

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

July 27, 2008

FIRST SERVICE MESSAGE:
Facing the Future with Joy!

Please join us for refreshments between services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday 27 July Dan Hardy.
Wednesday 30 July Evangelism.
Thursday 31 July Ladies Prayer Meeting.
Saturday 2 Aug Men's Fellowship Breakfast. Olde Orchard.
Sunday 3 Aug The Lord's Table.

- ** Wednesday night class involves learning different ways to present the gospel and the verses that present the Good News. Please make plans to attend and be equipped to present the good news.
- ** This September 11-21 is a great opportunity to join with Child Evangelism Fellowship to present the gospel at the State Fair. Please sign up at the back table. They will do training in the presentation of the "Wordless Book."
- ** This fall we are planning to do a Foundations class on Wednesday nights beginning September 24. It will run for 9-10 weeks. Please try to make plans to attend, even if you have been through it. Invite someone to join you.
- ** Please increase your prayers for TBC and specifically pray for wisdom and guidance for our outreach.
- ** Below is a summary of our financial status. For details see Roger.

	June	Year-to-Date	General Fund	Building Fund
Income	\$7,093.11	\$42,919.36		
Expenses	7,347.38	46,252.50		
Balance	(254.27)	(3,333.14)	\$6,868.11	\$7,167.14

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns
Joyful?

THOMAS AND MARYKUTTY SAMUEL
Quiet Corner India
July 2008

Dear Faithful Friends And Partners: You have been the backbone of the ministry. As you may know it is nearly thirty-five years ago that we have started the Mission in the jungles of South India. Thank you for your faithful support for the ministry over the years.

From the enclosed you will see the latest challenge the Lord has placed before us to reach; U. P. (Uttar Pradesh), in North India with Bibles. Kindly take a few minutes to go through it and do whatever the Lord burdens you to do. This is an extremely barren land for the gospel and the Christian population is less than 1%.

As you may know Millions in India continue to live in darkness and superstition. The only way they can be freed is to let them know the only true and living God, the God of the Bible. Now how will they know this unless someone gives them a copy of the Bible? Think of the number of Bibles a Christian home has, while in India the non-Christians have never seen a copy of the Bible.

You can sponsor 1, 25, 100 or more Bibles for U.P. and this would be a lasting and eternal investment for the sake of the lost in India. Also please let your church and friends know about the challenge we face in India. Praising God for your partnership in Bible Vision. Yours in His Mission, Thomas Samuel

Pray For BIBLE VISION INDIA, a Bible For Bible less Homes. We have already placed over 108,525 Bibles in 5491 Villages in 7 States.

BIBLE VISION INDIA - There are millions of Homes in India without a Bible. Though the Bible is translated into several Indian languages, the Bible remains with the Christians and has not yet reached the non- Christian homes. When presented the non-Christian receive the Bible with great respect and many consider it as their privilege to get a copy.

Quiet Corner India has been in the forefront these past few years placing Bibles in such Bible less homes in India. The Lord has now challenged our hearts to reach every district in Uttar Pradesh in North India with His Word; hence we share this vision and strategy with you. Our burning passion and vision is to saturate this nation with the knowledge of the only true and living God, the God of the Bible. How can they know Him without a copy of the Bible. Who can meet this gigantic need? Only an united effort of all God's people who love the Lord and this nation can help us to meet this challenge.

VISION: REACH U.P WITH BIBLES - Uttar Pradesh in one of the largest and also the most orthodox Hindu State in the Indian Union. Hinduism, Jainism and Islam have deep roots in this State. People are extremely religious and are hungry for God.

UTTAR PRADESH (U.P.) FACTS - U.P. has 71 Districts with a population of over 18 Crores (one crore = 10 million).

20 PILGRIMS CENTERS - 5 million people visiting these various Centers annually. Most of these are seeking salvation and peace!

VARANASI (BENARES) is one of the districts considered as - the most Holy city of the Hindus. It is also known for it's "burning ghats" on the banks of the holy river Ganges where dead bodies are burnt 24 hours of the day. If the dead bodies are burnt here their souls may go direct to heaven is the common belief.

- Christian population - less than 1 %
- Produced Five Prime Ministers of India in the past.
- Literacy is 43% and the main spoken language is Hindi.

The State is wide open for the gospel now and enjoys moderate democracy. Now is the time to move into this State with the Word of God, the Bible, which alone can show these hungry souls the way of salvation in Jesus, introducing the only true and living God. Our desire is to enter every district with Bible in our hands and prayer in our hearts.

"If you can win U.P. for Jesus you can easily win the rest of India so goes the saying".

MISSION - To place 1000 Bibles in 71 Districts in two to three years time (2008-2011).

STRATEGY - Establish prayer cell in each district. Co-ordinate with existing Churches, Missions & Evangelists in U.P. Establish 500 House churches in responsive villages after the sowing of His word. (Harvest after sowing).

BUDGET AND COST - 71,000 Bibles (1000 Bibles in each district)

71,000 Evangelistic Book "Voyage to Eternity" (each Bible is given with a copy of this powerful evangelistic book." Vehicles - 3 Jeeps to carry the Teams and Bibles, Travel and administration. Total cost of placing the Bibles in a home comes to \$7.00 per Bible. (This includes cost of the Bible, book and operational expenses.)

PRAYER NEEDS - Pray that the Lord would keep the enemy under control and that the Teams would enjoy God's protection and care.

- Pray that God would meet the budget of approx a millions dollars for three years. But this could well be one of the greatest investments anyone can make for lost souls in this land of India.
- Pray that God would give us like-minded ministry-Partners, Churches, Funding Agencies and individuals both to pray and to support us financially.
- Pray that Bibles would be available with the Bible Society for us to purchase since ours would be a large request.
- That God would add to us dedicated men and women as "Calebs" willing to endure hardness for the sake of the Gospel.

What is our credential for this gigantic step of faith? - yes, like David, we have only one testimony, and that is during the past seven years, God has enabled us to kill a bear and a lion here in the South as the Team entered 5600 Villages and placed over 100,000 Bibles in eight States. This meant traveling thousands of miles by Jeep and foot with Bibles in our hands, and prayer in our hearts. Now we are after the giant Goliath of U.P. The same God, who has helped us thus far will hand over Goliath to us to His glory. This is our only credential. Like Caleb we are claiming "Hebron (U.P.) the land of the Giants for Jesus". We do covet your prayers and support.

Facing the Future with Joy!

How to face Your Future

James 4:13-17

Everyone is interested in the future. James warns us about common mistakes we make regarding the future.

3 common mistakes to avoid

I. MISTAKE #1 _____

"Now listen, you who say "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business, and make money".

THE SOLUTION _____

"Instead, you ought to say, "IF it is the Lords will, we will live and do this or that" (vs. 13)

"We may make out plans, but God has the last word" Prov. 16:1

"We should make plans – counting on God to direct us". Prov. 16:9 (LB)

II. MISTAKE #2 _____

"Why, you don't even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. As it is, you boast and brag. All such boasting is evil". (vs 14 & 16)

Psa 39:4-6; Ps 102:3,11; Job 4:7,9; Ps. 103:15

"Come", each one cries "...Let us drink our fill of beer! And tomorrow will be like today, or even better" Isa. 56:12 (LB)

"Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth" Prov. 27:1

The Solution _____

III. I NEED A POWER _____ (vs. 19-20)

Paul's source of strength:

"... I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and the help given by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed ..."

"I have the strength to face all conditions by the power that Christ gives me."
Phil. 4:13 (GN)

LESSON:

IV. I NEED A PURPOSE _____ (vs. 20-26)

Paul's reason for living:

"For me to live is Christ and to die is gain" (vs. 21)

"Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."
Phil. 3:13-14

Paul's concern:
(vs. 22-26)

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PHILIPPIANS 1:12-26

"...I rejoice...and will continue to rejoice" (vs. 18)

The 4 essentials for joyful living

I. I NEED A PERSPECTIVE _____ (Vs. 12-14)

Paul's view of his circumstances:

"Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel"

When I face troubles joyfully

It (vs. 13)

It (vs. 14)

"And we know that ALL things God works for the good of those who love Him..." Rom. 8:28

LESSON:

II. I NEED A PRIORITY _____ (vs. 15-18)

Paul's response to his critics:

"But what does it matter? THE MOST IMPORTANT THING is that in every way, whether from false motive or true, Christ is preached. And because of the, I rejoice". (vs. 18)

"In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success". Prov. 3:6 (LB)

LESSON:

III. I NEED A POWER _____ (vs. 19-20)

