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All those who look up to Jesus, As their Lord and Saviour Are entitled to the Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

- Mark 1:1



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POINTS TO PONDER

- → Jesus Christ
 never implores people,
 "Come, follow Me',
 Never implores people,
 "Give Me",
 The expectation is,
 Everything should come
 voluntarily and whole heartedly!
- Religion needs money,
 Whereas, Jesus needs heart!
- Religion means advertisement, Gospel means Proclamation!
- The call is to accept the gospel
 The command is
 to proclaim the gospel!
- Without hiding behind the cross, We cannot lift Jesus, Without following Jesus, We cannot press the ministry forward!

For those who have accepted the Gospel which forgives sins and bestows heavenly blessings

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

We have joyously celebrated the birth of Christ and the New Year. We are now moving forward with new changes and heading towards the direction that God has shown us. Our journey might not be smooth but Jesus Christ, who said that He would be with us till the end of the ages, is with us. The One who said, 'Let's go to the other side' is with us and so there is no need to worry!

Today, we have hope only in the gospel of Lord Jesus Christ as other things will be destroyed. But the Word of God has the power to forgive our sins and give us life! This the reason why the missionaries who share this glorious gospel are concerned about the transformation of individuals. It is a privilege that you are a part of this ministry! It is our vision that people must not lose this great blessing.

Jesus, the Son of God

Jesus has saved the people from their sins (Matt 1:21); He came to seek the lost (Lk. 19:10); He was revealed as the Word of God (Jn. 1:1,14). Since, Jesus Christ is both man and Son of God, he is both divine and human. He is the source of the gospel that gives hope for mankind. All those who accept His authority have the privilege to become the children of God (Jn 1:12).

John, the Baptist Prepares the way for Jesus:

In the past, the kings used to send people to prepare their way. This person prepares the way for the king and announces his coming. Isaiah 40:3, Malachi 3:1; 4:5,6 proclaim that John the Baptist was assigned to do this work.

We read in Mark 1:2,3 that John, the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus and announced His coming. We are called to warn the people who are in sin. They must mend their ways, as Jesus is going to return as a King to judge the world. We need to prepare them to meet the Lord.

John, the Baptist Humbled Himself and exalted Jesus:

We read about the life of John, the Baptist from Lk 3:1-18, Mt 3:1-12. We must give the fruits of repentance, as it is a part of professing the faith, a person has on Christ through baptism. He was sent before Messiah (Mal 4:5; Matt. 11:10-14). Jesus Himself testified (Jn 5:33,35)

that He was the witness to the Truth and was burning bright as light.

John, the Baptist was a Nazarene from birth (Lk. 1:13-17). He lived for long in the deserts of Judea that is West of Dead Sea. His clothing and food were simple. But his ministry was powerful. He was able to do the things what the priests were unable to do for four centuries. We read in Lk 3:9-14 that there was great revival among the people.

Dearly beloved, let us ponder, how serious and committed we are in proclaiming the glorious gospel of Lord Jesus Christ. Are we giving importance to the work of Jesus Christ, in the midst of our duties? Are we complacent saying that we have done enough? Are we humble saying that we must diminish and only the name of Christ must increase? Let us introspect, and work expeditiously.

Current Ministry Updates:

Dear ministry partners, the ministries are increasing through the grace of God and through your prayers, contribution, and involvement. Thank you so much for your involvement.



Vishwa Vani Board Meeting:

Our Lord enabled me to submit the ministry-report for the past six months to the Board held on December 8, 2023, in Chennai. He led us to plan, accomplish rapidly and move forward in our vision. Ithankall the members of the Board.



Ministry Development in Sora Region:

I praise God for enabling me to open a Primary Health Centre in Polla field, Manyam district in Andhra Pradesh on December 12 followed by the opening of the Sora Ministry Coordination Centre and also attend the Christmas Celebrations as well. God also gave me the opportunity to

dedicate the church building in 'Bhusayavalasa' that was expanded and delivered God's Word in the special meeting that evening. Kindly pray for the Sora Convention scheduled for February 16 to 18 in Bhumikaguda field.

27 New Missionaries for Mission-Fields in North India:

27 missionaries completed their training in Nawatoli Training Centre, Jharkhand State, on December 15. Among them, 16 missionaries are preparing to leave for the villages in Chhattisgarh, 9 missionaries to Jharkhand and 2 missionaries to Uttar Pradesh. These 27 missionaries





need our prayers. We also need families, who would stand in the gap, for the unreached villages and also come forward to contribute Rs 4000 every month to adopt a village.

Tripura - Kokborok Bible Release:

The Kokborok Bible was released on the 19th December, in Vishwa Vani Kami field, Tripura, on the 10th memorial service of Emil Annan. Many of you prayed and contributed. We thank all those who put their unstinting effort in this task. We are printing 10,000 Bibles as the first print. We request you to be a part of this work.

Ministry and Media Office:

P. Selvaraj Annan, Chairman of Vishwa Vani Network, dedicated 'Ministry and Media Office' in Kushaiguda, Hyderabad on 30.12.23. This office will enable us to inherit the ministry opportunities and quicken the process of channelizing the information to ministry partners and strengthen the community development activities. The name of God was glorified in the dedication service, which took place at the end of the year. Hallelujah.

Praise and Prayer Day:

The staff of Vishwa Vani Ministries, the representatives and the ministry partners observed December 31 as the day of Praise and Worship. This day, at the end of the year, prepared us to sit at the feet of the Lord, and enter the new year with joy and hope.



Training for the New Ezras:

The training classes commenced for the 25 new Ezras to proclaim the gospel in the unreached villages in Andhra Pradesh. Please pray for the classes that have to be started in Northwest India, Gujarat and Karnataka.

Trichy - Thanksgiving Meeting:

I thank the pastor and the committee members of the C.S.I Church at Allithurai, Trichy for giving me an opportunity to share the Word of God on 7.1.24. The meeting of the representatives and ministry partners that was held on that very day was also a



blessing. We thank the members of the District Ministry Development Team and our coworkers. We look forward to reaching 2000 villages in Rajasthan through the believers in Trichy. Please pray for the same.

May our Nation be benefitted by the throng of believers:

Pray so that the name of God will be exalted in the places where the believers gather and pray for the proclamation of the gospel and the prosperity of Indian villages.

2024 January 14-16 : Tamil Believers' National Meet, Hyderabad

January 19-23 : Manipur Relief Camps

January 23 : Tirunelveli District Pastors' Meet

January 26 : Vision Meetings in Chennai and Mumbai

January 28 - 31 : North India Mission Leaders

Special Training Camp, Bhopal.

February 16 - 18 : Sora Believers' Mela, Bhumikaguda,

Andhra Pradesh

Feb. 4 - March 3 : Mission Festival in Vishwa Vani Field Churches

Let us care for the well-being of the Missionaries:

Please pray for all the missionaries working under Vishwa Vani Network. Particularly, the monthly contribution that has been provided to the sick, people affected by natural disasters, women, whose spouses had passed away in unforeseen accidents, and for the education of their children. If you would like to support this need, please contact us. You could help the missionaries and their families through 'Society for Care and Needy'.

Propagation of the Gospel, in the midst of those who oppose it:

You are aware that the missionaries are facing oppositions and are put in prisons. Please pray so that all those, who oppose the gospel, might repent and bring great revival and approval. Is it not true that churches grow rapidly amid hostility?

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."

(Numbers 6:24-26)

12.01.2024 Yours in Christ

Chennai Rev. Dr. W. Wilson Gnanakumar



THE MAN THEY CALL JESUS

Wily and the Witness

(John 9:1-41)

- Are you the man who was blind from birth?
- Yes, that's true!
- Are you the beggar?
- Yes, that's true!
- How could you see us so bravely?
- Through the Man they call Jesus!
- What did He do?
- He lifted me from the miry clay and kept me on the rock!
- What did you reply?
- The Man called Jesus, made the blind man, who was sitting in the street, amidst dirt and dust and was begging, see.
- He has broken the Sabbath, right?
- No, The Man called Jesus, Is greater than the day of the Sabbath!
- You father and mother do respect us, right?
- Even I respect.
- Whom do you respect?
- The Man called Jesus.
- Are you not afraid?
- Yes I am
- Whom do you fear?
- The Man called Jesus!
- We will cast you out of the temple!
- It doesn't matter!
- Why?
- I have the One who is greater than the temple!
- Who is that?
- The Man called Jesus!
- What will He do?
- The Man called Jesus Will carry the ones you cast away!

- Your parents say, "Ask of him, He old enough to say?"
- The aged, the one whose eyes were opened The witness says: The Man called Jesus!
- Give glory to God!
- Surely I will To the Man called Jesus!
- He is a sinner!
- For me He is the Man, called Jesus!
- We are the disciples of Moses!
- But I am
 The disciple of the Man, called Jesus!
- Will you not bow down to the dictates of the authorities of the temple?
- No.
- Why?
- Groping in the darkness, will become my way of life!
- One who is steeped in sin at birth, are you preaching us? How do you lecture us?
- Yes, I am preaching, I am lecturing, Become the disciples of the Man called Jesus!
- What did you say?
- Don't waste my time by asking again and again Become the disciples Of the Man called Jesus!
- & Are we blind like you?
- Of course, you are blind, till you reach the Man, called Jesus!

(Anger among the Authorities, applause in Heaven)

Soldiers of the Cross

Cross is the worst tool used by the Romans to kill the thieves, the people who were against the nation and those revolting against the rulers. Cross is the merciless decision that they take for a murderer, so that he would cruelly die. Hence, the one who climbs the stairs of death had to carry a cross!

The Roman empire was small before 2000 years. But they controlled the whole world. If they need to control people who resist in every country, then they must follow hard rules to govern and punish them. This was followed in Judea and Palestine where they ruled. Though they have given some freedom regarding religion for the Jews, they pressed hard few revolutionists who were against the Romans like bedbugs.

In general, a cross was given to all those who created chaos and rebellion. It was the fulfillment of the prophesy when Jesus Christ was sentenced to be crucified. The Romans did not rule when the second part of Psalm 22:16 was written, "they pierce my hands and my feet." What a great wonder! God has foretold what would happen after centuries! But the Son of Man obeyed God and followed His commands to fulfill this prophesy. He has foretold what was going to happen to His disciples. But they did not have the ability and knowledge to understand it till the end.

The cross is not a banner of victory but is a symbol of shame and pain carried by the loser. But when the cross was carried by Jesus, its definition changed. The symbol of shame has become a symbol of victory. The reason was Jesus who carried it for others and not for Himself! The sinless nature of Jesus has changed the cross as a symbol of holiness, sacrifice, and love.

Jesus carrying the cross is entirely differently from ours. Jesus Christ suffered on the cross, carried it, died, and rose again. But we are dead in sin, and we are alive in righteousness. When we start to live a Christian life then we start carrying the cross.

One of the important invitations that Jesus gave to those who desire to follow Him was to carry his or her cross and follow Him! But the pastors and believers of the present world are focused on experiencing the riches of the world and are blind or consider it low, the suffering and the cross that one should experience. This reveals the unbalanced nature of the Christians.

Peter questions Jesus in Mark 10:28, "We have left everything to follow you!". It means, we left everything expecting something! Peter was afraid, whether he had wasted three and half years following Jesus leaving his children, family, and everything. Jesus' answer to him includes the blessings of the present world and the eternal life. He includes the word 'along with persecutions' in it. " Truly I tell you, no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first | (Mk. 10:29-31).

We might question why we need to face tribulations when we are promised blessings. Here lies the great truth of Christian life. God is placing a cross over us even if we lead a wealthy and luxurious life because our heart must stay tuned with God. It helps us to focus on God. We need to overcome many temptations and pain in order to overcome this world that is like a big sea. We must take these crosses as symbols of love. The author of Hebrews says, "If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all." (Heb 12:8).

Hence it is necessary to realize that all those who love Him have some crosses that they need to carry. He disciplines all those whom He loves. The lessons that He teaches through every discipline are precious. If He breaks someone, He also mends them. They will be vessels to help those who are broken and to uphold in tears the burdens of others. Cross is a great pain that could not be borne. If we need to realize the pain of others, then we must have traversed through the pain encountered at the cross. Then we could know the real meaning of compassion as others' pain is in our heart.

In mid of October, my body showed some symptoms! As there were continuous ministries and other work, I was unable to give importance to my health. Our body is our friend until we are 45. It can bend, bow, bear and run for anything. We would encounter no problems until then. When our body turns against us, we must realize the bitter truth that our body is against us. There is none who has overcome it. Even rulers who ruled the world were subject to small mosquito bites. Kings who ruled great nations were unable to overcome the disease that encountered them and were buried to the earth.

I was ignorant of the dangerous signs that my body showed me and was reluctant saying that everything would be fine and concentrated on work alone. But the situation turned against me, and I was tired. Finally, I was unable to walk. I had severe pain in my nerves, bones, and muscles for 65 days. I lost my sleep. I visited more than 40 doctors and underwent many tests. But we were unable to identify its reason. I was aware that there is a strong satanic attack behind it. Lastly, they found an infection in the brain. It had affected my nervous system, and it prevented the functioning of my body and made me bedridden.

No temptation and plots of Satan can touch us without God's permission. But God permits us to pass through the problems to teach us some valuable lessons. The great lesson that I learnt through the pain that I encountered through those 65 days is "What is pain?" I never used to cry except at the time of prayer. But during those 65 days, I spent every minute in tears.

I was able to feel the pain that was encountered by Jesus at the cross, the pain of a cancer patient, the pain of a person who has multiple fractures after a road accident and the chilling pain of a person with nervous problems. This lesson enabled me to pray for those who are passing through similar problems. I am a bit better through the prayer of many people. It might take 6 to 9 months to return and recover to normal condition and to stand without any tremors in the legs and hands and walk properly. I am filled with tears, when I think that I have also joined the line of the soldiers who are carrying the cross.

Dearly beloved, crosses are given to us not to destroy us but to shape us. The cross that Jesus was carrying was appointed for the murderers. But after His death at the cross, it has become a symbol of victory. The Roman kingdom that considered cross as a tool of death, has been changed to the kingdom that is exalting the cross in the world after the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Today, those who carry the cross are not murderers but are soldiers of the cross.

If you plan to meditate on the cross, this Lenten season, then you are not ordinary people. You are one of the crores of the soldiers of cross who are following Jesus. Your war is not with men but with Satan and his angels! Your reward for victory is not an ordinary one but the crown of life! You are not going to stand in line with ordinary people but with victorious people! Hallelujah!—Haris Prem, Vishwa Vani Media

Three Kernels...

We praise God for the life of sister Hiraben (51 years) who was called for ministry and worked for the glory of God for the past 12 years in the midst of oppositions. It was from 2012, she worked with her husband Anil Sona Valvi at Gantha and Bamangam fields that are in great need and has completed her ministry.



Hiraben was paralyzed in April 2022. Hence her right side failed to function, her ministry also ceased day after day. She was praising God in Bamangam field church on 10.12.23. She fainted suddenly. When taken to the hospital, she went to be with the Lord. Kindly pray for missionary Anil Sona Valvi and his two children.



Bro. Jalli Jayaraju (58 years) had been used in ministry development by the Lord for the past 29 years in Vishakhapatnam, Andhra and Hyderabad, Telangana. His wife Mary Mani passed away in a road accident in 2015. Even then, he did not lose the vigor but continued to work for the Lord. He had the desire to work more, and more for the Lord. Consequently, he became sick. He

was unable to serve the Lord and entered eternal rest on 14.12.23. Kindly pray for his son and two daughters and their families.

Missionary Mangal Singh Debbarma was used mightily by the Lord among the Debbarma people group in Tripura. He was 46 years and he used his talents for the glory of God. He was loving, humble and had the desire to share the love of Jesus in every village. He was a role model in sowing the seeds of gospel and in



honoring his coworkers. He was firm in his calling and had a great desire to work for the Lord. All the villages, wherever he reached, rejoiced in the Lord! He went to be with the Lord in the early hours of December 18 when he was resting on his bed. Kindly pray for the comfort of his wife Mary Debarma and son Aikha Debbarma (12) and the believers and their families in the fields of Tripura.

THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST? \BY WHOM?

TO WHOM?

Dearly Beloved,

What the world calls as God, Bhagavan, Eswar, Lord, is Jesus Christ! Many names like God, Lord, Almighty, and Jehovah were used in the old testament,

All these names are encompassed in one name- Jesus Christ! Jesus Christ, the very name, is gospel!

To Whom?

- The one who was dead came alive, The one who was lost was found, The one who went away from dad to be with Satan, and become Satan. Became reformed and was born again not being happy about his brother's transformation, the elder brother fumed that he was not worthless like him. There was no joy for me at his arrival They are arranging a grand reception for him, saying that there was nothing so painful as this, he walked away. The Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ is not for him, And for those who have such a mindset!
- I am worthless, consider my elder brother as your son, Take me as your servant, kindly forgive my sins, and accept me, saying, I have sinned against my father and Heavenly Father, he cried bitterly and fell at his father's feet and wiped them with his tears. The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ is for this lad, and those who are broken hearted like him! (Like 15)
- Tricking the servant at the door of the wedding festivity, who checks whether all those who have come for the wedding are wearing wedding garments, dressed himself in the attire of self-righteousness, Stood as guest with other guest, stood as believer with other believers Stood with those who are called like Aaron With a mask of a full-time worker hid himself in corner, in a place filled with wedding guests. However, he could not hide himself from the eyes of the king. He stood speechless and ashamed before him when the king asked him 'How did you come here.' He was immediately cast out – He, and all the wicked people like him Who self-check their spirituality, award marks.

And pride themselves saying "no one's equal to our spirituality," For such false 'righteous' people who make miscalculations, the gospel of Jesus Christ is certainly not for them! (Matthew 22)

- I am not worthy to come near the presence of God, I am not righteous but a great sinner, I am not good but very bad, accepting his mistakes thus, some one who stands afar off, With a broken heart, beating his breast, Imploring, 'God be gracious to me, a sinner' Crying unto the authority who could forgive the sins. The gospel of Jesus Christ Is for all those who are like this tax collector! (Luke 18)
- Leaving her husband, stepping on to another person's house, hardening her heart and beheading the head of the person who questioned her immorality and told her 'It was wrong.' Such Herodias, and similar ones, will not inherit the gospel of Jesus Christ! (Mark 6)
- All that you said about me, is correct, I gave my life to six men, I destroyed myself, Though He knows the secrets of the heart and past history, We are privileged to have some one, who removes all the sins, If the sinner confesses all the sins. The woman from the land of Samaria, Who proclaimed 'He is the Messiah and Friend to my Soul' and testified. Such a Samaritan woman, and all those who repent and who are ready to turn away from the path of unrighteousness, Will certainly possess the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ! (John 4)
 - We place before you the one who has committed sin.
 We have to stone her,
 We are the people, who protect the Jewish law,
 We are good as gold, but she is below the standard.
 So saying, they blow their own trumpets and stand agitated.
 The gospel of Jesus Christ is not for those
 who are like white-washed sepulchers,
 Whose names are written on the soil with the command 'Gold or
 silver, get to know your worth before you pelt the stones at her,'
 'remove the beam out of your own eye,
 before you remove the speck out of her eyes
 that you have seen with magnifying glasses'
 Such people vanished away in a second.
- Sir, it is true that I was caught in the very act,
 Protect me from those who stone me.
 To those who make such confessions,
 Who make their refuge the one who shuns evil and loves the sinners.
 To such people belong the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ! (John 8)

Like us, who hang among the murderers and wicked:
Ask, 'Are You Christ? Or Messiah?
Or The Anointed One? Or the Savior?'
Say, 'Lie, It is sheer lie,' Reply us.
If it was true then save yourself and us, right now
Said so, even five minutes before his death,
without realizing he was a sinner,
without accepting that he needed a Saviour,
without knowing the truth that he was the savior,
lost the rare chance by his sheer folly,
Like the thief who ran in haste to eternal destruction
who commit everything in life,
Then, when they receive the punishment for the same
They get infuriated and abuse God,
Such, people cannot inherit the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ!

We die because we have committed sin,
But You are not a sinner,
Are You not the One who said:
Who could say that there is sin in Me?
Passing through this world, I desire to come to the place where You go
Will You fulfill my desire?
Saying so, he realized his mistake,
he knew that He was the One who could forgive the sins,
without losing the rare chance that he got graciously
Even a few seconds before he closed the eyes on the earth
the thief who came forward to open his eyes in paradise.
Like him, who look up to Jesus
As the Lord and Savior,
They have the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ,
Even on the verge of death!

By the plan of God, born in a very poor family passed thirty years as an ordinary Man,
With great humility, He passed three and a half years,
Over the dusty roads and streets of Palestine,
He wandered as a Ram,
Finally, as He fell into the hands of men, tortured,
and died, hanging on the cross, as a lamb,
the Jews who mocked at Him saying,
'Is He God who cannot save Himself?'
And the religious fanatics who fling the opportunity
that God has given to meet them
Such people, will never have the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ!
(Luke 23)

He was led as a sheep for slaughter,
 And as a lamb is silent before its shearer,

He opened not His mouth and was meek.
Knowing that He was the Messiah whom Isaiah talked about, accepted whole heartedly, told Philip,
'I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God,'
Get down from the chariot and baptize me.
That Ethiopian Minister,
Though from a high position, possessed the heart of a child.
All those who are like him
will have the gospel of Lord Jesus Christ! (Acts 8)

- The Grecian intellectuals like, Cesaro, Senecho and Plato-interrogated, why should a man come down from heaven To save the sinners? Even if He comes, Why must He come in a lowly state and die among the lowly? What He calls, as Good News is foolishness to us. Such intellectuals who forsook his doctrines saying they were not practical, cannot have the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ! (I Corinthians 1)
- Though we are Greeks,
 we are not philosophers who argue, we are believers,
 We came for the feast at Jerusalem, they sought Jesus
 They said to Philip:
 Sir, we have not come to see the feast,
 but to see the lamb of the Passover.
 They implored, We wish to see Jesus,
 kindly make way for us to see Jesus.
 Like these Greeks and
 All those who have the thirst to see Jesus
 will certainly have the Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ! (John 12)

BY WHOM?

- Trained at the palace of Pharaoh for 40 years, physically vibrant, thinking that he was good at words and warfare, took the sword to deliver the Israelites, Later, he fled from the city – Through Moses of flesh and blood, The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ is not going to be proclaimed! (Exodus 2)
- Not through my intellect, but because I saw You in the fire, Not through my flesh, but through Your power, Not because I took the sword but because I took the staff You gave me I delivered the Israelites, leading them to the place to worship You, Said the Man who talked to the living God daily Like a friend, practised to be in the presence of the Lord – Through him and through all those who practise to be in the presence of the Lord

Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ continues to be Proclaimed! (Exodus 3)

- Though they heard the voice of the fold, they stayed at the stable They found shelter under fortified places to protect their lives, 'Curse the names of those who are not on the side of the Lord,' Pronounced Deborah!

 Through all those, who stand in that list, then and now, The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ is not going to be proclaimed! (Judges 5:16,17,23)
- "If I do not stand and act, The villages will be destroyed more," Deborah rose in anger, along with Barack, those who united with them whole heartedly, Stood at the gap for the villages, not considering their lives, Ready to pierce the throat of the enemy and nail his forehead. They received the command from heaven and set for war They chased the enemies, burnt their chariots, Through these who have the soldier's faith and divine boldness, The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ is being proclaimed in each and every village and in each and every city! (Judges 4,5)
- Pretending to heed to the voice of God with great respect and honor, and to all those around,
 Like the one who pretends to have great interest in ministry,
 But starts mocking, when the owner and those around move a bit, saying, "I am not interested in working in his garden,
 nor is there a need to do so,"
 But, I do not have the guts to tell it directly to him
 Now, I should not be seen by him,
 Showing the back to the Caller and the face to Satan,
 Though accepting and making an oath but not performing
 Through the younger brother and those like him
 The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ is not going to be proclaimed!
- Saying "I won't go" right on his face,
 Once the one who called him moved away,
 He recalled," I am what I am because of Him"
 "I have to be thankful to him, Why did I speak like that,"
 slapping his pride,
 Being touched by the stroke of love, ran upto Him
 Sir, I am going for the work of the Lord,
 He kept before Him his hands, legs, time, abilities and talents,
 Later, worked tirelessly the elder one,
 And through all those like him with broken hearts,

 The Gospel of Lord Jesus is proclaimed! (Matthew 24:28-34).

- I am on Paul's side, I am on Apollo's side, I am on Peter's side, I am on Christ's side, Speaking like this, is the result of paralysis, They do not the hoist the cross; Instead, hoist their own party's flag. They fight among themselves, Waste their time, Waste their strength and opportunities. They die in their sickness, Through such people who brag about the strength of their body, The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ cannot be proclaimed! (I Corinthians 1)
- Paul planted, Apollo watered, God gave the increase,
 Let us exalt His name together
 through all those who say so and are united by the Holy Spirit
 The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ
 is being proclaimed expeditiously! (I Corinthians 3)
- Though they were called to proclaim the gospel
 They do not understand the call,
 Though they have received the trumpet on hand,
 Though they have received all the facilities
 that are needed to proclaim
 They do not use them to proclaim the gospel
 They do not give any importance to it
 They are numb in their heart
 and they tie everything in old clothes,
 Through these people who are dead in the soul
 The Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ cannot be proclaimed!
 (Ezekiel 33)
- Whether they get time or not, we get time or not,
 Whether men listen or not,
 Without fear and without shame,
 Though, received the jaw bone
 They use them to the extent possible to proclaim the gospel
 With the thought that they are indebted to proclaim the gospel,
 Through all these who move in haste
 The gospel- trumpet is blown loudly,
 The trumpet of heaven is blowing loud,
 His voice is spreading vigorously! (Romans 1:14-17)
- Yes, all those who have the desire,
 The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ touches and blesses them,
 Through all those who involve in the gospel work
 The Gospel of Lord Jesus Christ
 Touches others and blesses them!
 If all those who read this, say that you have these blessings,
 You are really blessed! Amen!

From the Network Chairman

Dearly beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace unto you in the name of Lord Jesus Christ.

God has given me the grace to be in touch with you through the February issue of Samarpan. Whenever I attempt to write the experiences of my ministry that flash my mind, my heart goes out to praise God. Yes, Lord, "I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done" (Ps. 143:5).

I had been invited to share the Word of God in the youth meeting held at Baptist Church, Veeraghattam of Srikakulam district, Andhra Pradesh in 1993. While I was standing in front of the church, the previous night, a middle-aged person approached me and asked, 'Who are you? Why have you come here?" I told him that I had come to share the Word of God in the youth meeting held there. Then, I asked about him. He said in English, 'Sir, I studied in the seminary for 7 years to become a catholic priest in this city. I discontinued in the middle.' Pointing his finger towards the beautiful Eastern Ghats, he said that there were numerous villages over these mountains without servants of God. Pastors are in search of cities alone that have facilities. Saying so, he left the place.

The next day morning, the church was filled with Telugu youth! I saw a few Sora youth listening intently to the Word of God, standing outside the church. I met them, after the meeting. I asked them whether they knew Jesus? They replied yes! When I asked them how, they said that they and the people of their village would gather and listen to the Vishwa Vani Telugu radio programme that was broadcasted every night. I was excited to see the joy on the faces of the youth. In my enthusiasm, I told them, "we have a gospel van, and we would visit your village tomorrow." Come, we will wait for you, they said. We requested a person to stand for us on the road to pick us up to their village, as it was situated in a remote, dense forest among the mountains!

The next day, climbing up and down the mountainous roads, our vehicle could not reach the place on time. There was no phone facility, those days. We were delayed by many hours. But, that person was waiting for us at that place, even though it was very late. We parked our vehicle and started to walk into the dense forest to reach the village! It was a tiny village! They all gathered around us with great enthusiasm! We conducted a meeting! It was a village without a church and a pastor! Radio programmes were their teacher to lead them towards God.

Vishwa Vani had partnership with Odisha Sora Baptist Churches, but we did not have the same for Andhra Pradesh Ministries during those days. We had Radio and follow-up programmes only.

The village called Shantimanuguda that we visited 30 years ago is an

important mission center for our present ministries! This village is totally transformed with hundred percent Christians! Kurma Rao and Anand Rao are the two youth that I met the other day. They are not highly educated. But, they are deeply interested in Christ and gospel work. We called them both to our training centre in Hyderabad in 1994 and trained them. Finally, the ministry among the Sora people in Andhra Pradesh commenced. Today Anand Rao has been ordained to continue pastoral ministry and coordinates Vishwa Vani ministries among Sora villages. He is also raising young leaders for Sora Ministries.

There are 164 mission fields in 2 major districts through the grace of God. He is leading the ministry in 822 Sora villages. 204 church buildings have been built. Besides, we have the vision to share the gospel in 1250 villages before 2030.

27th Sora Convention:

The number of believers attending the Sora Convention held in the months of February and March for the past 26 years is continuously increasing! Yes, there will always be growth, when the Holy Spirit works! In the beginning, there was a small group. But, now there are more than 15,000 believers who gather for the three-day convention. They gather and stay in the tent with great interest to know more about Jesus Christ! The 27th Sora Convention is to be held in Bhumikaguda field from 16-18, February 2024. The missionaries and church elders have been taking efforts for the past two months. Kindly pray for the same. In 2016 November, wild elephants entered this Bhumikaguda village, that is situated in the dense forest. It destroyed all the houses. Through the help of the children of God, we were able to construct 14 houses for the believers and raised a church also for the glory of God. Praise the Lord.

Come Forward to Send Your Ministry Portions!

The budget for the 27th Sora Convention in Bhumikaguda, where 15,000 believers are expected to gather is Rs 35 lakhs. It will meet the expenses for food for three days, sound and light facilities, mats and pre-requisites for Holy Communion. Kindly send your portion for this meeting. Kindly contact your area development staff or representative, if you are interested in attending the meeting.

Once, they were in the darkness of ignorance. But now, they are touched by the gospel and have been elevated in their social and financial standards. They serve as missionaries, doctors, nurses, and engineers, now. Jesus Christ is the One who has given them, this kind of Life. Praise the Lord! Come forward to adopt the Soura villages. Give your special offertory to the area development staff and get receipt. May the Lord richly bless you and your family!

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him. (Psalm 22:27)

13.01.2024 Yours in Christ Hyderabad P. Selvaraj

JESUS - THE ONLY GOSPEL FOR EARTH AND FOR ETERNITY

- Rev. Dr. S. Emmanuel Gnanaraj - Director - Prayer Network

One Good News for all humanity Only one has given by heaven

Yes beloved, Jesus is the only gospel that heaven has given us. Luke 2:10, 11 says "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." This is the message given by the angel during Christmas time. This is the good news given by heaven. Consider this news. I could remember the words of Emil Annan "Sins forgiven has the Good News! God came as sacrifice is the special news! Jesus himself is this great news! Receive it, for you, this is right news!". The next two stanzas are very meaningful. "Soul is sanctified, says the Good News! God can be reached is the Special News! As you taste it, it's more precious! Receive it, for you, this is the right news!". Jesus is the gospel. All those are pure in heart can see Jesus (Matt. 5:8). This is the gospel that is related to God. "Heaven is given is the Good News! Grave is glory says this special News!" This is the grace of God and the eternal life that was given to us through Jesus Christ (Rom 6:23). It was Jesus who made death a celebration and that is Good News. Who is this Jesus?

Who is Jesus?

If Jesus is the Good News given to mankind by heaven, then we need to find who is this Jesus? The Scribes and Pharisees were subjected to confusion so they began to question who was Jesus. They questioned John the Baptist whether he was Jesus to answer the people who have sent them. John said that he was not the Messiah (Jn 1:22). We read in John 8:25 that people asked Jesus who He was? "The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."" (Jn 10:24). We must see from the Scriptures what Jesus has revealed about Himself. Then we could clarify our doubts.

IAMHE

Jesus said in 4 verses that "I am He". This raises us the question who He was? We need to see the verse that Jesus reveals that He was the Messiah whom the Jews of those days were waiting. We read John 4, the

conversation of Jesus with the Samaritan woman asking for a drink. In that incident the woman questioned where we need to worship God and Jesus replied, "God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth". The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you—I am he." (Jn 4:26).

The Jews were confused whether Jesus was the Messiah or the Saviour of the world? For them He replied in Jn 8:24 & 28, "if you do not believe that I am he, you will indeed die in your sins." He said that I have come down from heaven to save you. He made it clear that if they believe Him, then they will be saved or they will have eternal condemnation. In Jn 8:28, Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he". Jesus said to His disciples at the last supper, "I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe that I am who I am." (Jn 13:19).

I AM the Bread of Life:

One of the miracles that Jesus performed to reveal Himself was to show the people His authority by feeding 5000 people with 5 loaves and two fish. After which "Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill." (Jn 6:26). Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? (Is 55:2). Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty... I am the bread of life. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." (Jn 6:35,48,51). This bread is the bread that was broken for us as a remembrance during the communion. He is the Living Bread.

I AM the Gate for the Sheep

Read John chapter 10. Jesus reveals Himself as the Gate for the sheep. One can get the privilege to enter His family through Him. His Sheep will listen to His voice and follow Him.

I AM the Good Shepherd:

Jesus reveals Himself as the Good Shepherd in John 10:11. He searches us who are lost in the world as a Good Shepherd. He also has given His own life to redeem us. That is why He said a Good Shepherd will give His life for the sheep and He did it.

I AM the Resurrection and the Life:

The life of Jesus Christ did not end up giving His life for us. He was victorious over death and rose again. We see this fact shared by Jesus with Martha when her brother Lazarus died (Jn 11:25). I am the resurrection and the life. Martha believed it and so Lazarus got life. All those who believe that Jesus is the resurrection and the life, does not fear death. He is resurrection and life!

I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life:

The disciple asked Jesus to show the Father. For them He replied, "I am the way and the truth and the life. "(Jn 14:6). One can come to the Father through Jesus. "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12).

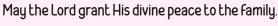
I AM the Vine:

All those who accept and believe that Jesus was sent as the Saviour by God to redeem mankind must lead a fruitful life. It is not enough for them to join a Christian fellowship. They must stand firm in the relationship with Him. That is why Jesus says in John 15, I am the Vine, you are the branches. Abide in Me.

Beloved, it is a privilege that we own this Jesus. Can we stand firm in Him and please Him? Or do we stand as Paul to whom Jesus said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,". There is no greater blessing that making Jesus our own!



Kindly uphold Bro. Kinson and his two sons Daniel and Peniel who is the founder of 'The Lord's Sword' Ministries, and they are supporting our ministries regularly in Tuticorin. Bro. Kinson's wife Mrs. Priya Kinson (48) went to be with the Lord on 9.12.23.



Moreover, they dedicated the 7th missionary as preplanned on 14.12.23. and has sent the missionaries for the salvation of the Ho people in Odisha. We praise God for building the kingdom of God in any situation! — Melban



...For you, LORD, have done as you pleased (Jonah 1:14)

01Jammu Kashmir

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 13

Praise God for 153 people who have received divine peace through the gospel meeting in Pragwal field. Glory to God for the 25 new people who are interested in the Word of God and have joined the Believers' Fellowship. Praise God for Kamini's family from Krimchi village who are praising God for the gift of child after 4 years. Glory to God for the 5 new families that have joined Garotha field Believers' Fellowship. Praise the Lord.

Pray that God will open doors for the ministry in Sanjwali Mandi... Pray for Gabbar from Vijaypur whose vision is reducing... Pray for the consolation of missionary Rahul and his family as his father passed away... Pray for those who heard the Word of God in Jawana Vella and Ram Nagar.

02 Himachal Pradesh

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 28

Praise God for the 12 people who have professed their faith in Christ Jesus. Glory to God as missionary Gurudev is blessed with a child. Praise God for the church that was dedicated in Chilala field. Glory to God as the construction of the church in Bangran field is carried out according to His plan.

Pray for those who are against the ministry in Dole village... Pray to open worship groups in all the 223 villages where ministry is carried out... Pray for the missionary Prem Chunara and his family who are praying for a child for the past 6 years... Pray for the efforts taken to share the gospel to the neighboring villages by the believers in Nagrota Surian village.

03 Punjab

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 43

Praise God for the 48 people whose sins are forgiven by Jesus through the Seekers' Meeting. Glory to God for the 16 people who have professed their faith. Praise God for the 30 new families that have realized the importance of the power of the gospel and has joined the Believers' Fellowship. Glory to God as He has blessed the missionary couple Sandeep Kumar and Jyoti with a child.

Pray for the spiritual growth of the believers in Parmanand field... Pray for the missionary David Masih who has kidney stones and is under treatment... Pray for the follow up ministries for the youth camp held in 10 villages... Pray for the 18 youth who have come forward for full-time ministry and to start training for them.

04 Uttarakhand

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 28

Praise God for the Word that is sown in Aithal region. Glory to God for the 226 people who have heard the gospel for the first time. Praise God for Gaganpur villagers who are interested in listening to the Word of God. Glory to God for the new believer Sobhana and her family who have opened their house for the gospel work. Praise the Lord.

Pray for the 4 worship groups to be strengthened in the Word of God... Pray that the Holy Spirit will work in the hearts of the people who have heard the gospel in Nakuliya... Pray for the 23 people who are getting ready for the faith-confession service... Pray for God's leading to open fields in Uttar Kashi district.

05 Rajasthan

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 55

Praise God as young Babu Garasiya was delivered from drugs and was saved in the name of Jesus. Glory to God, as we have received Nanalal's family as the vessel of peace in Dhanpura. Praise God for the 37 people who have professed their faith in Christ Jesus. Glory to God for the open doors in the ministry at Dabadi and Bavdiduda villages.

Pray for those who have heard the Word of God in Lalada and Thoomat villages... Pray for the couple Punakandor and Babali which has been waiting for the gift of child for 9 years... Pray to get missionaries for the interior villages in Gangartalai taluk... Pray for Kamesh's family from Jagta village to be strengthened in the love of Christ and His faith.

06 Bihar

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 90

Praise God for the 10 people who have professed their new faith. Glory to God for the believers who have donated cycles for the 5 missionaries working among the Magahi people group. Praise God for the 1158 people who have heard the love of God through the Seekers' Meeting held in 208 places. Glory to God for the 58 new families that have accepted Jesus as their Lord.

Pray to send missionaries for the 325 villages that have been identified

for the ministry through the survey... Pray to commence training for the 65 youth who have committed themselves to minister in the hamlets in Bihar... Pray to purchase a land for the construction of church for 17 worship groups where the believers are increasing... Pray to start the community development programme for the widows and orphans.

07 Jharkhand New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 72

Praise God for the 7 Oraon people who have professed their faith in Jesus. Glory to God for Sunita Kachhap's family which has given up brewing illicit liquor. Praise God as Shiv Nandan Ram was saved from poisonous snake bite and the name of Christ is glorified through his witness in Gogda. Glory to God for Anil Minz who has given up drugs after hearing the gospel.

Praise God for the salvation of the 850 people who have heard the gospel for the first time... Pray for Main Devi's family which has been waiting for a child for 10 years... Pray that God will remove the evil works that are seen in Tal region and the people will increase their standard of living... Pray for the 9 new missionaries who have gone to the field to be used mightily by the Lord.

08 West Bengal - Coochbehar New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 14

Praise God for the 12 families that have heard the gospel for the first time in Dharia field. Glory to God for Mainabari villagers who are interested in hearing the Word of God. Praise God for Godho Murmu and his family which is the vessel of peace in Singimari. Glory to God for the young Abinash Munda who has accepted the Lord.

Pray for the Bible Study Group that functions in Ramthenga to be changed as Worship Group... Pray for the new believer Prasanjit Das to enable the family to know the love of Jesus... Pray that many people will attend the church of God that functions in Dawaguri... Pray to get the joy of salvation for Sibram Soren and Akhil Roy Sarkar's family.

09 West Bengal – Darjeeling New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 13

Praise God for the 8th batch of tailoring classes that were completed in Bhuban Jote field. Glory to God for the new contacts that we have received after the revival camps in Ghoshpukur. Praise God for the 12 families which are interested in listening to the Word of God in Fulbari Busty. Glory to God as Arashi Minz has repented and the whole family is at peace!

Pray for Simanti Oraon who is suffering with tumor in the brain... Pray to get missionaries for 15 villages in Darjeeling district... Pray that new people will attend the Seekers' Meeting held in Matigara and Taipoo fields... Pray for the 4 people who are getting ready for the faith confession service.

10 West Bengal – Kolkata New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 89

Praise God for the miracles and wonders that happened in the fasting prayer held in Raina field. Glory to God for the 4 people who have joined Gopinathpur Believers' Fellowship. Praise God for the 9 people who have professed their faith in Christ. Glory to God for the 390 people who have heard the Word of God through the Seekers' Meeting.

Pray that God will bless the efforts of the missionary Pikan Singh who is sharing the gospel in Baidyapur... Pray for the 140 people who are attending the preparatory classes for the faith confession service... Pray that God will raise the standard of living of the people in Teghari and Nimauchandghar region... Pray to get a land for the construction of church for Sarisha Worship Group that has 45 believers.

11 Sikkim New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 02

Praise God for the 273 people who have received peace after hearing the gospel and are interested in knowing more about Christ. Glory to God for Bikash Limboo from Kambol village who has stopped taking alcohol after hearing the gospel. The whole family is at peace. Praise God for Paulika Rai who is able to hear clearly after prayer. Glory to God for the 5 people who have joined the Believers' Fellowship.

Pray to construct residences for the missionaries at Lower Rakshey, Lower Rimbi and Lower Bhaluthang fields... Pray for the spiritual growth of the believers in Topung field... Pray for the 25 people who are attending the preparatory classes for the faith confession service... Pray that the living conditions of the people in Tesengthang and Hatthidhunga fields will increase.

12 Assam New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 64

Praise God for the new church that has been dedicated in Lakhigaon field has become a service centre for the villagers. Glory to God for the 45 villages that have been identified for the ministry in Goalpara and Sonitpur districts. Praise God for the 8 new churches that God has given among Mishing, Rabha and Bodo people group. Glory to God for the Lopongtola believers who have offered their land for the construction of the church.

Pray for the churches in Chandanpur and Darampur to be established in the Truth... Pray to purchase a land for the construction of church in Auninari where the number of believers is increasing... Pray to start community development projects for Santal people group in Kokrajhar district... Pray for the healing of Biju Narzary from Sursakata field as he is paralyzed and his lungs are affected.

13 Manipur New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 8

Praise God for the ministry in 59 villages that have returned to normal

condition. Glory to God for the houses of Bishore Singh and Sarita Chanu have become Bible Study Centres. Praise God for Subhash's family which is the vessel of peace for Mamang Leikai village ministries. Glory to God for the 4 families from Khunpam field which have heard the Word of God and are attending the Believers' Fellowship.

Pray for Premjit and Sarina Devi who are facing oppositions for the sake of their faith in Christ to be strengthened in the Lord... Pray for the restoration of the people who are mentally affected as their houses have been burnt and they have lost their loved ones... Pray for the 10 people who are attending the preparatory classes for the faith confession service... Pray for the churches in Lamka and Moirang villages to grow in Jesus Christ.

14 Tripura

New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 18

Praise God for the 45 people who have professed their faith in Christ. Glory to God for the new church that was opened in Holongthai Kami. Praise God as Kamal Debbarma, who was tormented by evil spirits for the past 4 years, was delivered in the name of Jesus. Glory to God for the 18 people who have heard the gospel and are transformed in Khowai region.

Pray for Fultali from Pijuesh who is addicted to drugs and for his family which is financially backward... Pray for the 16 people who are getting ready to profess their faith in Jampuijala field... Pray for the consolation of Mary Debbarma and his 12-year-old son Aikha from bishramganj field whose husband passed away... Pray for the 45 people who are attending the Believers' Fellowship newly to be strengthened in the Word of God.

15 Odisha – Ho. Santali New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 35

Praise God for the 19 youth who have committed themselves to work among Santali and Ho people group. Glory to God for the opportunities to open fields in Joda and Badbil. Praise God for the 11 people who have professed their faith that Jesus is their Saviour. Glory to God for the miracles that God is performing in the field after the fasting prayer meetings in 9 fields. Praise God.

Pray for those who are opposing the ministry in Adel Sahi... Pray for the completion of church construction in 10 fields... Pray that the works of the Holy Spirit will increase among Mayurnachuni villagers... Pray that God will give new souls for the gospel meetings in Dandapani region.

16 Odisha – Kandhamal New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 15

Praise God for the 130 people who have heard the gospel for the first time in Khajuripada. Glory to God for the missionary Alok Nayak who has recovered from his leg injury that was fractured and has started the ministry. Praise God for the believers in Senapadi who are preparing a land for the worship group. Glory to God for the revival camps that were held among the Kui people group in 4 centres and 1500 believers have been benefitted.

Pray for the 22 new believers who have accepted Jesus Christ to be strengthened in the Word of God... Pray to get musical instruments for Tejakia field... Pray so that Laribadi villagers may get road facility... Pray to get 10 new missionaries for the interior villages of Tumudibandha taluk.

17 Odisha - Paralakhemundi New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 42

Praise God for the 34 people who are attending the night meeting held in Kalanyanipur. Glory to God for the 78 people in Sutharajpur field. Praise God for the 210 people who were strengthened in the fellowship through the missionary families fellowship held in Likitipadara. Glory to God as He has blessed missionaries Jatan Majhi and Pradeep Majhi with a child!

Pray for the increase in the fruits through the gospel work that has been started in Hundijali... Pray for the Word of God that has been sown in Bhatiguma and Dimbiriguda... Pray for the completion of Church construction in Dolama and Pedaguda... Pray that God will open doors for ministry in Molatipur and Golanda villages.

18 Chhattisgarh – Champa New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 44

Praise God for the 11 people who have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and have professed their faith. Glory to God for the 10 new missionaries who have opened new fields in the villages where the love of God has not reached. Praise God for Arjun as he has been delivered from evil spirit through prayer. Glory to God for the 754 people who have heard the gospel for the first time and are interested in hearing it again. Praise the Lord.

Pray to start the construction of church in Sontarai and Joradol... Pray for the salvation of young Dinesh who is addicted to drugs... Pray for Anusuiya's family which has been praying for a child for the past 11 years... Pray to get cycle for the 10 missionaries who have entered the field newly.

19 Chhattisgarh – Raipur New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 44

Praise God for the medical camp that was held at Mandir Hasaud field which was beneficial for 75 people. A worship group was established in Durug. Glory to God for Rakesh Sahu who has put an end to taking alcohol after hearing the gospel. Praise God for the 45 people who have newly joined the Bible Study.

Pray for the 2 new missionaries wh have joined the field ministry newly as full time workers to be used powerfully by God... Pray to get a

computer and printer for Raipur field office... Pray that there will be great result for the Word of God sown in Kharora and Kalle... Pray for the efforts taken to start tailoring classes in Mandir Hasaud field... Pray.

20 Madhya Pradesh New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 102

Praise God for the open doors for ministry in Gadauli village. Glory to God as Daya Ram's family has received peace as he has repented. Praise God for the 5 people from Bina field are strengthened in the faith. Glory to God for Mala who has been delivered from the evil spirit in the name of Jesus. Praise the Lord.

Pray for the new believer Dhani Ram to bring her entire family to faith through her witness... Pray for Anjana's family which has been praying for the gift of child for the past 5 years... Pray for the oppositions that are seen in Navagaon field... Pray for the first faith confession service arranged in Khimlasa.

21Gujarat – Ahmedabad New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 70

Praise God for the youth who have come forward from Amreli district to do the ministry. Glory to God for the field that has been opened in Ajanva region where the people are inclined towards the gospel. Praise God for the contacts that God has given in Mahisahar province. Glory to God for the expansion of the ministry in the interior villages in Chota Udepur and Banaskantha districts.

Pray for the efforts taken to start ministry in Rajkot jilla... Pray that God will meet the people who are against Vankadi field believers... Pray for the faith confession services that are to be held through the missionaries Labhu Bhai and Raju Bhai... Pray to get a proper land for the construction of church for the Sabarkantha believers.

22 Gujarat – Navsari New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 17

Praise God for the 2 new villages that have been identified for the ministry through field survey. Glory to God for Vira Ben's family that has opened the house for gospel work. Praise God as Ashish Kumar has been saved from a road accident. Glory to God for Lalita Ben who has been healed from mental illness in the name of Jesus

Pray that God will strengthen the legs of Dipak Bhai who has not been able to walk for the past 6 years...Pray that God will bless the efforts taken to improve the ministry in Mahuva taluk... Pray for God's guidance to commence the ministry in 17 new villages... Pray that God will establish the ministry in Puni and Ranath through the new souls.

23 Maharashtra New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 101

Praise God for Jyoti Khanger's family which is the vessel of peace in Dhorwada field. Glory to God for Murali's family which is voluntarily working for the ministry in Malida province. Praise God for Janabhai who has been healed from rheumatoid arthritis through prayer and is glorifying God. Glory to God for the church building that is under construction according to His plan in Satalwada field.

Pray for the spiritual growth of the believers in Shahapur and Biloli fields... Pray for the youth who have heard the gospel in Kushnur village... Pray for the families that are addicted to alcohol in Jahur region... Pray for the completion of the church building construction in Sonegaon, Gultare and Saidanipada fields.

24 Telangana – Hyderabad New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 41

Praise God as the oppositions that were seen at Chennampalli have been removed and the village leader has opened his heart to the gospel. Glory to God for helping us to commence Bible Study Group in Mogullompu. Praise God for the 65 villages that have been identified for ministry in Narayanpet jilla. Glory to God for the youth in Vatvarlapally field who have been preparing themselves to join full-time ministry. Praise the Lord.

Pray for the complete healing of missionary Ramaswamy who met with a road accident... Pray for the completion of the construction of church building in Loyapally... Pray for the healing of the people attending the medical camp in Nagar Kurnool and Ranga Reddy districts... Pray for Venkapally province that is filled with evil works.

25 Telangana—Hanmakonda New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 30

Praise God for enabling us to start Bible Study Group in 6 villages that surround Pulimadugu web-centre. Glory to God for the 10 villages that have been identified for ministry in Mulugu district. Praise God for 3 youth who have committed themselves to full-time ministry. Glory to God for He has saved the people who were opposing the work of missionary Sai Kumar.

Pray to get road facilities, primary health centre and safe drinking water for Umri village... Pray for the redemption of people in Besthagudem who believe in black magic... pray for the growth of Talamadugu church... Pray to get 10 cycles and 10 speakers for Khammam ministry.

26 Andhra Pradesh – Manyam New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 15

Praise God for Thammanaidu from Singannapalem field who was paralyzed for 3 months and was healed through prayer. Glory to God for the new church in Dasaradhapuram field. Praise God as Simon whose kidneys were damaged has got new life through prayer. Glory to God for the open doors for ministry in the villages in Jalumuru Mandal.

Pray that the Holy Spirit will work in the hearts of Palem village leader...Pray that 6 churches that are being constructed in Manyam district will be completed by March... Pray for the 135 people attending

the preparatory classes for the faith confession service...Pray to get land for the construction of church in 15 villages... Pray that the villagers from all the 378 villages where the ministry is being carried out will be blessed.

27 AndhraPradesh – Vijayawada New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 62

Praise God for Veeranna's family which is the vessel of peace for Gandi Cheruvu Gudem village ministry. Glory to God for Anjamma who has been healed from Tuberculosis through prayer. Praise God for Badramma's brother who has heard the gospel and has put an end to alcohol and has started to attend the church. Glory to God for opening doors for ministry in Thammadapally and Bodenaik Thanda villages.

Pray so that the hearts of the village leaders of Billagondi and Pandivanipalli villages will be filled with the love of God... Pray that new people will attend Gouthamgudem field worship group... Pray that Guruvamma will stop taking alcohol... Pray that the neighboring villages of Venkatadripalem field will accept the gospel through its believers.

28 Andhra Pradesh – Srikakulam New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 15

Praise God for the new church that has been started among the Sora people in Naiduguda. Glory to God for the 153 villages that have been identified for gospel work through the survey. Praise God for the 2 families that have joined the Believers' Fellowship in Kotturu field. Glory to God for opening doors for ministry in Rangadagati, Kudduba and Mamidiguddi. Praise the Lord.

Pray for the preparatory work for Sora Mela in Bhumikaguda field... Pray for the completion of the construction of church in Thamaraguda and Bengasai... Pray to commence worship groups in 194 villages... Pray to send missionaries for Mandasa and Meliaputti.

29 Karnataka New Workers to be recruited in 2024: 89

Praise God for the 2 families that have joined Chikkachelluru Believers' Fellowship. Glory to God for the new believer Manjamma and her family which is witnessing Jesus mightily in Rekhalagere. Praise God for Jyothamma from Ghataparthy village who was saved without any hurt as her house had fallen down. Glory to God for Majamma from Gowrasamudra was raised from her 20-year sickbed through prayer. Praise the Lord.

Pray that the Word of God sown in Gudalu village will work in the hearts of the people... Pray for the families that are backslidden in Chikkahalli to repent... Pray for the preparatory works for the faith confession service in Hirehalli... Pray for the spiritual growth of the new believers attending Basavakalyana field worship group.

DEBORAHS In the ministry

The Lord gave me the privilege to see the ministries at Tapi district in Gujarat



growing in the love of God. The church in Kambhala has completed its 25 years on 12.12.23. They have organized Deborah mela and 2000 women attended it.

The message shared by Mrs. Philomena and the events organized by every believer brought glory to God; it gave encouragement to the young believers to be strengthened powerfully in their fellowship with God! We greet all the Deborahs who are shining bright in God's ministry. - Regina Raj, Mumbai

Greetings and Thanks

8 missionaries were dedicated on 19.11.2023 at the 125th dedication service of Pillayanmanai Holy Ascension



church. Honorable pastors Rev. J.T. Daniel Alfred, and Rev. Selvaraj dedicated the missionaries to carry the gospel to regions beyond. We thank the pastors, the church committee members and the families who support the missionaries. — Jenish

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do not have enough strength to climb the mountains of Sikkim. Accepting the light and leading offered by the Word of God, I visited the mission-fields in Sikkim. It was a long travel. All along, I was singing the meaningful song "You're everything to me, My Jesus" " from the bottom of my heart. The vehicular traffic was moving at snail pace as the bridges damaged by cloud burst are yet to be repaired completely.

It was wonderful to see the small houses on the slope of mountains where Lepcha and Rai people group live, their lifestyle that is twined with nature, the beautiful fields in the villages and the worship places where 35 believers gather and worship! They are rare creations of the Creator! It would be dark by 5 o' clock in the evening and ministry is quite challenging; but the grace of God was abounding.

The church buildings are raised gigantically in difficult fields like Rakshey, Tumin and Kambol. My husband shared the Word of God with the believers in Tumin field and even I had the opportunity to share my testimony, soon after. A beautiful church is raised in Lower Rimbi field on the banks of the roaring river! It is God's grace that the people there are gifted to sing and praise God. The gospel is shedding light and protecting the people from the evil acts and snares of Satan! God has given the privilege to the wives of missionaries to work exceptionally well among the women.

We praise God for the field workers' training centre, Skill development centre, evening tuitions for the children which function in Siliguri. This has brought great transformation among the people.

We thank God for brother Kingsley who like Apostle Paul is interested in the ministry and accompanied us on the mission trip. The effort of this young brother to unite the coworkers in brotherly love is worth mentioning! Kindly pray that the ministry in Northeast states of India will be strengthened and let us do what we can do for the Lord. May the name of Jesus be glorified. - Mrs. Viji Daniel Raja, Coimbatore



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The Gospel of Peace to the Santali Villages...

Blessed are those who inherit the open doors for ministry in Keonjhar jilla in



Odisha. We greet Rev. R.A.J. Selwyn Durai from St. Patrick church who dedicated and sent missionaries to Ghaispura field. We thank Dr. James and his family who support this worker. May the Lord use the assistant pastors, church workers, committee members, and ministry representatives mightily for His glory. May God bless them!-Coordinator, Tuticorin.

A CHURCH IN ASSAM AS SERVICE CENTRE

The Word of God that was sown in Lakhingaon field has grown 30, 60 and 100 fold. Every day is an event because the Holy Spirit works mightily there.

Among the 50 ministry villages in Kokhrajhar district in Assam, 8 worship groups have been formed. Among them, the 4th church that was temporarily constructed in Lakhingaon field was dedicated on 2.12.23. This



small church has become a service centre for the villagers and for the young Santali believers who are praising God with their whole heart! Praise be to God!

- Pandu Murmu.

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Lord God, who has been watching over the world intently!

of Dr. N. Emil Jebasi

ni Kami, Near Khumtoya

Though the world has seen many doctrines, intellectuals, and saints, ▼ There is no joy in the world! Though we have seen many kings, emperors, monarchs, dictators,

There is no Peace amidst us!

Though there are many schools, colleges, and scientific institutions, Our behavior has not changed! Fight between husband and wife, Fight among students, Clashes among caste and communities, War in the borders of the countries. Consequence - increase in physical and material losses! As men, without looking up to You, Lord Jesus, How are going to enjoy Joy and Peace,

Father, without change of heart, How can there be love! Lord God, as never before, We need the message of the cross, right now! Lord, raise harvesters, and ministry partners who support them,

Graciously, send the Good News!

In the name of Jesus, Amen!

Make everything new!

Tripura is a small state. It was once called Tripura Sundari, Hill Tippera and Kirat Desh. In history, dating to 1883, it was called Udaipur. Since the whole place is naturally suffused with the fragrance of 'Agar,' its capital is called Agartala. The source of livelihood for these people is the income that comes from their work in the tea gardens. rubber and bamboo. The state language in Bengali. But the people speak Tripuri, Reang and Jamatia.

The contribution of the Baptist and the Presbyterian Gospel Movements for Tripura is unforgettable. The light of the gospel has illuminated 520 interior villages through Vishwa Vani Movement, thus bringing the people from darkness to light. Church buildings have been built in 75 villages. It is our vision to bring prosperity and wellbeing to 1500 hamlets before 2030.

Holongthang field has 71 believers. The first believer offered his land for the construction of a church. On that land, a church was raised and dedicated by Bro. G.P.S. Robinson, Jesus Meets Ministries, on December 18 for the glory of God. May the Lord bless his ministry mightily.

The Kokborok Bible was translated meticulously from King James version by Rev. Dr. Naphurai Jamatia. This 10-year mega project was completed, and the Kokborok Bible was dedicated for the glory of God and for the benefit of the people of Tripura, on December 19 in the midst of nearly 1500 believers, Vishwa Vani Ministry Leaders, Bro. GPS Robinson and other special quests were present. 1000 Bibles were ready on that day! The Believers embraced their copy of the Kokborok Bible with the decision that they would read it day and night. Heavens would have certainly rejoiced on seeing this great occasion! Hallelujah! - CSR Brem Kumar, Chennai

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