a NEW INDIA.

I. Righteousness exalts a NATION (Pro. 14.34)

God cannot bless the nation which is defiled by various sins and wickedness. But when the people of a nation turn from their evil ways and sins, the Lord blesses the nation. The Lord sent Jonah to preach the judgment of God to the people of Nineveh. Then the people of Nineveh heard the preaching of Jonah, *So they believed God and proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest of them even to the least of them.* [Jon. 3.5]

The king also arose from his throne and was covered with sackcloth and sat on ashes. They repented and turned to God, so God relented from punishing the city. Thus, Nineveh became a NEW Nineveh. When India turns to Lord, then it will become a New India. When a heart is converted, everything turns topsy turvy. That is why God says, "Rend your heart, and not your garments and turn to the Lord" [Joel. 2.13].

The holy life of the early first century Christians attracted the society and the kings. The world could see a new way of life in Christ in them. The kings and rulers were astonished at the way of life filled with purity, love and courage of the first century Christians. Today God calls us to live this new life.

II. The king by judgement establishes the land (Pro. 29.4):

It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness [Pro. 16.12]. To rule a nation, the leaders of the nation need wisdom. Wisdom comes from God. When the leader rules the nation with wisdom and righteousness, the nation is blessed. Solomon was young when he became the king of Israel. He asked God to give him wisdom to rule the nation of Israel. God granted his request [I Kings. 3. 5 - 14]. The reign of Solomon transformed the nation into a new nation - spiritually, socially, economically, commercially and so on. On the day of dedication of the new temple, he stood on his knees and spread his hand towards heaven and prayed to

God to bless the nation and the temple [I Kings. 8.22 - 54]. God also heard his prayer and promised to be with him and be in the temple to bless the people [I Kings 9. 3]. God established Solomon's throne and blessed the nation of Israel. A new golden era began. His regime was marked by spectacular growth in all spheres.

Abraham Lincoln dreamt of America to be a nation devoid of slavery. The Negros were treated like animals. He was a president who prayed early every morning. God strengthened him to reform the nation of America. He created a new America devoid of slavery system. He says in his speech at Gettysburg of the abolition of slavery as "**a new birth of freedom**".

Queen Victoria of England feared God and walked righteous before the Lord. She honoured the Word of God. She walked in the ways of the Lord. Victorian Age was noted for the piety of the Christians. Church attendance on Sundays was very important. History says that in every house the discussion on the Sunday sermon was a common practice. God blessed England. The British ruled the whole world. They gave the principles of democracy to the world. No wonder. A lot of missionaries rose up from England and Scotland and went around the world and built God's kingdom.

III. When praying people multiply in a nation, the nation blooms:

When I heard these words, I sat down and wept, and mourned for certain days

and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven" [Neh. 1. 4]. When praying people multiply in a nation, the nation blooms into a new nation even if the nation may be on the brink of destruction. God changes the destiny of the nation. God punished the Israel nation by sending them into exile to Babylon. The walls of Jerusalem were broken down and the people in captivity were in great affliction. When Nehemiah who was a cupbearer in the palace of Artaxerxes heard of the demolition of the walls and the affliction of the people in captivity, he wept, cried out and prayed with fasting for several days [Neh. 1. 4]. He ventured to rebuild the nation. Nehemiah swung into action. He rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem, reformed the bad systems that crept into the society and temple, resettled the people, reinstated the law and restored the worship in the temple. A NEW Jerusalem came into being to the glory of God.

Philip Jacob Spencer, (1635 - 1705) a college professor started prayer groups throughout Germany that ignited revival in the Churches in Germany. The people in the prayer groups preached in the Churches about repentance, holiness, and emphasized the need of preaching the Gospel to the people who had never heard before. As a result Ziegenbalg and Plutschau, the two young Germans were sent out as missionaries to India. A new era of mission - The First Protestant Mission - came into existence. Through the efforts of Ziegenbalg the first school for women was started. The first printing press was started. Thus education awakened Indians from superstitions and various enslavement of poverty, bonded

labour, child marriage, sati, illiteracy and so on.

Pandita Ramabai (1858 - 1922) a Brahmin widow received a new life. Christ Jesus became a pioneer in the education and emancipation of women in India and a social reformer. Since she had received the new life of Christ she lit the light of hope and courage in the lives of innumerable widows who were despised by the society and religion and encouraged them for women empowerment.

Yes, by executing righteousness the nations have progressed towards new heights of civilization, science, and technology etc. Moral standards of the people have improved a lot. The righteous national leaders and men and women of God have reformed the societies and nations to turn away from the wrong ways. They have turned the course of the nation towards the newness of life.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ in India has liberated people from social, moral, religious and other evil bondages. People have been set free from sin, sickness, superstition, illiteracy, ignorance, bonded labour, child marriage, exploitation of women, caste system, oppression and other evil practice like untouchability etc. The Gospel of Christ not merely saves people from sin but it enlightens and builds them socially, economically, intellectually, and spiritually by giving them education and their basic needs of life. As builders of NEW India, let us repent from wickedness, have fear of God, pray to see India turn into Nava Bharat.

- Rev. David Raja Singh

FMPB - Mobilization Ministry, Gujarat



MIGRANT MINISTRY

- A New Mile Stone!

In India, there are approximately 6 crores of inter-state migrant labourers living in despicable conditions. In Tamil Nadu, there are about 15 Lakhs migrants and about 5 Lakhs of them are living in Chennai alone. Despite contributing 10 percent of India's GDP, these workers are socially, politically and spiritually disinherited. Migrant workers are generally employed in the informal sector, doing unskilled jobs in textiles, manufacturing, construction, hotel, transportation etc or in domestic work. Migrants start working at an early age, spending their days at worksites and return to the perilous shelters in the slums where they share small rooms with 5-6 other inmates. Mostly they are exploited by the middlemen who are in contact with them in terms of their work. They are politically invisible to urban planners because they are not enfranchised in the area where they work. They are often denied basic entitlements including access to subsidized food ration, housing, drinking water, public health facilities, education and banking services. They often work in poor conditions lacking social security and legal protection.

When our Union Government imposed national lockdown in March 2020 to contain the spread of COVID-19, millions

of Indian migrants struggled as factories closed down. They lost jobs and were desperate to return home in that uncertain time. With no food, water or public transportation, they commuted hundreds of kilometres on foot-dying of hunger and exhaustion, suicide, road and rail accidents, police brutality, and denial of timely medical care along the way.

Welcoming a stranger is an important Biblical virtue for Christians. Every human being has inalienable rights, so caring for migrants is a significant mission of the people of God today. Moreover, we, the people of God, should never forget the fact that we are called "as aliens and strangers" (1.Pet. 2:11) in this world. Sojourners could be the best description of our lives on the earth.

Migrants in the Bible

Christianity even draws its foundational doctrines significantly from a history that has a clear thread with migration. It is in Genesis 3 where the original migration of mankind happened as a result of Adam's rebellion against God and was expelled from the Garden of Eden (Gn. 3:1-24). In their expulsion from Eden, Adam and Eve migrated into another land as a result of God's judgement.

However, in reversing the Adamic migration by recreating a new person for Himself, God called Abraham to leave his home in order to inherit the promised land of Canaan (Gn. 12:1-3). This shows us that for God's large Salvific purposes, Abraham migrated to dwell in foreign lands which God wanted to give to him and his descendants (Gn. 12) as a promised blessing. In this way, the notion of Adam and Abraham's migration is juxtaposed. On one hand, Adam's migration was in the form of punishment and destruction, whereas on the other hand, Abraham's migration was particular and universal in nature as a blessing. The speciality of Abraham's migration was a kind of receiving particular blessings for him and his descendants, while the universal aspect of his migration lies in bringing people back to eternal fellowship with God.

The commandments that God gave the Israelites when they entered the Promised Land made reference to the foreigners living in their midst. Having once been foreigners themselves in Egypt, they were to treat the foreigners with nothing less than the greatest love.

"When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the Lord your God."
(Leviticus 19:33-34)

The plight of these foreigners-many of whom were working in Israeliite households-reminds us of the migrant workers today. And the call to "love them as yourselves" reminds us of Jesus' second commandment to us: "Love your neighbour as yourself" (Matthew 22:39).

FMPB Ministry among Migrants



Humble Beginning

God gave the burden of reaching the migrants in South India in the year 2005 to our missionaries Rev. Devadass & his wife Mrs. Asnath Devadoss while sharing the Gospel to the migrants on their travel to Chennai by train. After hearing the Gospel many migrants even asked their address for further contact. They visited them the next day and there were 60 people to whom they were able to share the Gospel. God spoke to them through two verses when they were praying for the North Indian Migrants. They are -

Phil.2:13 - for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfil his good purpose.

Isa. 49:19,20 - "Though you were ruined and made desolate and your land laid waste, now you will be too small for your people, and those who devoured you will be far away. The children born during your bereavement will yet say in your hearing, 'This place is too small for us; give us more space to live in.'

In response to God's call, our missionaries started the ministry at first among the migrants in Thirumudivakkam, Chennai. Mr. Malik Karmakar was our first believer who accepted Christ during their first evening meeting and confessed his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ on Oct 3, 2011. Through him we got the opening to reach many of his migrant friends and families. As a result three of his friends also

confessed their faith in the Lord in March, 2012. Then we started the first Christmas service for the migrants in their house in which 15 migrants participated.



Sandhya Worship

On 27th August, 2012 we conducted a program for the Hindi speaking community. The guest singer was Mr. Anil Kant, who is a very famous Christian singer. Through this program we were able to reach out approximately 1,200 migrants. That was a breakthrough for their ministry. Similarly in the year 2014, we conducted another program for the Hindi speaking community. The guest singer was Mr. Vijay Benedict. This also helped us reach a lot of Hindi speaking people. We work among the migrants who live in Manali, Redhills, Katrambakkam, Thandalam, Ayanambakkam, Kolathur, Guindy, Athipattu and Korattur of Chennai and conduct worship services for them.

After the Sunday worship in Hindi, the volunteers conduct separate worship in different languages such as Oriya, Assamese, Bengali and Bhojpuri. We conduct seekers' meetings, cottage prayer meetings, teaching and training programs.

Through a training program called TAFTEE, 14 people are ready to become evangelists and have started doing evangelism. More than 23 persons are in training currently. On June 9, 2019 (Periyamalai Day) we had distributed 110,000 Hindi Gospel literatures across Tamil Nadu through volunteers supporting our ministry.

Blessings of Migrant Ministry



Outreach Team

Through our ministry among the migrants, many drunkards God delivered from the habit of drinking alcohol, many from the possession of evil spirits. Many migrant families started sending their kids to schools and many youngsters have been able to build their career. First Christian Marriage for our migrant believers were conducted in 2017.

Almost thousand migrants are with us and currently worship is being conducted for them in 10 places. Hundreds of migrants have accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ so far 191 persons confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The people who accepted Jesus Christ are sharing the Word of God in their villages after going back to their respective states and they are in constant touch with us. And three of them have even donated their lands to build a Church in Purulia in Bengal, Lakisari in Bihar, and Sirsai in Assam.



Trained volunteers for outreach ministry



Care and Concern

Moreover, we give educational support to the children of migrants through St. John's School, Manali. During the lockdown 2020, we were able to supply 180 packets of groceries to the families in Pallikaranai, 100 packets to families in Thandalam and 150 packets to families in Thiruvotriyur. We also involved in flood relief work during 2015 Chennai floods and respond to similar crises in the consecutive years.

Vision & Goal

God willing, we would like to expand our ministry to 25 locations to conduct services before 2022 March. After April, 2022 we want to send the people who have trained for ministry to other Districts of Tamil Nadu. After this, we want to send people to the four states in South India as well.

Migrant Believers

One more concern and challenge is that a good number of our believers in many mission fields across the nation, become migrants nowadays. As there are no proper earnings in their own places, in order to manage their livelihood they travel to the nearby states. It creates a lot of challenges to their spiritual life, as they may not have a proper spiritual fellowships and spiritual gatherings in their work spots. As a result, there is a possibility of some of our believers give up their personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ and may return to their old evil practices. They are vulnerable in their spiritual life in many ways. So, we need to pray for this special concern.

Please join us, in praying...

- That the Holy Spirit to open the hearts and minds to receive His grace and love

and know that Jesus is Christ, who came to seek and save the lost.

- That our migrant friends may experience God's love even in their isolation, and receive His comfort and strength.
- That we may find creative ways to minister to them and share the message of hope in Christ, and that these efforts will be fruitful.
- That the Churches around them to identify these people and to come forward to help them.
- That they may be brought together in a larger level for an Annual Convention that may create a sense of belonging to them.
- That many North Indian language speaking volunteers to join with us in the extension of this ministry.
- That their children to get an opportunities to study to come up in social life.
- That their medical needs to be taken off without any hindrance.
- That the ministry for migrants to spread across Tamil Nadu and our nation also.
- That the migrant believers to keep their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ in their work spot.
- That the migrant believers who go back to their respective places to stand firm in their faith and lead a witnessing life.
- That the migrant believers to find out resources for their livelihood in their own respective state itself.

- *Inputs: Rev. Devadass,
FMPB Migrant Ministry*



FAMILY BENEVOLENT FUND (FBF) NEED FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

I have received full payment and have more than enough...They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. (Phil.4:18)

With much grateful hearts we thank each of you for your prayers and support in meeting the needs of our missionaries. May God bless you abundantly for meeting the medical needs of our missionaries during the pandemic period. We hereby would like to share with you about one more concern of providing Family Benevolent Fund [FBF] to our missionaries.

We already have a scheme of Family Benevolent Fund in FMPB to which we save Rs.50/- from the salary of each missionary. We return this saved amount to the missionaries when they retire from our organization. Until last year,

we used to grant Rs.1,000,00/- to our missionaries who died due to disease or accident during their service. Keeping the present situation and economical inflammation in mind, in the last Executive Committee, it was decided to grant Rs. 2,000,00/- to a missionary family if a missionary would pass away during their service. This grant would be Rs.1,000,00/- for the retired missionary and Rs.50,000/- for the local evangelist.

As on date, 7 missionaries during their service, 2 missionaries after their retirement, one volunteer and 5 local evangelists have passed away due to Covid'19. As we have already settled the saving amount of the retired missionaries, and due to the present situation there is an enormous need to provide the Benevolent Fund to the missionary families who have lost their family members. Therefore, we encourage you to participate in meeting this need. May our Lord richly bless you and reward you for your sacrificial giving.

Moreover, we continuously seek your prayers for the health of our missionaries, especially those who have lost their spouses and children due to Covid'19, so that God would console them and take care of them in the days to come.

If you need more information regarding this, please contact the mobilization secretaries or honorary mobilization secretaries or local prayer group leaders.

- FMPB, Finance Dept.,

Fallen Corn of Wheat!



Rev. Rajan Andrews
(1944 - 2021)

Bro. Rajan Andrews was born on 5th October 1944 to Mr. Chinnaiyan & Mrs. Nagammal in a village called Perundalaiyur, Erode Dt where the LMS missionaries from Australia namely Antony Watson Brough, Herbert Arthur Popley and Ellis worked and established schools and hospitals. Mr. Rajan Andrews studied in this Christian School, where he came to know about Jesus Christ. After finishing his schooling, he worked for 18 years in the Sakthi Sugar Mills, at the nearby town as a machine operator. During that time, Mr. Rajan Andrews came into contact with the Cross Bearer Evangelical Team and was involved in the outreach programs.

One day Mr. Rajan Andrews was spending time with God in prayer at the Bhavani riverbed. He was attracted by some dragonflies. One dragonfly fell into the river and it was noticed by another fly and so it tried many times to save the fallen one from the river and finally succeeded. Both

the flies flew away happily. This incident made a great impact in the life of Mr. Rajan Andrews and God spoke to him through this incident that even a fly tried very much to help another fly to escape from death, why can't you help the people who are perishing without the Gospel. So, Mr. Rajan Andrews obeyed the still small voice of God and committed his life to full time ministry.

On 20th May 1979 he joined FMPB as a missionary. On 20th November 1980 he married Sis. Nirmala. Then they were sent to Bethel Bible Institute for one year missionary training. After completing the training, in 1981 they began their ministry from the first FMPB mission field Periyamalai. God blessed their married life with a son - Mano Samuel and a daughter - Blessy Ranjitham. After the studies Mano Samuel was employed in a private company in South Korea and Blessy finished her CA.

Rev. Rajan Andrews' family served the Lord based at Periyamalai for two and half years and in 1983 they started a new mission field at Perigai. Hundreds of people accepted the Lord, and many Churches were planted in and around this area. Later, God enabled them to build Churches in Panthikuri, Jodi Kolathur, Thimmachatram, Pillakkottai, B.Agragaram, Kalagoundanur, Ariyur, Mantharalli, Pethappampatti, Nambipatti, Sundaikaipatti, Ganapathy Patti, Jadaiyampatti and Thalanattham. Then they did the ministry for 7 years based at Harur and established many congregations. Thus, this couple served the Lord as missionaries for about 30 years in our various mission fields.

Due to old age and prolonged sickness he was promoted to glory on 18th May 2021 at Erode. We thank God for his wonderful life and ministry. Let us uphold the family in our prayers.



Gratified Computerist in God's ministry!

In the year 1974, on April 20th, Bro. G. Ajith Devaraj was born to Mr. P. Gurunath Rajasekaran of Nazareth in Tutticorin District and Mrs. D. Mallika hailing from Mukuperi village as second son. He has two brothers. Right from his childhood, he was brought up in Biblical values.

Bro. G. Ajith Devaraj

(1974 - 2021)

his father donated one of his kidneys to him on March 17th 1998. To fulfil his parents' desire, Bro. Ajith joined FMPB in 1999 as a volunteer in the computer department in HQ.

In the year 2004, on January 19th he held the hands of Sis. Gladlin Golda in marriage. She was born on March 24th 1976 as the only daughter of Mr. A.C. Solomon & Mrs. Irene living in Tutticorin district. Being brought up with the values of Spirit filled Christian life, she was involved in FMPB Youth Wing and Evangelical Union ministries and led so many children to Christ Jesus through the Sunday School classes which she started in her house. She earned an M.C.A. degree and joined Vishwavani Organisation as a full-time administrative staff in the year 2000, even before her marriage.

God blessed them with two daughters Ida & Ecclesia. When the kidney which was donated by Bro. Ajith's father became dysfunctional, Mrs. Golda, his wife offered her kidney to her husband Mr. Ajith in the year 2012. God led Bro. Ajith in a wonderful and miraculous way.

Bro. Ajith's contribution in the Computer Department of FMPB Headquarters is exemplary and par excellence. In fact, he was the one who handled all the computer programs of the day today affairs of our ministry at large. He gave his best in order to speed up all the communication works of our ministry without any delay. Whatever we ask him, he does it with a smile, without saying 'no' to anyone. His in-depth knowledge in the field of computers, deep commitment, patience, love and sacrifice were fully exhibited in his day today ministerial activities. He was loved, admired and respected by all who work in our H.Q.

Last May 2021, he was admitted in MIOT Hospital as he was infected with Covid'19 Virus. He was treated in the ICU for 22 days. On 14th June at 8.30 am, he breathed his last and finished his race in this world. Let us pray for his family - wife Golda and daughters Ida & Ecclesia studying in XII & X standards respectively.

Bro. Ajith has carved his name on our hearts and not just on tombstone alone by revealing all the Fruit of the Spirit throughout his life among us. We praise God for his life well - lived.

Missionary Biography



MRS. SUSEELA PATRICK JOSHUA (1940-1994)

Rev. Arthur Margoschis an European Missionary came to India in 1875 and settled down in a village called Sanpathur which was later christened as Nazareth. He proclaimed the Good News in and around Nazareth and established a few educational institutions. Mr. Sagayam, born in Nazareth studied in Margoschis High school and landed in a job with the co-operative Department. He married sister Nallammal of Virudhunagar who was a teacher by profession. The couple was blessed with three children namely, Thomson, Suseela and Wilson.

Daughter Suseela studied in Thangammal Periyasamy Government High School in Virudhunagar. In those days, girls were not allowed to pursue higher studies. But Suseela's parents got their daughter

admitted in Sarah Tucker College, Palayamkottai. After graduation she joined Christopher's training college and successfully completed her B.T degree by God's grace. Suseela was appointed as a Teacher in Sarah Tucker Higher School, Palayamkottai.

Salvation: The teaching faculty of Sarah Tucker College was spiritually deep-rooted in faith and they had guided many students to Jesus Christ. Such guided students led witnessing lives both in Churches and among their families. Though Suseela was a Christian, she had no idea of whether her name was written in the Book of Life nor was she assured of her salvation. She regularly attended college chapel and participated in spiritual meetings. At this juncture, Mrs. Daisy Paul, one of the lecturers of Sarah Tucker College, conducted a Prayer group in which Suseela attended. Her participation in the prayer group gave her assurance as a follower of Jesus Christ and slowly but steadily her faith in Jesus Christ grew deeper and stronger.

Marriage: Bro. Patrick Joshua is the son of Mr. Masilamani and Mrs. Parimalam from Idaiyangudi. He completed his graduation from St. John's College, Palayamkottai and post-graduation from Madras Christians College, Tambaram, Chennai. Since he had accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour in his youth, he ministered through reunion fellowship among students during his college studies. While studying in St. John's College, the youths in the college used to assemble in groups and pray. It was the time of missionary awakening in

Tamil Nadu and the missionary activities were picking up momentum. Youths got involved in the activities of Friends Missionary Prayer Band. Bro. Patrick Joshua's mother was a prayer warrior and hence, it was no surprise for the son to inculcate the qualities from his mother. After post graduation, Patrick Joshua joined Life Insurance Corporation of India at the managerial level. Patrick Joshua's younger sister Anbu worked as a teacher along with Suseela in Sarah Tucker High School. Anbu suggested to her parents about Susheela as the suitable partner for Patrick. After the formalities, Patrick Joshua and Suseela were united in Holy Matrimony in Virudhunagar church on 18.11.1964.

Ministry with FMPB: Mr. Patrick Joshua was working with LIC in Kadambur as Area Development Officer. After marriage, the couple moved to a house in Kadambur. Joshua worked as a Catechist in a church at Sivalingapuram near Kadambur. Later Joshua was promoted as Manager and transferred to Kovilpatti. Mrs. Suseela, as a homemaker, looked after the family while the couple was residing in Kadambur; God blessed the couple with the first-son on 23.11.1965. He was christened as Shalom Devabalan. The second son Jim Elliot was born on 23.03.1967, third daughter Sabeena Monica on 10.01.1968 and the last son Franco was born on 10.08.1971. The family was committed to prayer and meditated on the Word of God. Mrs. Suseela spent most of the time nurturing the children on Christian faith. From 1966 onwards, Patrick Joshua worked as the Honorary Treasurer of FMPB. Joshua was

transferred to Veerapandianpattinam and hence the family too moved to that place. The office of finance of FMPB functioned from their home. Mr. John Kirubakaran worked as Assistant in that office. Later, Mr. Asirvatham and Mr. Chellappa joined them. Thus, a small office of FMPB became functional in Veerapandianpattinam.

The parents decided that their children should know more about Jesus Christ and so they started a Sunday school in their house and the nearby children were invited to attend Sunday school. Mr. Robert Simon conducted children's classes and the children of Patrick & Suseela accepted the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Call towards Full Time Ministry:

In 1978, due to the expansion in the Ministry of FMPB, Patrick Joshua was requested to take up the mantle of full time work of General Secretary. Both Patrick and Suseela prayed and as a result, Joshua resigned his job from LIC and was installed as the General Secretary of FMPB on 01.01.1978 risking the future of children and their educational needs and family necessities. The family laid their faith only on Jesus Christ and moved forward. Patrick donated his Provident Fund amount of one lakhs rupees to meet the urgent needs of FMPB. He sold his car. He donated the amount along with his savings to make both ends meet in FMPB. The amount received from FMPB as salary was very little compared with what he had received from LIC. Hence Mrs. Suseela had to reduce the expenses in the family budget under the

financial constraints. They lived happily and imparted the same values to their children. As per the constitution of FMPB, there was no difference in the salary offered to the missionaries, be it the General Secretary or other office staff.

Ministry among Women: In order to encourage the women on missionary activities, Mrs. Suseela invited a group of women for prayer at the residence of Mrs. Lily Reuben in Ayanavaram. Besides the prayers, the group used to visit hospitals and prayed for the patients. Bible studies on second Tuesday, fasting prayers on third Tuesday and house visit on fourth Tuesday were undertaken by the women prayer group. Women missionaries were not paid salaries. They were given a small amount of honorarium as spouses of the missionaries.

Last Days: In September 1993, Suseela was diagnosed with cancer in the stomach. It was a great shock to the family. She was taken to Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore and treatment was started. Mrs. Suseela with a smile on her face, in spite of severe pain, spoke encouraging words to those who visited her. During the final days, the family moved to Kumaran Nagar, Chennai. Her unquenched thirst was that a Church should be constructed and Kumaran Nagar should become land of KUMAARAN NAGAR (Land of Son-Jesus). On 16.03.1994, Mrs. Suseela received her Final Call from God.

Let us praise and thank God for enabling Mrs. Suseela to complete the Race successfully.

- *Rev. Dr. E. Rajan*

Borewells for the needy people of India



We praise God for our Overseas supporters, who sacrificially donated towards meeting the expenses of digging the bore wells in the needy remote places of our country, India. By the abundant grace of God, 30 bore wells were dug with an average cost of Rs. 70,000/- each in 5 states of India. [6 borewells in Jharkhand, 5 in Madhya Pradesh, 2 in Uttar Pradesh, 3 in Andhra Pradesh and 14 in Odisha].

We gratefully acknowledge the generous support of Mr Philip and Mr Nathan and their families. We pray that God's abundant grace may rest up on the sponsors and bless them richly in all their endeavours. We are thankful for the efforts of Mr. Samuel IN facilitating the successful execution of this project.

May the borewells be used for the blessing of the deprived people in the remote corners of India, who are in dire need of safe drinking water.

- FMPB, Overseas Desk



'CHURCH DEDICATION ALONG WITH MISSIONARY COMMISSIONING SERVICE'



The Pita Church congregation greeted them with cultural dance and showering of flowers. The Bishop of the Trichy Tanjore Diocese prayed and the Church tablet was opened by Ps. Albert Maharaja in Trichy. Rt. Rev. Dr. D. Chandrasekaran declared the Church open.

Rev. Mahendrabhai, the presbyter of the Pita Church said the opening prayer. The Church dedication service was commenced with the lighting of candles according to the Gujarati culture. Rt. Rev. Dr. D. Chandrasekaran shared the Word of God. A missionary at Mathwad in Madhya Pradesh, Bro. Mangol Kisku was dedicated by Rt. Rev. Dr. D. Chandrasekaran as a missionary sponsored by Pita congregation.

The Gujarati edition of a video on introducing the SCAN ministry also was blessed by the Bishop and screened. The occasion was graced by the field leaders, missionaries in Western Zone and the mobilization leader's family of Gujarat along with a team of SCAN leader, supporters and donors from Trichy. The congregation commemorated the missionaries who brought the good news. The fellowship meal was served.

FMPB and the believers in Pita are thankful to the good will and support of the leaders and members of Trichy & Tanjore Diocese for their visit and their contribution in building this church. All glory and praises to the Lord!





Happy Birthday

Mrs. Madhura Shanti Ramya Raju
Mr. Manjya Naik, Mr. Raja B
Mrs. Florence Doujapao
Mrs. Jebarani Ebenezer Sam
Mr. Krupa Rakshana Barre

Jammu

R.S. Pura & Akhnoor:

David Ayyanar & Manpreet Kaur

Praise: Two families from Agra Chak newly attended our worship service and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to conduct all the programs like training, evening meetings, outreach and follow-up programs without any problem. God healed our believer Santhosi Devi and her family of Kullian village from Covid'19 symptoms and Ramesh Chand, the father of our evangelist Pancham Bairwa from Covid'19. God delivered Pinky of Agra Chak from the possession of evil spirits. God healed Khulsan of Chinnore from eye problem and Janvi of Kadarpur from paralysis. Bajrang of Kadiyal village gave up his habit of drinking alcohol.

Pray: For a proper place to conduct worship in R.S. Pura area. For the healing of Chandra Kala of Agra Chak from piles, Suman and Sunita from TB, Himansu from eye problem and Sania of Chinnor from skin allergy. For our believers Sanjay from Badyal and Chandra Kala, Revathi from Agra Chak to get suitable life partners. For the backslidden believers to be restored in faith.

Himachal Pradesh

Thanedhar: Vumbiaklal & Nian Khan Man

Praise: A village was newly reached with the Gospel. Reeta Devi and her family, Ramesh and Urmila show interest in the Gospel. God healed Binod and Muskan from Covid'19. Our believers got the best price from their cultivation of Cherry.

Pray: For the open door for the Gospel in Kumarsain Tehsil where Pandits and Babas reside. For the deliverance of Niru and Durai Devi who suffer from various illnesses due to the possession of evil spirits. For the healing of Radha who fell down from a tree and got multiple disk prolepses. For the need of manpower for the successful development of our ministry.

AUGUST

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Monday

Happy Birthday

Mr. Thawng Khan Kap
Miss. Kumare Bharati Mahadev

Anni: Gin Sawm & Ching Hoih Kim

Praise: A village was newly reached with the Gospel. God solved the land dispute of our believer Sunita through prayer. God healed Taru from various illnesses.

Pray: For permission to be granted to worship at Neethar village. For all the needs to be met for our believer Neer Chant who is going through heart surgery. For our believer Bobby to be blessed with a baby.

Punjab

Budhlada:

Sanjib Anand & Prastuta

Praise: Two persons came under the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God healed Binder Kour, Krishna Singh and Santhosh Kour from Covid'19 symptoms and Rajender Singh and Jaspreet from chronic stress and tension. Renovation work of the bathroom and toilet were successfully completed in the Budhlada Church.

Pray: For evangelists to be placed in Moonak and Talwadi sub-centre areas for the extension of our ministry. For our believers Ramandeep Kour, Amandeep Kour, Muskan Kour, Subhrasmita and Manisha to be blessed with children. Our young believers Rakesh, Jaspreet, Mona, Neeraj and Rajni to get suitable life partners. For the seekers Rajinder, Krishna, Dhamedra from Moonak to be delivered from the addiction to alcohol. For the development of our ministry in Ralli, Kalipur, Phapde, Kanakwal, Budwal and Sirsiwal villages. For the young believers to come forward to join the outreach ministry.



An Accident Led to Accept Jesus!

In Gujarat at Satpura mission field, a person called Bharat from Kambla village, who although knew about Jesus Christ for four years, did not accept Him as his personal Lord and Saviour. Our missionaries kept on telling the Gospel to him and he just procrastinating to decide to follow Jesus Christ. One day while returning from market, he had a fall and got injuries and became dumb completely. Then he called our missionaries to pray for him. God answered their prayers and he was completely healed and confessed his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.



AUGUST

3

Tuesday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Kalpana Mallick Paplu

Bathinda & Barnala: Krupa Rakshana Barre & Shakena

Praise: Eight persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God enabled us to conduct all the meetings and worships without any hindrance throughout the month. God healed Rampreet Kour of Rampura village and the mother of our Church elder Angrej Kour of Maur village from chest pain, Thanu from head injury, Rekha Kour and her daughter Pari of Maur Mandi village from anaemia. Our young believer Amandeep Kour of Maur Maundi village completed her 10th Std successfully. Our believer Rajender Singh got back his job although he was not able to attend for the past few days.

Pray: For the healing of Bittu Singh of Rampura from fits, Santhosh Kour from cancer and Goldee Singh of Balianwali village from skin allergy. For the deliverance of Kela Singh of Pirkot village from addiction to alcohol. For our believers Babbu Singh, Jaat Singh, Majbi Singh, Lakhi Singh and Raja Singh to get suitable life partners. For the

deliverance of Reethu from court case due to false allegation.

Sangrur: Hamom Naba Singh & Dulanti Reang

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God enabled us to resume worship services in all the congregations after the lockdown. God healed Vakil from piles and Akbahi from breathing problems. Our evangelists got Covid'19 vaccination due to the scarcity of vaccine.

Pray: For the believers who suffer from dehydration due to extreme heat and irregular power supply. For the healing of Harjot Kaur from depression and Komal from TB. For the salvation of Paro and for the deliverance of Deepak from addiction to alcohol. For the peace to prevail in the family of Soma.



Muted Voice Restored!

In Maharashtra, at Jimmalagatta mission field, our believer Suresh Madavi and Swapnabai from Perkabatti village are blessed with a baby girl. One day at night the child was crying severely and her parents were afraid and worried a lot and all of sudden the baby lost her voice too. The parents got scared and made a phone call and requested the missionaries to pray. God healed the child and in the very next morning they brought the child along with them to the missionary's house and shared the testimony. Praise be to God.



AUGUST

4

Wednesday

Fasting
Prayer Day

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Mangaiyarkarasi Benjamin
Mrs. Suvila Gnanappu Daniel

Ahmadgarh Mandi: Chaudhary Rajesh & Sarita Paul

Praise: Charanjit Kaur and Satya Devi families of Mansura village are newly attending our worship service. God blessed Vicki Singh family with a child. Our believer Sonu Kaur got suitable life partner. Our believers Gagan Kaur and Sony Mandhir got jobs at Ludhiana. Peace prevails in the family of Vidya Devi of Sukhdev Nagar.

Pray: For the deliverance of our seekers Nitu Rani Kaur and Nega of Jageda Road, Sarbjit Kaur from Channa and Mandeep Kaur from Taller from the possession of evil spirits. For the healing of Satyadevi Kaur of Mansura village from cancer, Charanjit Kaur of Mansura village from mouth cancer and Deepak of Manna from kidney problem.

Mansa: Debrato Biswas & Manna Singh

Praise: Six persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ from Jhunir Sub-centre and three families joined our worship at

Mansa and Jhunir Sub-centre. God enabled us to conduct the wedding of our believer Gurjeet Singh in Christian way without any hindrance. God healed Kulvinder Kaur from eye infection.

Pray: For the healing of our new seeker Rachana Kaur from some serious illness as she attends our worship service with faith in God. Our new believer Amarjit Kaur family to be blessed with a child. For the land dispute of Khai congregation to be amicably settled soon. For the blessing of the wedding of our believer Sandeep Singh of Danewala Road. For the safe confinement of the wife of our missionary Manna Singh.



Poisonous Mushrooms Yet No Harm!

In Chhattisgarh, at Gharghoda mission field, our missionaries conducted bhajan at Puthibali village throughout the night in a house and many were blessed by the program. After bhajan, the family members who hosted the guests unknowingly ate poisonous mushroom curry and slept. At midnight they started vomiting and felt uneasy. Our missionaries prayed for them and God protected their lives from the verge of death. All the villagers were amazed about the power of God as they were aware of the dangers of eating the poisonous mushroom. Glory to God.



AUGUST

5

Thursday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Jyotsna Devi Prasanth
Mrs. Meshram Kalpana Valvi Netaji

Lehragaga: Issac Abel & Anna Roslin

Praise: God delivered Manju from the possession of evil spirits. God protected Sewak Singh from electric shock. All the family members of Major Singh of Kotra Village attend the worship service regularly. Preeti, the one who opposes her family members for attending the worship now repented and started praying to God for peace and salvation. Our backslidden believer Dilbagg Singh of Biggarwal village came back to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Pray: For the salvation of the people of Jawandhe village where many listened to the Gospel with much enthusiasm. For the healing of Paramjeet Kaur from body swelling. For the spiritual growth of Vicky and family. For the repentance of Najar Singh who although attends our worship with family is not able to give up the habit of drinking alcohol.

Haryana

Jeevan Nagar: Aliyakim Jena & Deepika

Praise: Three persons came under the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God enabled us to conduct prayer and Bible study through conference calls during the lockdown period at Dabwali, Sirsa and Hisar. God healed the father of our evangelist Rajender Singh of Santh Nagar from paralysis and Sukhchain Kour from mental depression. God protected Kamal family of Ottu village from the dust storm. Karishma, wife of our evangelist Navjot Randhawah got safe confinement although she had five miscarriages earlier.

Pray: For the smooth functioning of all our ministerial activities as there are some relaxations in the lockdown. For our believer Sweeta of Dabawali to be blessed with a child. For the healing of Sukhdev of Mini Sector of Sirsa from stomach infection and Shyam Sing of Ottu village from kidney problem.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Sudharani Ravi

Kalanwali:

Vijayakumar & Jebala

Praise: God enabled us to share the Gospel to 120 persons for the first time. All our prayer meetings and worship services were resumed in all the fields after the lockdown. New seekers Barru, Darshan, Manpreet, Tharshem and Jeetu family attend our worship services regularly. God comforted the family of Paramjeet of Jagmalwali village who passed away recently.

Pray: For the salvation of the new seekers who join the worship. For the unity of the believers who have some misunderstanding among themselves. Believers to show interest in Bible study, fasting prayer and other spiritual activities. For the Church construction at Asir village to complete without any hindrance and the believers to actively participate in the construction work.

Tosham: John Davidson

Praise: A person came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God healed Pinki from severe illness, Bansi from asthma, Gulshan from tumour in

the stomach and Santhosh from Covid'19.

Pray: For the protection of all our believers as there is a threat of Delta virus due to the hot weather. For our believer Kavita to get a suitable job. For the healing of Sahil from TB. For the deliverance of Sona of Premnagar from the possession of evil spirit. For the smooth functioning of our ministry due to the new rigid rules imposed in some places due to Covid'19.

Uttarakhand

Maldhanhour:

Shishu Pal & Anita

Praise: Six persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. 3 families from Prajapati background show interest in the Gospel. Our believers of the Bhogpur congregation raised enough local contributions to meet the need of the remaining work of their Church construction. God healed our believer Sheker from Covid'19.

Pray: For the VBS programs to be started as usual this year also. Bible study program to be conducted regularly in all the congregations. For the blessing of the plan of starting ministry among Prajapati and Sindi people groups. For the healing of Jangeer Singh from infection in the blood.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Moses Muralidharan
Mr. Narendra Bahadur

Delhi Patparganj: P.G. Christopher & Mabel

Praise: The Lord helped us to conduct online Sunday worship and Wednesday prayers throughout the month of June. Prayer cells continuously prayed for Delhi over zoom and conference calls. Teens actively participated and interacted in Teens counselling sessions during 3 Saturdays over zoom call. Nisha Balkishor fully recovered from Covid'19 and got a job for her survival. God healed Palraj from Kidney stone problem, Deepa from unknown disease and Dhanalakshmi from bleeding from mouth and nose. Our believer Preeti got a job in Delhi Civil Defence, a para-security force.

Pray: For the consolation of Thangamma who lost her elder son. For the backslidden believers Rohan, Rithika, Banwarilal, Saroja, Ramsingh, Mamta, Asha, Neha and Renu to be restored back to faith. For placing an evangelist in urban areas of our National Capital. For the

healing of Rani, Elizabeth and Deepa from TB, Kuldeep from kidney stone problem, Archana of Kalyanpuri from lupus disease and Ramavati, Subbodh and Vijaya from paralysis. For the salvation of Sankar – Rajeshwari as they show interest in the Gospel.

Rajasthan

Sri Ganga Nagar: V. Kumar & Patricia Tamil Selvi

Praise: A village was newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled our believer Subash to open a vegetable shop for his livelihood. Sukhpreet, a young believer from 5h area, came forward to support our ministry voluntarily. God blessed our believer Amandeep of Lohara with a baby. Our believer Bhajan Singh bought a tempo for his business. Our new seeker Shalee from Gurusar 2W grows in the Word of God and spiritual life.

Pray: For the blessing of VBS programs in 5 villages for the first time. For the healing of Gurmeet Singh from piles and Sandeep Singh from ulcer. For the deliverance of Harpreet Kour of Dalveerkeda village from the possession of evil spirit. Our young believers Meena and Reena of Gurusar 2W to get suitable life partners.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Andrews Jawahar

Mrs. Hepsibah Andrews

Mrs. Mahala Shilaben Pahujiyabhai

Miss. Vinothini

Alwar Home:

Bangaru Naidu Karri & Eemandi Anuradha

Praise: Ten persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ from the Raisikh community of Batkhol Village. The believers of Raisikh community are actively involved in our ministry in many ways, especially Kalubas, Kousalya, Sundari, Jyoti, Poonam and Omprakash families are actively participating in the outreach ministry. Our believer got conceived after 15 years of her married life. Our elders take good initiative to bring many to the fold of Christ. Bible study programs are going on well in Barwada village regularly. God changed the mind of Barwada village people not to drink alcohol. God healed our evangelists Sohan singh, Malkit Singh and Satish Chand from Covid'19.

Pray: For the youngsters and children to show much interest in Bible study programs. For the

salvation of all the 180 persons who newly heard the Gospel. For God's protection to be bestowed on our believers who work for daily wages. For the consolation of Binder who lost her baby right after the delivery. For the healing of Deewan Singh who suffers from chronic body pain. For the revival to take place among the Baniya people group.

Jhunjhunu:

Arulraj Ebenezer & Roselyn

Praise: God blessed the Virtual Bible School conducted by sharing videos through whatsapp. God protected all our believers and missionaries during this pandemic situation. God blessed our new believer Vimalesh with a child.

Pray: For the backslidden believers Deepak and Chandra to be restored in faith. For the healing of Tina from paralysis and Gugan from heart problems. For peace to prevail in the family of Asha and Kamlesh. For the salvation of Susheela, Shambu, Kamal Singh, Sheetal, Kiran, Bhavya's mother and Sandeep's wife. For the blessing of our believer Vijay's new business. For the children of our believers Vanishika, Preeti and Madhusudhan as they prepare for the competitive exams. For the deliverance from the bondage of evil spirits found in and around Jhunjhunu mission field.

AUGUST

9

Monday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Josephin Sheeba

Paota: Satya Prakash & Anjana

Praise: A person from Bhainslana village came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God delivered Netan Devi of Bhainslana village from the possession of evil spirits.

Pray: In need of a land for the Church construction for Bhainslana. For the deliverance of Kavitha of Bhankari village from the possession of evil spirit. For the healing of Reena of Kotputli village from thyroid problem.

Udaipur: Sunilkumar Vasava & Beenakshi

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Elashiben and Ambanviben were delivered from the bondage of evil spirits. God healed Diwaliben and Lilaben from unknown disease and Mohanbhai from chronic leg pain. In Makadadev village many believers were healed from Covid'19. For the new seekers Sureshbhai, Sunderbhai and Kanjiben who newly attend our worship at Makadadev

congregation. The Lord stopped opposition in Karel village.

Pray: God to bless our believer Neerthaben and Jamnalal family with a child. For the repentance of opponents of the Gospel in Bhamty village. For the protection of Thalaivada and Bhamty village where our believers face opposition. For the blessing of God in the plan of starting ministry at Ogna area. For the healing of Hena from kidney problems.

Uttar Pradesh

Rania:

Mongwai Phom & Nisha

Praise: God protected our believers Sakuntala of Nirjanpur village and Shanti Sikender of Pur village from a major accident. God enabled us to start all our ministerial activities after the lockdown. God delivered Sachinkumar of Lata village from the possession of evil spirits. God healed the fracture leg of Jagrop of Herdaipur village.

Pray: For the salvation of Gyam Singh Yadav, Madhu, Ram Snehi and Sunil. For the repentance of Raj Dube who drinks alcohol and behaves irresponsibly in the family matters. For Rajini Sukhla to be blessed with a child.

AUGUST

10

Tuesday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Sanmata Manohar Thane
Mr. Omprakash

Basti:

Pumsonchin & Lunching

Praise: A person came to the faith in Jesus Christ and a village which was newly reached with the Gospel. Although many of our believers were infected with Covid'19, none died. The pandemic situation is slowly coming under control and we have started doing the ministry as usual.

Pray: For the qualitative and quantitative growth of our congregations in Mujhana, Sanzankala, Semariyama and Ramuapur areas. For the deliverance of Ram Anand and his family from the possession of evil spirits.

Bilhour:

Lal Kishor Murmu & Martha Soren

Praise: Eleven persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. God protected Santosh Kumar from a

major accident. God healed the believers of Bilhour and Bisdhan areas from Covid'19 symptoms.

Pray: For the deliverance of Mana from the possession of evil spirit. For the development of ministry in Bilhour field. For the safe confinement of Martha Soren.

Hasaren:

Rajan & Jeba Malar

Praise: Two villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed the field level family gathering and many were richly blessed. God protected Babunata of Jegaruwapur from a major accident. God saved the life of Mukesh of Kanhayepurwa from a tree falling on him due to hurricane.

Pray: For the salvation of Kamtha Prasanth of Binorah village. For the couples Ajithkumar & Reena of Saubajpur, Akhilesh & Rachna of Nausara and Anurag & Sneha of Hasaran to be blessed with children. For the repentance of Ramdas of Harchandpur as he becomes a hindrance to his family members who conduct worship service in their house. For the husband of Madhu of Rehua village to rejoin her soon and peace to prevail in the family. For the blessing of the upcoming VBS programs.

AUGUST

11

Wednesday

Fasting
Prayer Day

Jalaun: Thilak & Emimal

Praise: A village was newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Seethal who has gone through safe confinement. Priyanka got a suitable life partner. Many of our believers enthusiastically participate in the Bible quiz program. Our new believer Rakhi has led another person to the fold of Jesus Christ. The people of Rajpura show interest in the Gospel. Our new seekers Kara, Raniya and Kukargav who show interest in studying the Word of God.

Pray: For the repentance of Rajkumar who disturbs our ministry in many ways. For evangelists to be placed in Niyamatpur and Jalaun. For our former evangelists from misleading the congregation of Jalaun and Bauli. For Divanji to give up his misunderstanding and work with our evangelists whole heartedly.

Pukhrayan:

Santhakumar & Jincy

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. Bible study program is going on regularly in Mungisapur sub-centre. Peace prevails in our

ministry at Pukhrayan field. A few of our young believers of Inguvara and Chalpur areas got married in Christian way.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the congregation in Nandu and Inguvara areas as they study diligently the Word of God. For the evangelist Yathis to do the ministry effectively in the Moosa Nagar congregation. For the completion of Pipri Church compound work and the backslidden believers of this congregation to be restored in faith. For the formation of an elders team in every congregation.



Great Miracle in the Evening Meeting!

In Madhya Pradesh, at Khalwa mission field the power of God was manifested in an evening meeting at Chikhali village. We arranged this meeting for around 100 people but 280 people attended and heard the Word of God with much enthusiasm. The devil tried to cut off the electricity but we used the generator. God touched the hearts of the people and 21 persons immediately confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. We prepared food for only 100 people but God multiplied it and it was sufficient for all the 280 people who attended the meeting. Truly it was a wonderful evening and great fellowship and all the participants felt the manifestation of the power of the Lord in the meeting!



AUGUST

12

Thursday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Jyothi Mary Helen Mamgulta
Mr. Mathiyas Malto

Madhya Pradesh Khalwa: Binit Prasad Bardhan & Amojita Bardhan

Praise: Twenty-one persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ at Chikhali village. Worship meetings have resumed after the pandemic situation in Khalwa, Chikthalai, Garvedi, Mojwadi, Docoche and Logothi villages. God delivered Tukaram of Salidana village from the possession of evil spirits. Lashing of Jhamdhad village gave up the habit of drinking alcohol after prayer and counselling. Amidst lockdown, God opened the door for the Gospel in Chikthalai, Dhama Gulai and Longothi villages and many showed interest in the Gospel. Prayer meetings were started in Dhamagulai and Salidhana villages. God saved the life of Antarsingh of Chikthalai village from appendicitis which burst inside the stomach.

Pray: Worship service to be resumed in Hasanpura, Auliya, Charakeda, Ahmedabad, Jamdhad, Sandalpur, Sedabad, Maidarani-1, and Maidarani-2 villages which

were stopped due to Covid'19. For the safety and security of the believers of Dhama Gulai area where severe opposition is going on. For the deliverance of Puja of Longithi village from the possession of evil spirit. For the healing of Pulakaibai of Garvadi village from swollen leg, Gurubhai from nervousness and Reenabai of Chikalai village from abdomen pain. For the repentance of Nanesingh and Kalarsingh of Salidhana village who oppose our believers.

Nepanagar: Jubaraj Bardhan & Sheeba Jasmin

Praise: Our believer Fatebai had safe confinement and gave birth to twins. The Gospel was proclaimed in Tukaithat and Manoj Takis villages through outreach programs. Our believer Anil from Balaghat village got back his goat which was lost in the jungle. God enabled us to share the Word of God among 50 persons who had gathered for a naming ceremony of a new born baby. Although many of our believers got severe coughs and colds, they were not affected by Covid'19 virus.

Pray: For Vishram family of Tukaithad village who experienced miracle in their life through prayer to be saved. For the healing of Khajiyu of Manojtakis village from severe body pain, Mantribai of Chainpura from uterus problem and Sobharam from chronic back pain.

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Friday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Gnanasekari John David

Mr. Ashok Nayak

Niwali: Channamallappa & Roopa

Praise: Three villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed all the programs conducted throughout the month and many responded to the Gospel. God healed Kushi hurting from the biting of poisonous insects, Nansabhai from kidney stone problem and Riya and Richabhai from eye problem.

Pray: For the Church to be built in Gholyapani village. For the repentance of the persons who disturb our ministry at Kampani village. For starting worship at Niwali and Panwa areas. For the healing of Ramesh and Mamthabai from head and hands ache.

Dhar: Karunakar Garda & Gitanjali Bhera

Praise: Twelve persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 2 villages namely Kaliwaudi and Nimrani were newly reached with the Gospel. God delivered Bhunam Singh from the possession of evil spirits.

Pray: For the deliverance from evil spirits and salvation of the seekers Chamda and Sukdev of Kakarda, Krishna and Sawon of Nimrani villages as they show interest in the Gospel. For the breakthrough among the Khati and Gatia people groups with the Gospel. For the open door for the Gospel in Kalibadi village.

Jharkhand

Amrapada: M. Benhur & Mary Johnsry Rani

Praise: Twenty-six persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. Nagesor Hasda of Amratala village got healing from mental disorder. Mario Church elder David Soren of Danga Pada village was protected from a major bike accident. Rakisal Tudu of Logao village was delivered from the possession of evil spirits.

Pray: For Church elders to be placed in the Padecola congregation. For the believers to get a good harvest amidst heavy rain. For the successful completion of Church construction work at Bordaha and Tati villages. For the healing of Johan Murmu, Sakal Soren, Som Kol and Chuka Soren from epilepsy and Dhani Marandi of Tilaipada village and Jiban Hasda of Tati area from deathbed.

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Saturday

Happy Birthday

Mr. Charles Chellakumar
Mr. Dhrubaraj Bebartha

Ramgarh: Timothy & Muthu Selvi

Praise: Two persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 14 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed this field with good rain for cultivation. Our Church congregations became self-supportive in order to meet the monthly salary of our evangelists.

Pray: For the people to accept Jesus along with their family members so that there won't be any opposition within the family. For the believers who rely on God for their healing to experience miracles. The infectious disease to be stopped so that our believers can come together for worship regularly. For the repentance of Guru and Mahender who is hindering our ministry.

Damni: John Paul Harris & Vimala Daisy

Praise: Four persons from Bedopuro village confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. God healed Michel Malto of Pusrukudia village due to fall from the roof of his house though he had head injury, Vimola Malto of Gadiimako village from mental illness. Vinod Malto of Muteri village who shows interest in the Gospel.

Pray: For the repentance of our believers Devadas Malto of Donigoda village, Sunil Malto, Mathias Malto, Barnabas Malto and Ruben Malto of Kutamu village who show lack of interest in attending Sunday service and avoid fellowship with the fellow believers. For the Sunday service to be held in Sena village regularly. For the backslidden believers namely Ruben Malto and Sulaiman Malto of Chadimako village who have started practicing animistic faith which they had left once to come back to the fold of Christ. For Jokla Malto, Dharma Malto and Parameswar Malto of Dandikudia village who disturb our believers. For the spiritual growth of the new believers of Bedopuro village. For the safety of the believers during this monsoon season as they are involved in cultivation work.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Hepziba Samuel, Mrs. Jhansi Rani Robinson
Mrs. Magdalene Grace Isaac,
Mrs. Dulanti Reang Naba Singh

Malto Youth Ministry: Godwin Kirubagaran & Praba Kamali

Praise: God provided LED portable projector for Malto youth Ministry. God enabled us to reach 359 youth through film programs in Donimargo, Kesotikri, Pattuvadey, Kuttammu, Tata Bhita, Dhangati, Ghadimargo, Bochkudia etc. We got the opportunity to meet 10th Students after lockdown. 30 students gathered for a half a day program on Career Guidance and a session for understanding God's plan for their future. Weekly fellowship conducted 6 times for old students of child day care centres in Bitchakani Pastorate and Padari Pastorate to nurture them as better leaders in their society . Through this approach old students from 5 villages came in contact. And along with other interested believers 58 persons participated in one day retreat program. And they are trying to start new initiatives like tree planting, growing Chickens etc for their livelihood.

Pray: For the printing of Gospel Tracts -"New life in Christ." Pray for its technical struggles in finalising the material and for the financial need for the same. After printing it is our target to lead at least 2000 Malto youth to Christ through personal evangelism. For the repentance of the youth addicted to alcohol in Jani, Tatakbita and Bochakudiah villages. For James Malto to attend the prayer cell as before without fail. For the hindrance to be removed for the believers of Pakedi village to confess their faith in the Lord. For the salvation of the people of Panko, Singlam, Bitakudiah and Bedodey villages. For the safe confinement of Sushila Malto, wife of Charles, our Gospel Ratham team member. For the Lord's wisdom and guidance for the ministry in post pandemic situations, especially in the ministry among Malto students. Because of a long time gap of 15 months in their studies and often postponed and cancelled exams, many of the students are exhausted and lost their interest in studies and some got married. For 20 youth leaders who are taking efforts to plant totally 300+ trees in their land to avoid migration and stabilize village youth fellowship. Pray for the Lord's wisdom for them to select the right trees suitable for the soil and further process of taking care of it.

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Monday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Mary Sebastine

Mandro: Mirjyo Kisku & Celina Hansda

Praise: Eight villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Anil Sharma newly joined the Dumria congregation for worship. Francis Hembrom got back his pair of oxen which was missing. God healed Reshmi Hembrom, wife of our evangelist, from the lump in her breast. All the believers of Fulbaria, Makuchok and Gambhra villages got Government aid to rebuild their houses which were affected by flood. Two backslidden believers were restored back to faith. God healed Marangkuri Tudu from paralysis and Baha Soren of Baredi village from cerebral malaria.

Pray: For all the believers to conduct family prayers regularly to grow in the Lord. For God to raise committed leaders to conduct Bible study groups. For the healing of Beta Murmu from hand fracture due to a fall from the palm

tree. For the repentance of Cadup Marandi who is persecuting our believers. For the blessing of outreach programs in Mahudi, Sonpur and Jadukhita villages. For the Church construction work at Hariala village to be completed soon. For our local evangelist Robert Soren family to be blessed with a child.

Santhal Discipleship Ministry:

Sudhaharan & Florence

Praise: God healed our Church elder Sonalal from rib bone fracture and Anisha from kidney stone. God enabled us to start Bible study groups in 5 fields.

Pray: For the sisters who came for the field exposure to become committed missionaries in the days to come. For starting Sunday classes for children and Bible study for adults and youths in every congregation. For the newly married Christian couple to lead a holy and exemplary life among the non-believers. For our Lord to help the seekers to give up their habit of drinking alcohol and other evil practices completely. For the believers who are able to read the Bible to grow in the Lord every day by reading it sincerely.



Happy Birthday

Mrs. Ngai Thianching Hauzel

St. Thomas English School, Pandeni: Victor Jeyaseelan & Princess Nahomi

Praise: Our Lord enabled us to conduct VBS to the children from Lakhipur. We conducted tuition for Day Care children from Monday to Friday. School registration process is in progress. Rees Malto, John Malto and Marcus Malto have appeared for B.Com IV Semester online examinations. Jesus' film was screened in the Malto villages namely Bamdi, Dankara and Kumar Majo and as a result 50 Malto Bibles were sold to the believers.

Pray: For the open door for the Gospel of Jesus Christ to enter into Theli people group in Lakhipur. For Davud Kamla, Davud Guya, Sanjeev and Selathiel to get admission in suitable UG courses, as they have completed class XII in 2020 from Keren HSC School in Madurai. For the healing of Stanley Malto from epilepsy. For all 100 Pandeni CDC children to come to Pandeni from nearby villages to attend tuitions regularly. For School affiliation work to be started. For

good houses to be built for all the native staff with basic facilities who work with us in Pandeni campus.

Shikaripara: Kumaravel & Mariyal

Praise: Six persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 8 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Suresh Murmu got deliverance from the persecution from his own villages.

Pray: For the Church elders of Haldipahari, Kodma, Telungapara, Jarka and Saera Churches to come forward to lead their congregations. For unity to prevail among the believers in Pakharia, Jamkandar, Saera and Jaradi Churches. For the Bible study and small group prayer to continue in every congregation regularly.

West Bengal

Malda: Udipta Kumar Bag & Surjyakanti

Praise: Ten villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Our believer Reena got strengthened from the spirit of fear. God healed Mamuni from severe body pain. Our new contacts Prem and Joharatala are growing in the Lord and getting ready to confess their faith.

Pray: For the salvation of Sukur and Birem families. For the safe confinement of the wife of Manoj. For our believer Ruth Sarkar to successfully complete her training for the job. For the good monsoon and harvest in this field.

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Wednesday

Fasting
Prayer Day

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Geetha Kenneth
Mrs. Melbin Regini Sundar
Mr. Akhilesh Kumar

Itahar:

Astaban Aditya Kumar Limma & Manini Bebartha

Praise: Nine persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Ram Hansdak from chronic ear pain and Jhumur Murmu and Rajen Basky of Basahar village, Aroti Soren and Suni Mardi of Banbol village from Jaundice.

Pray: For the peaceful situation during the time of new seekers who are going to confess their faith in the Lord. For the outreach program to be conducted without any opposition. For the healing of Sanjit Hansdak of Kundana village from typhoid and anaemia, Nilputhi Murmu from Amati village and Duli Murmy of Chatnighutu village from uterus problem.

Asom

North Eastern Religion: C.H. John & Veni

Praise: Seventeen persons came to the fold of Jesus Christ. God enabled us to conduct small group Bible studies regularly in the Lokra field. God protected our believers of Gohpur and Kalabari fields from all kinds of dangers during this pandemic situation. Church construction works were completed in Sokola and Kochuveli villages. A new worship centre in Majuli field was started. Many new people heard the Gospel in Gogamukh, Lakhimpur, Gohpur, Narayanpur and Jonai fields.

Pray: For the consolation of Kanaka Bisoyi, mother of our missionary whose husband died in an accident. For the new believers to grow in the Lord in the midst of so many challenges and temptations. That all the people to accept Jesus in Bartomioli village and Dhalmi Pegu of Gohpur field and all new worship centres and congregations to grow steadily in the region. For the healing of Radhamoni Doley from epilepsy, Priya Kuli from night blindness, Ayyo Sangmayi from weakness and Anchali from cancer.

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Thursday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Kumari Susama Haramohan
Mrs. Sushmita Samarendra Singh

Gohpur: Densingh & Kavitha

Praise: Thirteen persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God enabled us to complete the construction of the Church at Sokala. All our believers who were admitted in the hospital due to Covid'19 returned home with healing.

Pray: For the healing of all the persons who are affected by Covid'19 in the Rojabar area, especially our believers Moni, Nirmali and Analika. For the repentance of magician Dhalimi Pegu who threatened our missionaries not to enter their village to proclaim the Gospel.

Lakhimpur: Aron & Rina

Praise: Three persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. The people from Borbonda village received the Gospel with open mind. Many seekers from Kasikota and Dorgey villages are getting ready to confess their faith in the Lord.

Pray: For our backslidden believer Dhoneswar Pegu to be restored

back to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. For the believers of Adarguri village to confess their faith in the Lord without any hindrance. For the believers of Bidiya village to be strengthened by God to boldly confess their faith. For a small worship shed to be constructed at Podumani area. For the Church construction at Bormonda Taku area to be completed soon.

Chhattisgarh

Bhaiyathan: Muthu Kumar & Nethravathy; Thang Chin Lian & Vung Thianching

Praise: Five villages were newly reached with the Gospel and in 16 villages follow up works went on well. God enabled us to complete the field survey work at Patna area successfully. Our believer Duga and her husband came together after a period of misunderstanding and separation. New believers and contacts are gathering together in prayer regularly.

Pray: For the wisdom and knowledge to learn the Surguja language by the missionaries to do the ministry effectively. For the healing of Rangrai Pande from cancer in the urinal tracts and Hiramani from lung infection. For the deliverance of Sarath of Karra from the habit of drinking alcohol. For evangelists to be posted among Gonds.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Israel Daniel
Mr. Emanuel Murmu
Mrs. Neeruben Sombai

Champa: Rameshwar Dayal Nirmal & Madhu Kala

Praise: Seven persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed our believers Phuli Gilas, Jageshwar Ratnakar, Devprasad, Khande, Raj Bhardwaj, Rahul Banjare, Usha Kurre and Naresh Jangade from Covid'19. God blessed our believers Deep Mala, Santoshi and Guddy, Rekha and Parmod Banjare family of Dongakohrod village with children.

Pray: For the Church lands to be registered in Semaria and Sone Villages. For the salvation of Satnami people of Khamaria village. For the migrated believers to grow in the Lord. For the healing of Shree Ram Khande from paralysis and Ramesh Diwakar of Kishora village from

typhoid. For our believer Reetu family to be blessed with a child. For two more evangelists to be placed among Satnami people. For our keen contacts namely Raghubir, Mohan Akadasia Mukesh, Ashok, Rakesh, Sanju, Rakesh Rate, Pardeshi, Rahul, Banjare, Mahettar and Sonvani to give up the habit of drinking alcohol.

Gharghoda: Kingsly Issac Johnson & Meena

Praise: A village was newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled our missionaries to conduct bhajans at Kanchanpur village. Our missionaries resumed all their ministerial activities at Roykot district after the lockdown.

Pray: For the salvation of the Ratia people group. For many evangelists to come forward from Chohan, Sarathy and Sahu people groups where there are many Christian believers. For the wedding of the daughter of our believer Jagatram Savathi of Sottigoda village to be conducted in Christian way without any problem as many of his relatives oppose it vehemently.

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Saturday

Katghora:

**Valvi Dina D. & Shaila;
Ditungbou & Sanalung**

Praise: Nineteen villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to start bhajan in Jamri, Junvani and Tola villages. God blessed the elders meeting at Bankheta village and bhajan in many ways. God enabled us to conduct two weddings in Christian way at Burnujharia Church. God opened the eyelids of Sonal Patel of Bala Pacchra which were closed by birth.

Pray: For the repentance of the parents of our believers Semar Singh and Jeen Kumar as they try to stop their children from attending the worship service. For the open door for the Gospel in Sermadevi and KATEL Tola villages. For the salvation of Vijay Singh and Santhosh family as they show interest in the Gospel. For the deliverance of the people of Salawa village from the habit of drinking alcohol. For the

repentance of Mohapal, Rajkumar and Matwa Singh who oppose our ministry. For the healing of our evangelist Philansai from liver problems. For the spiritual growth of Debot of Tuman area who attend our worship regularly.

Lakhanpur & Ambikapur: Arun Kumar & Sarathi

Praise: Four persons from Lakhanpur and Kosunga villages came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to start worship in the Katsura and Koiro areas. The opposition in Rajpur and Dhamodpur villages came to an end through prayers.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the ten new seekers of Ambikapur and Semara villages who are going to confess their faith in the Lord soon. For the healing of Raja Chouhan from epilepsy and Vijay Ekka of Ambikapur from kidney problem. For the backslidden believers to be restored back to faith in Rajpur field. For the families of Amarjal and Sivchand of Semara village to be blessed with children. For our evangelist Devnath who suffers from diabetes to be healed.



Ludeg:

David Masih & Nisha

Praise: Two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 10 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected the life of our believer Bhudensai Lokra from snake biting. New seekers attend the worship service at Shivpur and Kopkiyakhar congregations.

Pray: For the healing of our evangelist Sudden Tigga from malaria, Bikini from epilepsy and Deepika Kajur from TB. For Santhosh family to be blessed with a child.

Pali: Robinson Hasdak & Jhansi

Praise: God enabled us to start bhajan in Ghoramari and Taktoya villages. Ramadhar Bhardwaz family in Ghoramari village opened their house to conduct regular bhajan and Amar singh in Taktoya village opened his house for worship.

Pray: For the salvation of Ramadhar Bhardwaz, his wife Sunila, two sons Sagar and Chandra Prakash and daughter Chanchal in Ghoramar village who opened their house for worship. For the spiritual growth of Amar

Singh family of Taktoya village who is getting ready to confess their faith in the Lord along with other friends. For our seekers Manisha, Santhosa, Ramkumari, Mangni, Mohit Ram, Arjo Ram, Prevathi, Sawana, Dasmathbai of Amarpur village, Mohitram and his wife, Prakash Chand and his wife of Silli village to confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ soon. For the repentance of the opponents of the Gospel in Mazgaon village. For our backslidden believers Ramkumar and Ganesh in Khudiya congregation to be restored back to faith.

Sitapur: Padvi Somalia & Mahala Shila

Praise: Fourteen persons came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and 5 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to start 24 hours fasting prayer in Noapara weekly. For the deliverance of Suseela from the possession of evil spirit.

Pray: For the backslidden believers to be restored back to faith in the Rangapara area. For the plan of starting bhajan meeting newly in Vijaypara area. For the healing of the life of Esmail and Tinkey from Odamkella area who met with an accident and got severe injuries. For the healing of Jaimuni from chest pain and Sakuntala from swelling of the body. For our believer Jainam to get back his motorbike which was stolen.



Happy Birthday

Mr. Ramamuni JBV Prasad
Mr. Venkatesh Waddar
Mr. Ashish Kumar
Miss. Subasini Murmu

Bande: **Babujee Murmu &** **Violet Hansda**

Praise: Eight persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to resume worship, Bible study and other ministries after the lockdown. God healed the Yahub family from typhoid and malaria.

Pray: For peace to prevail in the Kishu Kowachi family. For the salvation of Pandu Noroti, Mero Muna, Birju Katlami and Jogaram Kowachi families. For the healing of Satthu Noroti from cancer.

Odisha **Rairangpur:** **J.Samuel & Havilah**

Praise: Fourteen persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 4 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God healed Gulia Soren family, Somara

Tudu, Lagi Soren and Soy family from Covid'19. God delivered Ramachandran Purty from demonic attack.

Pray: For the consolation of the members of the families who lost their dear ones in our congregation at Rairangpur field. For the healing of Raju Bodra from cancer, Baira Hasta and Dasa from unknown disease and Giri Chandra Purty from paralysis. For the backslidden believers Pathy, Sango, Pingu Himbrom, Laxmi Soren and Pochan Tudu to be restored back to faith.

Gujarat

Bajipura: **Markus Malto & Sara**

Praise: A person came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God delivered Payel from the possession of evil spirits. God helped our seekers Atul and Bahadur to get rid of addiction of drugs. God healed our CV Jana family from Covid'19.

Pray: For the believers of Dariyauwara village to grow in fellowship and unity and to gather for prayer regularly. Backslidden believers to be restored back to faith. For the chain of prayer and Bible study programs to go smoothly without any hindrance.

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Tuesday

Bhavnagar: Karado Biswo Ranjan & Prabina Rani

Praise: Our opponents Kajolben repented and joined with us in prayer. God healed Kamlesh and his son Anilbhai from chronic fever. Our migrant believers started returning to their work spot.

Pray: For the opposition to be removed by our believers Sheetaben and Phalguniben for accepting Jesus Christ by their own family members. For the repentance of the son of Mitalben. For peace to prevail in the family of Geetaben and Prajapati. For our believer Kripali to get a suitable life partner. For the spiritual growth of our new contact Jitubhai Patel.

Naswadi:

Yuvanesh & Jhansi Rani

Praise: God enabled us to start one hour of corporate prayer everyday in four congregations. God healed Jeremiahbhai from

urinary infection. God provided good rain for the cultivation.

Pray: For the total transformation of the life of Dungrabhil people. For the migrant believers to keep up their faith in the Lord. The evil spirits that lead the people to commit suicide to be chased out from the community of Dungrabhil.

Jhawda School: Alphonse & Shiny Sneha

Praise: The Lord helped our staff to successfully calculate the 10th and 12th marks and submit to the government. God provided travel mercies during the trip.

Pray: For the consolation of our students who lost their parents during this pandemic time. For many students to join our school and to grow both spiritually and academically. For all the 12th Std students who completed their studies to get into good courses for higher studies. For the Lord's wisdom and guidance for all of our staff to teach the students well and for their spiritual growth. For the good network coverage in the school and the nearby villages which is vital for online classes.

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Wednesday

Fasting
Prayer Day

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Esther Abraham
Mr. Sathyappa

Tapti: Mathavaroy and Jebathangam

Praise: Amidst lockdown God enabled us to share the Gospel with 75 new persons by phone. God healed Amar Singhbhai and as a result many families newly attend our worship service. God enabled us to conduct prayer meetings in the morning and evening through conference calls for the believers.

Pray: For the reopening of companies where our believers work for their livelihood. For the healing of Anujaben from black fungus. For the deliverance of the daughter of Vasantbhai from the possession of evil spirit. In need of lands to build Churches.

Satpura: Joseph Durai Raj & Elizabeth

Praise: A person came to the faith in Jesus Christ and 6 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. Many join the evening prayer meetings at Tarsadi village. God protected our local evangelist Ashokbhai from a major accident. God delivered 6 ladies and 2

gents from the possession of evil spirits through the believers' fasting prayer.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of our new believer Bharathbhai. For the backslidden believers who are addicted to alcohol during the lockdown period to be restored back to faith. For the believers who suffer from the economic crisis caused by lockdown. For the completion of Church construction at Kunthi and Pathaldevi villages.

Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Khanel: P. Vinu & Suhi Malar

Praise: Five families came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God helped Maheshbhai of Kochai village to conduct the burial service for his grandfather in Christian way. Although many of our believers were affected by the infection of Covid'19, none of them died. Our believer Prabhubhai of Lukeri village escaped from a major accident.

Pray: For the healing of Rashmiben of Kochai and Devjibhai of Manthoni from kidney stone problem, Sinuben of Surangi from chest pain, Ratanbhai of Sistha village from paralysis, Kashiram from chronic illness and Dharmabhai from knee pain. For the believers who suffer from the side effects caused by Covid'19.

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Thursday

Happy Birthday

Mrs. Cindu Korah Edwin

Maharashtra

Boradi:

Omprakash & Sapna

Praise: Ten persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ from Huriyapai village. Four villages were newly reached with the Gospel. God protected and healed our believers Kalariya, Gildar, Mahangiya, Khatariya, Munna, Sakaram and Jagdish from Covid'19. God enabled us to form Bible study groups at Sajagarpada, Kevsipada, Budak Vihir, Piparipad, Huriyapani, Thapasiya and Boradi villages. God blessed the follow up programs at Vikalapada Majani, Fatehpur, Chakadu and Ambaduk villages. New worship group has been started at Dhammapada Faliya.

Pray: For the deliverance of Dasratbhai of Gadardev village from deafness, Ambarabhai of Huriyapani village from Paralysis, Bhaskarbhai of Budaki Vihar village from mental disorder, Sanjay of New Boradi village from

addiction to gambling, Goribai of Gadardev village from chest pain, Mahima Bai of Vakapada village from tumour and Rajarambhai from Apasingpada village from the possession of evil spirit.



Notorious Becomes Noteworthy!

In Madhya Pradesh, at Napanagar mission field, Vishram from Tukaithad village was a drunkard. He did not have a peaceful life with his family and also with people around him. Generally people avoided him because he was a troublesome person. Meantime he was possessed by an evil spirit, and tormented by it. He felt something crawling over his body. He felt as if somebody punching him on the face. His face also got swollen. So he visited many witch doctors in order to get healing. No witch doctors could help him in this matter. Somebody told him about our Church elder at Tukaithad. He came to him, explained all his miseries and pleaded with him to deliver him from his woes. Our Church elder Bhanwar Singh shared with him the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ and prayed for him. Now he is a changed person. He has given up his drinking habit of alcohol and also got deliverance from the evil spirit. Now he is coming for our prayer meeting regularly with his family. Hallelujah.





Deccan Region: Vijayan & Jebarose

Praise: Six persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God enabled us to conduct special camps for believers, VBS for children and 12 hours of prayers for staff. Pardiguda villagers in Asifabad field are showing response to the Gospel. God helped us to open new outreach Centres at Dhaba in Allapalli field and Irpanar in Ettapalli field.

Pray: For the future of our ministry at Khammam field ministry as most of the villages are going to be displaced for the dam project. For the blessing of our new outreach centres Dhaba and Irpanar to yield much fruits. For the future of Gatta outreach centre which was opened 6 years back, but 7 mission workers left the place due to poor result, oppositions and naxals activities. For all our Churches to be indigenized as early as possible. For God's provision of committed evangelists in Adilabad, Pandharkawada and Gadchandur fields to reach Raj Gonds. For the early completion

of Church constructions in Hetekasa and Bhagyanagar villages. For the construction of a Church Based Training Centre at Pandevahi of Etapalli field with some basic infrastructure like compound wall, two rooms and toilet bathrooms. For the healing of our seekers Dev Tallande from stomach tumor and Sathu Narote from mouth cancer.

Khandbara: Balaji Netalam & Jagadeeswari

Praise: Twelve persons came under the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God blessed the key leaders' meeting conducted at Moulipada village. God enabled us to bring another 6 families to His fold. God provided enough rain in our field that the believers also started their farming works. God blessed our believer Shravanbhai with a child.

Pray: For the salvation of Rajeela, Sarala, Eswar and Sunil families who are attending our meeting regularly. For the complete healing of our believers Nimbaben from body swelling, Shantiben from sickle cell, Vinuben from Tumour and Vandaben from nerve inflammation in the neck. For the blessing of outreach ministry to be conducted in Vanjala and Kolghar villages.

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Saturday

Happy Birthday

Mr. Edward Jebasingh, Mrs. Vasave Sunita Vechya

Molgi, Narmada & Vadfali: Bharanidharan & Selvarani

Praise: Seventeen persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ. God enabled us to resume worship service in all our Churches. God blessed the evening meetings conducted in 13 places.

Pray: For the spiritual growth of the seekers who are getting ready to confess their faith in the Lord. For the repentance of Arshi and Kailash who oppose our ministry at Mojapada and Sambar congregations. For the healing of Ishwarya, a small baby who has a big tumour on her backbone.

Sindkheda Sub-Vadali: Jagmohan Singh and Swati

Praise: God enabled us to conduct worship meetings at four places weekly. God healed our missionaries, evangelists and believers from various kinds of sicknesses. Our migrating believers of Nardana area returned to their hometown safely.

Pray: For the blessing of God on the plan of conducting worship and fasting prayer among the believers regularly. For the repentance of Jeevandas of Burjad village from drinking alcohol and Kesharbai, Sagubai and Bhanudas from evil practices. For the healing of Sagubai from chest pain, Shankar from chronic leg pain.

Surgana: Mayilsamy & Yesumani

Praise: Forty-two persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ from Chiratta and Sukapur villages and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. God enabled us to start the construction work of Borigoutta village. Many responded to the Gospel from Karunthari, Songir, Topal Pada, Pilukpada and Bangaripari villages. God healed Bharat Singarde of Sukapur village from mental problems.

Pray: For the blessing of the upcoming program in which many are going to confess their faith in the Lord. For the repentance of Shanti of Kelipada village who disturbs our ministry in many ways. For the healing of Yasoda of Kelipada village from throat infection and Keshav of Manda village from blood vomiting. For our believer Suresh Gangurde to be blessed with a child.



Dharani: Daniel Marvelraj & Jebaseeli

Praise: Three persons came to the faith in Jesus Christ and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. God heard the prayer of our new believer who prayed for his ox which was on the verge of death. God protected our missionary family from the danger of falling of tin roof on their heads while riding the bike.

Pray: For the consolation of the family members of Susila who passed away. For the backslidden believers of Dockermal village who are not attending our worship regularly. For the new life of our seeker Ruthika who was disturbed by the unwanted situation in the family.

Karnataka Hubli Region: Sunil Datta Kara & Meenakhi

Praise: Two persons came to

the faith in Jesus Christ and a village was newly reached with the Gospel. God blessed Savitri from Shirahatti field with a baby. God healed Srinivasa, Shivappa and Vallappa from Gajendragada field, Thanglal Zou, Lubin Murmu, Basavaraj & his wife Sunita and Chikappa, our local evangelist from Covid'19. God answered our prayer by healing Ankitha of Mundgod field from mental disorder and Vinayraj of Kanapur field from unconsciousness.

Pray: For the blessing of the plan of forming prayer groups in Krisyal, Ramapur, Timarpur and Chick Golballa villages. For our new believer Shankramma from Nidagundi field to show interest in outreach ministry. For our believer Suresh who faces opposition from his neighbours as he got married in Christian way. For the consolation of the family members of our Church elder Vimanna of Koliwada Church, Shirahatti field who passed away recently. For the deliverance of our seekers Husain, Anmata and Ravi from Shirahatti field from alcohol addiction. For the healing of Shekappa of Gajendragada from paralysis, Fakkirappa, Drakshani and Pavitra from Covid'19.



Telangana

Asifabad: Vasava

Rameshbhai & Sunitaben

Praise: A village was newly reached with the Gospel. God opened the door for the Gospel in Pardigua village. God healed Mahesh from kidney problems, Nannubai from asthma and Tirupati from hydrosol.

Pray: For the salvation of Jothi who is on the deathbed without any hope. For the deliverance of the people of Gonds from the evil social bondages. For the repentance of Ganesh, Sway, Naryan, Anand and Sanjay from alcoholism.

Andhra Pradesh

Damalacheruvu: Prasanth Meesala & Rupa Kumari

Praise: A family from Gajjulapalli responded to the Gospel. Bible Study Groups were conducted through Conference calls at Arehalli, Jogi Vari Palli, Naravaripalli, V. Kota and Valliagatla Villages. God healed our believers Govindaiah @

Abraham of Errehpalli, Umapathy of Kalikiripalli, Nagabhusanam family of V. Kota and Sam Sagar and Bhanu families of Yadamarri villages. God blessed the VBS program, local evangelists' meeting and Church elders' gathering in many ways.

Pray: For all the believers to join the fellowship without any fear about the disease. For the blessing of forthcoming programs - Church elders' training, Women training, youth and Children training programs. For mass Outreach and night meetings to be conducted without any hindrance. For the new seekers Kavitha family, Kalpana, Subaratnam and Jyothi to come forward to confess their faith in the Lord boldly. For the consolation of Abraham family from Moranapalli village, as his mother Mariyamma passed away recently.



Baby Moved in the Womb After the Prayer!

In Uttarakhand, at Maldhan Chaur mission field, our believer Radhika's two children had already died in the womb itself. Presently she is conceived but could not feel any movement of the baby in the womb. She called our missionaries to pray for her. God heard their prayers and as soon as the prayer was over, she could feel the movement of the baby. Kindly pray for her safe confinement.



AUGUST
31
Tuesday

Happy Birthday

Mr. Christopher P.G., Mr. Balaji Yesudhasan
Mr. Ranjan Khasala

Pulivendula: Vijay Kumar & Susheela

Praise: Bible study programs are conducted regularly in 2 places. God enabled us to start the ministry by visiting the villages and people after the lockdown.

Pray: For the healing of Vijayakumari from HIV positive. For the children of our believers who appear for the exams.

V.Kota: Sanjay Kumar Beero & Sagarika

Praise: God enabled us to conduct Bible study and prayers through conference calls due to the lockdown. Our believers got encouragement during the pandemic situation. Now the Churches are opened for worship.

Pray: For the healing of our believer Suda of V. Kota from Covid'19. For the believers' children to have good marriage alliance from the Christian circle itself. For the spiritual growth of the seekers who are ready to confess their faith in the Lord.

Kalakada:

Vedyappan & Lakshmi

Praise: A village namely Kanalapalli was newly reached with the Gospel. Two persons namely Nagaraja and Sujatha accepted the Gospel.

Pray: For hindrance to be removed to build a Church at Kathiraya Cheruvu area. For the amicable settlement of land dispute faced by our believer Venkatramana of Kothapalli.



A Breakthrough in the Hard Heart!

In Maharashtra, at Etapalli mission field, Vattegatta is a village where we had been facing repeated opposition from the villagers. In 2010 one of our young believers was killed as human sacrifice when he was returning home through a forest. Once the missionary family was surrounded by the villagers when they were conducting a night meeting. But God is working on them and keeps on bringing new families into His fold. Now there are 10 families following Jesus and worshiping Him. As they found it difficult to get a place to sit together for worship, they started to pray for a place of worship. God answered their prayers and got a place in the village and they themselves have erected a temporary shed (Kacha Church) for worship. Praise the Lord!



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B.	Paper Quality	130 gsm real art paper (Synormous)
C.	Colour	Four Colours with white background
D.	No of pages	6 sheets Front and back
E.	Tin Mounting	5 mm

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1. The printer should have minimum 10 years' experience in calendar colour printing of not less than 2 lakhs per year and possesing CPC MACHINE.
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