

George Family **VISHAYSHAM**

E-MAIL UPDATE – June 2013

*“That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all Thy wondrous works.”
~Psalm 26:7*

We praise the Lord for another great year of Youth Camp. We went into our fourteenth year of camp with 17 counselors, along with various staff. No two camp years have ever been the same. We faced new challenges again as we went into this year's camp. More than once, we caught ourselves saying, “But...how will we manage?” Yet God heard, directed and all went well; God managed for us. By Monday evening, April 1, one hundred campers were signed in for the final registration and divided into two river companies, the Cauvery River Adventurers and the Periyar River Runners. With all hands on deck, full speed ahead and spirits flying high, everyone on board cheered on their victories. Each camper played tough and worked diligently to get their boats down the river across the finish line. With 13 major activities planned out for the week these boat men rowed neck-and-neck until the very end. The decisive activity was Scripture memory, and the Cauvery Team rowed on ahead a boat's length to finish the race.

Every camper was not only physically challenged, but also spiritually motivated and challenged to learn about God's character. The Word was preached three times a day. There were 20 decisions for salvation, many decisions for re-dedication, as well as many others for full-time service. We request your prayers as we continue the follow-up process with these young people. The Word has fallen on good ground, but now may it bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

A new work has been started in the town of Athani. Athani is in the Trissur district and is one hour from our planted church, Bethel Baptist in Kunnukulam. It is the main industrial area of Thrissur City, with plenty of government-owned and private industries. The work has been slow, without much progress since we started over a year ago. *Please pray for the church-planting efforts in this town.*

Thank you for your continued prayers for a family by the name of Saju, Mary, Sanu and Sonu. Since Mary's salvation a few months ago, she has been faithfully attending church. In the past few months, Saju has shown more courage to live in the truth he received and is now coming to church as well. We also praise the Lord that Sonu has given his permission to restart the Bible study in their home. Mary has given testimony for her desire to be baptized. Sanu has not been steady in his faith in Christ and has been refusing to attend the Bible study in his home, yet Mary is not discouraged. She has been actively sharing her faith with family and neighbors, and inviting folks to join the Bible Study in their home. *Please continue to pray for this family.*

We have some new changes coming up in our own family this year. Joanna wrote her final board exams in March to graduate from high school. The results came back and we praise the Lord she passed. *Thank you so much for your prayers for her.* Lord willing, she will be a freshman at Bob Jones this fall. *Pray as we make plans to come to the States in August and settle Joanna at school before returning in September.*

We would like to mention again that we wish to send everyone on our mailing list updates via e-mail. If you are receiving our prayer letters through the post, but have access to an e-mail address, please inform us if you would like to receive updates via e-mail. Our e-mail address is santhoshsophie@gmail.com. Many of you have been receiving our updates via e-mail for some time, so please let us know if there are any address changes. Thank you for your assistance in this matter, and thank you for your prayers and ongoing support for this ministry.

Serving the Lord with you,
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