

George Family VISHAYSHUM

E-MAIL UPDATE - December 2010

“That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all Thy wondrous works.” – Psalms 26:7
Dear Praying Friends, December 2010

How quickly another year has gone by. So much has taken place in the ministry here in India and still so much work still is left to be done. As we come to the close of this 2010 year, we praise the Lord for each one of you. While we continue to eagerly listen for that shout, and the sound of that trumpet, we continue to labor.

New contacts continue to be made in Puthencruz. Pray for the visitation program. Due to the strong hold of the orthodox church in the lives of their church members in our town of Puthencruz, individuals have been restricted from having us enter their homes and hearing the salvation message. Although there is a resistance from the nominal church, God has been good to us and opened doors. Please pray for these individuals. They have received Christ as Saviour, but have not taken a decision in coming forward fully surrendering to Christ through baptism. We have invited them to attend Bible Studies, and church services. All the individuals understand the need for salvation because it is not taught in the church; however, they don't see the need to be baptized thereafter and live a separated life from their orthodox religion. Please pray for these couples as we follow up and minister to them, Paul/ Mary and Jithu, Vijayan/ Lissy along with their children. Vinod/Lissy, and Paul. ***Praise the Lord for the confessions of faith and baptisms*** of Arun and his grandmother. Arun's parents were baptized several years before, for Revi and Kunjumol new believers in the Lord who were baptized along with Arun several weeks ago. In the midst of testings and shut doors, God is good by bringing the increase and encouraging our hearts to continue the work. Our God is big enough to open any door and strong enough to open the hardest heart.

Families are breaking apart all over the world. Satan weapons of warfare of disobedience, mistrust, rebellion are causing more and more families to become seekers of pleasure rather than seekers of God. Western culture has now becoming the world culture. We knew there was a need, all the tell tale signs pointed to it and by God's grace we were able to conduct it. ***A one day family seminar was held in October.*** 175 believers from various planted churches attended. It was a blessing to see so many attend. Family problems are every where. Parents and youth not talking, not praying, not conducting family devotions in the home. Life has gotten too busy, too hectic to spend 20 minutes together as a family each night. Lord willing we have scheduled in January another one day seminar in the town of Kothamangalam. ***Please pray for the seminar.***

It has been over a year since the new work (Bethel Baptist Church) has been started in the town of Kothamangalam. We shared with you in the previous prayer letter of the salvation and baptism of 2 new believers. ***Praise the Lord for souls that continue to be saved in Bethel Baptist Church in Kothamangalam.*** We ask that you continue to ***pray fervently with us that the Lord will give us property to build this church. We need \$60,000.*** If the Lord is placing in your hearts a burden to give toward this need, please pray that the Lord will provide a way for you to give. We just don't have funds at the moment to use toward this project, and we are asking God's people to provide.

Please mark your calendars for the following dates and pray for evangelistic meetings planned throughout January. January 7-9 for Fellowship Baptist Church, Puthencruz. Please pray for the speakers as they begin to prepare their messages and that God will speak to the lost and open hearts of many to receive the Gospel. Please pray for the safety of all those who are involved and attend the meetings.

We had a delightful time with Pastor Rick and Mrs. Mary Weesner from Calvary Baptist Church in Geneva, Illinois. During their two week stay we were blessed to sit under his preaching and be challenged from the Word. We were privileged to have them come and minister to us. By God's grace they had an uneventful trip. We pray that the sights and sounds of India along with the entire ministry work done they will have blessed memories of their time in India. For those praying about visiting a mission field please write us. Come and spend some time with your missionaries, see the work that you all support and then go home with a challenge in your hearts regarding missions like you never had before.

Merry Christmas to each one of you and may God bless your New year. We daily covet your faithful prayers and giving to the ministry. You have been such a tremendous blessing. Words can't express our gratitude for the love you have shown our family through e-mails, cards, and gifts all throughout the year. Not one birthday card is missed for each one of us. E-mails are a wonderful thing but nothing beats the good old fashioned pony express.

Merry Christmas

~Santhosh, Sophie, Joanna and Jonathan George

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