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Missionaries to the People of India & Myanmar



New Year's Greetings from India!

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The end of 2018 and beginning of 2019 brought some sickness to our house. I had a bout of Dengue Fever and which required me to travel to Hyderabad's larger hospital for four days. Jerilyn then suffered from some sort of gastroenteritis. We are both well on the road to recovery, praise the Lord.

MYANMAR Much was accomplished while we were in Myanmar. **Bethel Baptist Church and Bible Institute** honored Jerilyn and I at the Sunday morning service. **Pastor Jacob** shared that it was God that brought us together with him twenty years ago. There have been fifteen graduates that have planted churches. Pastor Jacob's original goal was for three hundred churches to be planted in thirty years; he has since reset his goal to seventy-five and is confident the Lord will bless. We also saw the need for a post graduate program. Many of our graduates desire to further their education and go to other institutions. We agreed, our desire is not for them to go to facilities that may dampen the fundamentals that were taught at Bethel and their zeal for souls. Many of our alumni desire to have an encouragement camp or even correspondence courses.

Pastor Jacob presented us with the study Bible he worked on for five years. Its basis, of course, is the Judson Bible, but he has added study notes, cross references, and for the discipleship section, he used my discipleship program.

Currently there are twenty-two students at Bethel Baptist Institute. Seven desiring to plant churches. Others are seeking degrees in music, children's ministry, and evangelism. There are currently fifty orphans at Bethel Children's Home. Most are Buddhists. Many have gotten saved through the years, and in the past several years, ten have gone on to attend the Institute. Jerilyn and I taught in the institute and I preached to a full house on Sunday. There are three services on Sunday morning – one in Burmese, English and Tedim Chin.

Pastor PaLian continues to be faithful at **Mercy Baptist** on the outskirts of Yangon. It has been a slow growth, but he is faithful at visiting and preaching. He continues to send us a copy of his daily journal informing us of souls saved and folks that were visited and witnessed to.

We caught up with Hao Yang on this trip. Jerilyn and I had spoken several times at his orphanage. He was also helpful in translating materials into Burmese. We visited his orphanage about an hour outside of Yangon. We both taught the twenty-five eager children age seven to thirteen. Their singing was heart-touching! There was a young man there that had grown up in the orphanage. James' hope was to go to a Bible College. We presented him with a scholarship to Bethel. Another special blessing – our ten-year-old granddaughter had given us a baggy full of coins from her piggy bank. She had asked us to do something special. We were able to tell these orphans about Izzy. The consensus was that they would like some biscuits (cookies) and a coca cola. So, we had a special party and there were smiles all around.

INDIA Five hundred and two attended the 20th Anniversary Sunday of **Nambike Baptist Church**. Fifteen souls were saved. We held the grand opening of the new Sunday School classroom this Sunday. There are a few details left to do, but it is such a grand addition, thanks to the sacrifice of others.

We held our annual soul winning effort in November. We set up soul winning stations at three locations in two states and 1,500 stopped for refreshment and to hear the Gospel. Approximately 500 bowed their hearts and heads to ask Jesus into their hearts. It was so encouraging seeing our folks witnessing on porches, in a field, on the side of a well, as well as, in the main soul winning tents. After we had taken down our tent and cleaned up any cups or cookie wrappers left behind, we received an added blessing.

The area we set the main tent up was about a half mile where we usually set up. It was in front of a farmer's property and he gave us permission to set up and use his electricity. When we had finished tidying up, the farmer's two sons came out and thanked us for cleaning up so nicely. Well, that opened the opportunity to win them to the Lord, as well. Amen.

Didasko Baptist Bible Institute was attended by thirty-one students two nights a week. Jerilyn taught "Using Creativity to Tell His Story" and I taught "Inspiration of Scripture."

The blessings and challenges continue. Below is a snapshot of some of what the Lord accomplished.

Thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support.

Together, making a difference,

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Philippians 4:17



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1. Ribbon Cutting @ Nambike's new Sunday School Room
3. Soul Winning tent

2. Special party for orphans in Myanmar
4. Nambike's 20th Anniversary Sunday

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