

*For unto us a child is born . . . and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace . . . Isaiah 9:6*



Greetings to everyone in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is our privilege to thank you for your prayers and support. So many things have been happening over the last several months in the mission fields. ***God has blessed all of our church planting work, with evangelism, discipleship, establishing churches, childrens clubs in new villages, reaching the youth and helping the under privileged.***



Samuel is one of our church planters in Charla who works in five different villages. In each village, people have come to know the Lord Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior. They have been growing spiritually since. In some of the tribal areas, there has been severe opposition from anti Christian groups. Fifty-six believers have been threatened and privileges removed from the

village. They were warned to no longer go to church. Church pastors were also forbidden from entering into those villages. Recently while the work of the Gospel has been continuing, 12 of the church planters in various villages were kidnapped. By the grace of God and through the prayers of the saints, all of them have been released unharmed and are safe. In the midst of this opposition, I had the privilege of giving baptisms to seven different believers from these villages who have come to know the Lord.



Recently I visited all of our church planters in addition to those who were kidnapped and released. I encouraged them from Acts 12 when Peter was placed in prison and the church prayed and the Lord released him. Although you will go through suffering, God is faithful to deliver you when we are fulfilling the great commission. Storms will come as we are building the kingdom. The enemy is not comfortable and cannot stop God's purposes because of His promise from ***Matthew 28:18-20*** And Jesus spake.....All power has been given unto me in heaven and

*on earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.*



Naveen is a man who has been struggling with alcoholism and Idolatry and it almost cost him his family. He was having difficulty in life and never thought he would ever become anything in life. He had no hope and was continually discouraged. Several times he tried to take his life. One day he heard the Gospel through one of our church planters. He learned that Jesus can do anything if he would believe in him and surrender his life to Him. He kept his faith secret for two years due to family opposition. His wife began noticing the changes in his life. Finally he shared his faith with his wife and invited her to church and she came to know Jesus. Both of them have been baptized publicly. Naveen, his wife, Sirdavi, and children were excommunicated from the relatives. However, Naveen and family continue to serve the Lord and are growing in their faith steadily despite this.



Rani Sona was a Hindu girl that would dance for the idols along with doing the rituals with her parents. One of our childrens evangelists went to her village and started a children's club. She began coming to that club regularly, heard the stories from the Bible and gave her life to Jesus. She realized that Jesus is the only God, not the ones that they have been following. Her parents were very upset and began opposing the children's club. She came boldly and declared her faith before her parents. She explained to her parents how they can get saved and receive blessings from God. Eventually her parents came to know Jesus and gave their lives to Him. A family donated a piece of land to build a church in that village. Now five families and 27-30 children are growing spiritually and worshipping the Lord in that Millpada village. Several others are beginning to show interest. They don't have a building yet. Please pray for that region, for the salvation of the others in the village, along with God's provision so a church building can be constructed.

Our church planters, children, and youth workers have been going to many villages bringing people to Christ by presenting the Gospel and using discipleship literature to build them in faith on a regular basis.



A woman named Yellamma was a soothsayer who was dedicated to the goddess, **Rayasudu**, for more than 40 years. People would worship Yellamma and give her offerings. A couple of months back, one of the demonic spirits turned against her and threatened to take her life. This spirit tormented her until she wanted to die. She was brought to our church in Peddapally, by a believer while standing lonely at a rail gate to take her life. We shared the Gospel with her and prayed for her. She said if God would spare her life, she would do anything for Him. She

then gave her heart to Jesus Christ and experienced His peace. When she went back home, she no longer served **Rayasdu** or received offerings. As a result of this, her two sons and the community turned against her and gave her an ultimatum between Jesus or **Rayasdu**. She chose Jesus and was kicked out of her home by her sons. She came to stay with us in Peddapally and was delivered from the tormenting spirits and is growing in the Lord. Pray for her that God would keep her protected from her family who has recently been threatening her and my family. Right now she is staying with us and attending church.



By the grace of God the Lord blessed and was gracious to all our team to be His witnesses in five different states such as Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana. Each of them is reaching to more than three villages some of them are working in five villages. Every one of them established a worship center and house church in each village. Some of them have children's clubs and youth groups helping new believers grow spiritually and establishing worship centers for children and youth in unreached places. **We are conducting pastors and Christian workers training on different topics. Recently we conducted a two-day program on the work of Holy Spirit, and Christian suffering, etc. We are living in great times, preparing the bride.** Continue to pray for our tiny work for the blessing for many and for the glory of God.

**Our Prayer points:** 1) *Pray for all our team's safety.* From time to time we are attacked and opposed. We need a Spirit filled life and Holy Spirit guidance every day.

2) Monthly financial support for all the workers each month **\$3,000** to cover for all their needs. Out of **\$3,000** we are short of **\$1,600** and sometimes more.

3) Provision and Protection for all our children, underprivileged, and church planters.

4) We need **\$150,000** to purchase the property to build a discipleship training center, home for underprivileged and missionary children, Portion of the land will be used to grow food for children and missionary families raise some funds out of it.

5) We need **\$ 7,000** to print discipleship literature and **\$1,000** for translation of material into regional languages.

6) Rent and electricity bills need to pay **\$350** each month.

7) Please pray for our health, my parent's health, and safe travels as we go into difficult and dangerous places.

We are grateful to God and thankful to all who have been praying, supporting, and encouraging us to expand the Lord's kingdom give our love and greetings to all the friends and church members.

In His grace

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