George Family VISHAYSHUM

E-MAIL UPDATE -June 2012

"Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, Who has done great things: O God who is like unto Thee" (Psalms 71:19).

Dear Praying Friends June 2012

"Walking in the Spirit," based on the book of Galatians, was this year's 13th annual youth camp theme. Thank you so much for praying with us about this year's camp. By God's grace, the Lord enabled us to conduct camp over these many years through the faithful giving of His people. Hearts were challenged through preaching of the Word. This year's attendance saw 116 campers. Our 2012 teams were two teams whose object was to release all seven of their dam shutters. Every Malta Blue and Haly Green camper, with great enthusiasm and momentum, released each shutter through various team competitions. In the end, Haly Green overpowered to seize the coveted title of Youth Camp 2011 Champions. Praise the Lord for the 16 salvation decisions, many baptism and rededication decisions that were made by campers and staff. This year, more than compared to previous years, many campers dedicated their lives to full-time service. We request your prayers as we begin the follow-up process with these young people. One of the many highlights of our stateside trips was seeing the Wilds Camp in Brevard, North Carolina. We praise the Lord for the camp, as well for the vision of the camp directors to see camps started and strengthened around the world.

As soon as camp was over on Saturday, a tragic accident, yet all part of God's sovereignty, took place in the life of a young man in our Fellowship Baptist Church, named Alwin. He is a young man of 21 who had a terrible fall and cracked his T12 vertebrae. We had just unloaded the truck of camp things on Saturday, and here it is Sunday afternoon, and we are rushing to the ICU. After 60 some days between hospital admission and being on bed rest after discharge, praise the Lord Alwin came to church last Sunday for service. *Please pray for complete healing as the doctors have mentioned this may take many more months.*

After Santhosh conducted a church wedding the following Monday morning, we began our packing that afternoon for another short trip into the States to visit our supporting churches in the southern US from April 18-May 28. Each Wednesday and Sunday was packed with meetings. We began as a family traveling, but on May 1, Sophie and Joanna returned to India, seeing Joanna needed to begin her senior year of high school. Santhosh and Jonathan finished out the trip by the end of May and headed back to India safely. *Thank you for taking the time to pray for our safety as we travel.* It was a short 2-1/2 week trip, and we praise the Lord for journey mercies. As soon as we returned, Joanna's senior year began. As she enters her final year of high school, we ask for prayer that the Lord will give guidance in her present studies and in her future studies as we seek the Lord's will regarding college admission next fall.

Words can't express the hospitality shown to the children and our family through our pastors and their congregations. With all the airline flights, hours on the road, changes in weather patterns across the country, not to mention the various changes in the time zones, the children did great. We all stayed healthy and safe. We praise the Lord for a great, memorable, non-eventful trip. We end by again saying thank you so much to each one of you for your continued prayer support and financial gifts over these past months. Thank you for praying with us.

Back to India means back to full-scale ministry and school schedules. Please continue to pray and give toward the new work of Bethel Baptist Church, in the town of Kothamamgalam. We have shared with you by prayer letters, throughout the course of this year, the need for property to build this church. 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. Praise the Lord for the funds that have started to come in, and we have received \$5000 toward this great need. Please pray with us that we may reach our goal of \$70,000. Please pray for Molly Paul, a member of this church who recently had an automobile accident two weeks ago. She was traveling home with her family from church on Sunday, and the auto rickshaw they were traveling in fell over due to an oncoming motorcycle. She broke one rib and cracked two others. Please pray for her healing.

In closing, we wish to thank you for praying, and specifically praying for our health. Praying for our health is not a light matter. Due to the high humidity, Sophie's allergies wear her down at times, and with the monsoon just around the corner, we are susceptible to various types of viral infections and ailments. Because of folks earnestly praying, our family remains healthy to work and travel distances required in the ministry.

