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Grace for Grace

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A fully reached nation with an indigenous church in every village

Grace Fest in Allahabad

The Grace Fest was conducted in the Katra Mission compound which is situated in the heart of Allahabad city of Uttar Pradesh. The programme was organized on 11, 12, & 13 Nov. 2010 with the cooperation of the churches

Rev. Dr. Sundarraj, principal of Allahabad Theological Seminary (ABS) and Rev. C.P. Rajan, Area Director, AG church, Allahabad. The meeting was inaugurated by the blessed prayer of Rev. P. M. Thomas, the founder president of

last day meeting was chaired by Rt. Rev. Jagdari Massi, Bishop of Evangelical Church of India, Allahabad. The meeting was attended by about two thousand people both from the city and the villages. Many non-Christians also



1. Bro. D.J. Ajithkumar delivers the Word of God 2. Participants 3. Testifies how Jesus touched a woman.

in Allahabad. A committee was actively working for the success of this meeting headed by

Himalayan Evangelical Mission who pioneered the mission endeavour in North India half a century ago. The

attended these meetings. Many got healed and they testified the wondrous works of the Lord.

Grace Fest 2011 in Thiruvananthapuram

The Grace Fest 2011 was held from 1st to 4th January, 2011 at Kawdiar Salvation Army School ground, Thiruvananthapuram. A great multitude gathered together to listen to the Word of God. God enabled GMI to conduct this meeting successfully though the climate was not favourable. Bro. Ajithkumar gave message of Love of Christ which has to be practised in our generation by loving nature between God and fellow-being. It led to spiritual revival in the heart of the people.

different steps of lives which are based on faith. On the last day of the Fest, the message given was related to seven promises that are God's blessings. GMI music team

gave leadership for the music service. The four days meeting helped many people receive healing and dedicate their lives to the Lord.



All the glory to God: Grace Fest 2011 in Trivandrum

The following days, deep awareness was given regarding

Andhra villages moving with the Holy Spirit

GMI Mission News Bureau

Many people are attracted towards the love of Christ when GMI missionaries are keenly interested in spreading the Gospel in the rural areas of Andhra Pradesh.

Miraculous Healing Led to Salvation



Br. Suresh Paul Gorikotha ppally, who is ministering in Nissampally, visited the houses with the Gospel in Kona Ravuppetta and Ganjire Nigudum villages. By prayer, the bodily ailment of Valsamma and Mogily was

healed. Jacob and Rahel came back from backsliding. Satheesh, the truck driver, who was seriously injured in an accident, was miraculously healed. Kindly pray for Br. Suresh so that he can be more useful for the Kingdom of God.

Baptized into Christ

Br. Shalem Raju, who is ministering in Vikarabad of Rengareddy district in Andhra Pradesh, is spreading the Gospel through personal evangelism, tract distribution and house visiting. As a result, Babu Rao of Keraly accepted Jesus Christ as his personal saviour and took water baptism. Sister Bekkama was completely delivered from her pain in her right leg caused due to an accident and as a result the whole family got saved.



Deliverance from Bad Habits

Br. Prakash Babu is ministering in Gunrathy Madhugu village. Through his prayer Aruna, Padma, Santhoshima, Peda Thanda, Lekshmi, Elizabeth, Ram Babu got healed from their sickness. After having heard the Gospel, Venkidesh, an alcoholic, accepted Jesus Christ and received deliverance from drunkenness. As a result, the whole family got saved and now they are living peacefully and happily.

Expressing the Love of Jesus

Baskula Komaryya in Leberthy had been suffering from fever for more than five days. Br. Arunkumar who is ministering in Leberthy, Annaram and Varthnappett came to know about it and took the sick person to his home and treated him well and prayed for him. As a result he was completely healed. Please pray for our missionary, Br. Arunkumar.

Coming to True God

Sister Sujatha, a twenty - year old lady from Vikarabad Thanda , was suffering from multiple infirmities in her body. She depended on idols and witchcraft for healing, but all in vain. When Br. T. Abraham who is our missionary in Theguklagudom told her about Jesus and prayed for her, she realized the truth and was completely healed. Now she is regularly attending the worship services. GMI missionaries in different districts of Andhra Pradesh are sincerely working for the extension of God's Kingdom and we have responsibility to uphold them in our prayers.



Let's pray for the Mission Fields





WE HAVE A FATHER IN HEAVEN

D.J. Ajithkumar

Christian Spirituality is the one which gives freedom to mankind to call God Father. The Bible introduces God to mankind as a God with *Satguna*, a Supreme spirit (*Paramatma*) which is beyond the concept of non-personal mere power a *nirguna parabrahma (Chaitanya)*. In the Old Testament the revelation of God as a father was less though He was protyard as unseen, unreachable, omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent. One of the revelations which Jesus revealed in His Gospel was the personality of God, that is, God is a father. It helped human being to obtain and increase the attachment, *bhakthi* (devotion), and love towards God. But, it can't be said that in the Old Testament is missing this revelation – the revelation of the personality of God. It is good to see a few illustration in the Old Testament in this regard.

Moses presents God in the book of Deuteronomy as the father of Israel. "He is your father" (Dt. 32:6) Like a man carries his son, God carried you (Dt. 1:31). Further, a covenant is given in the case of Solomon, the son of David by God: "he will be my son

and I will be his Father" (2 Sam. 7:14; 1 Chr. 17:13; 22:10; 28:6). The verses related to this concept in the Book of Psalms are comfort and hope giving scriptures. Merciful father (Ps. 103:13), Father of Orphans (68:5), Gracious Father (89:26) and so on. Here, the picture is more clearer than that of the previous books about the fatherhood personality of the Creator.

Isaiah visualizes God as the eternal father (Is. 9:6). "You are our Father and we are your handiworks, we are clay, you are our Potter (Is. 64:8, 63:16). Jeremiah says even God expects mankind to call him Father (Jer. 31:9, 3:19). Malachi also reveals that God is the Father of all (Mal. 1:6, 2:10).

Jesus is the one who gave many expositions which prove the fatherhood of God (Matt. 5:16, 45, 48; 6:9, 26; 7:21; 23:9). This is evidenced more in the Gospel according to John than any other Evangelists (Jn. 4:21; 5:17; 6:46; 14:28). Jesus frequently speaks about the relationship between the Father and Himself. Sometimes He said "I and my Father are one", and sometime "Father is greater than I" (Jn. 14:28).

All the apostles did not have any problem to understand this revelation.

Paul: (Rom. 4:11, 16; 8:5; 2 Cor. 6:8; Eph. 4:6; Heb. 12:5-11)
 Peter: (1Pet. 1:17)
 James (Jam. 1:17)
 John (1Jn. 3:1; 2:1) etc.

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Miracle in Nepal



Bro. Rajendra Kumar Harijan working in Mahalbari of Nepal is actively engaged in the village evangelism. God is using him very powerfully. Munju, a woman from Godva village was suffering from skin disease. She underwent their traditional way of treatment, but could not be relieved. At last, she was brought to the missionary and he prayed for her. She testified that she got completely healed by the healing power of Jesus. Now, she is attending church here.

We have a Father

When God is pictured as father, it is also necessary to understand the inevitable call of God for the fulfillment of His expectation about mankind.

Agape Love

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust” (Mt. 5:43-45). Anyone who wants to become a child of the Father in heaven must have the very nature of His Agape – Love in Him. The nature of agape love of the Father prays for the enemy and loves him. That nature sends rain to the good and evil people. Jesus demands every mankind to receive this nature of His Father. “Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect” (Mt.

5:48). This is what He meant in his precept in this verse. “As your father is perfect you also be perfect”.

Seperation from Sin

“Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what com munion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: I will dwell in them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people. Therefore Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you” (2 Cor. 6:14-17). Here it is said that, the divine relationship of Father – children has given to man in order to show that there is no partnership between righteousness and lawlessness, or light and darkness. God further demands a righteousness and just life from His children.

Disciplines & Trials

“And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: My son, do not despise the chastening of the Lord, Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; For whom the Lord loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives. If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect, Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness. Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of

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Miracle even for the Doctor



Suresh Paul, working in Nissampally, Warangal district of Andhrapradesh, says that in the previous month Mr. Komarayya and Swrupa got healed

and started coming to the mission station for worship. Mrs. Rejitha, a woman, requested prayer for her delivery. Doctor doubted that her baby in the womb did not have normal growth and she would have a premature baby. But Br. Suresh Paul prayed and it was so surprising for the doctor that she delivered a normal child that weighed two kilograms. At this, they began to believe in the Lord and started coming to church regularly.



Missionary Journey

GMI organises a missionary journey for those who are willing to visit and know the mission work which is being carried out by Christian missionaries in different parts of India. It is a ten-day missionary journey which covers the states of Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra. Kindly register your names if you are interested in it.

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GRACE FESTS : Jharkhand And West Bengal

Own Correspondent

Love India 2010 programme ended after Pakur Grace Fest in Jharkhand. Pakur city in Jharkhand was a part of Bihar filled with tribes named Santhal. Here the Grace Fest was conducted on 17, 18, 19, January 2011 with the cooperation of Methodist and Pentecostal churches. It was a blessed time for many to receive healing and the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Some of the youths dedicated

their lives to Lord's service. The honorable guests were welcomed as per their custom. Rt. Rev. Mosses Prasad, District superintendent of Methodist Church, inaugurated this Fest. Bro. D J Ajithkumar delivered heart touching message which caused to experience a revival in Pakur people.

It was the first time in the history of New Farakka in West Bengal that a Christian public meeting

was conducted. New Farakka is situated in the border town of Bangladesh nearby the Ganga. Though it is a historically important place there are not many churches or Christian missionaries. There are only 29 Christian families staying. In this situation Grace Fest channelled many to hear the true Gospel and to receive Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. It was the

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Grace Fest in Pakur, Jharkhand; 2 & 3 People crowded to attend the Grace Fest in New Farakka, West Bengal & Music service done by children

Breath Back to the Child: A Miracle



Bro. Babu Santhappa working in Thoppur villages of Salem District of Tamil Nadu is mightily used by God. Some days back, Kavitha a girl of five-year old in Panaukadu village almost lost breath by crying continuously for three hours. The neighbours rushed to the missionary and reported the matter to him. He rushed towards the hut and carried the child and prayed. Suddenly, God healed the child and gave the life back. Praise God for this miracle.

Demon Possessed Healed

Bro. Prakash Babu focuses his work on Gunrathi, Warangal District and covers Chimmepudi, Mahabubad, Gollagudar, Dihba Gudam, Kohdam, Pedathanda etc. He prayed for Anusha, a young girl who was brought by some villagers for prayer for the deliverance from the bondage of devil. All the church members prayed together with Bro. Prakash Babu, and God healed Anusha. Now she is actively participating in church activities.



GRACE FESTS:

blessed time for the people who had gathered over there.

Next meeting was held at New Farakka Barrage ground from 13th to 15th December 2010. Bro. D.J.Ajithkumar delivered the message regarding the love of Christ and salvation of souls. It

was so beneficial to many to receive Christ as their personal Saviour and healing from God. Some people shared in their testimony the miraculous healings happened in their lives during the time of prayer which encouraged many people to put their faith in Christ. Another

wonderful incident was that people were rushing to the front to obtain a copy of the New Testament. The copies were being distributed from the stage. Bro. G. Albert, Regional Coordinator of GMI in West Bengal, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and Sikkim, took leadership to organize Grace Fest in the states of West Bengal and Jharkhand. Kindly pray for this missionary and his family and other missionaries who are working over there to work for the Lord effectively in the coming days. Let's pray for this city so that many churches can be established shortly.



People come for prayer by dedicating themselves to the Lord in New Farakka. A woman gives testimony about healing



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Four Persons Came Back to Life

Bro. Shalem Raju, working in Vikaribad, Renge Reddy, A.P reported that he prayed for a four-member family which has seriously been affected by food poison and admitted in the hospital. God healed all the four persons miraculously and it became a miracle among the villagers. As a result he could start a new Sunday school in Kothare village.



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Grace Home in Nepal

Bro. L. Devaprasad

A number of blessed activities have been growing up in Nepal under the auspicious of Grace Ministries of India. As part of the TIMES, we reached Nepal and had an opportunity to celebrate this

Christmas with the Grace Home children. We were able to spend sometime with the little children of Grace Home too. I along with my wife, Rev. John Alex and GMI Regional Coordinator Br. G Albert

and family reached the village of Salbas from Kerala. We can see houses made of mud and bamboo sticks. The mixture of mud, cow dung and hay used for the floor gives out a feeling of walking on carpet floor. We were able to see many agricultural products without using any pesticides.

Keeping in attention of this village and other five villages, a GMI missionary Br. Dalbahadoor Gurungu and his wife, spread the good news of spiritual life. This brother controls the Grace Home here. As we approached the Grace Home, we could acknowledge that little children

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Br. G. Albert, Rev. John Alex & Br. Dal Bahadur Gurung with the children in Grace Home, Nepal

We have a Father

righteousness to those who have been trained by it" (Heb. 12:5-11). Apostle, here says that the discipline and the trials come from the Father of Spirit to ultimately give peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. What child is there whom a parent does not disciple? (12:7), this is the question. Trials mould us, and uplift us to a higher spiritual level of 'Gods own People' (Rom. 8:15-17). The condition is, we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him (Rom. 8:17).

At the same time, the father in heaven is also portyard as a compassionate father (2 Cor. 1:3). When Jesus said the parable of the Prodigal son, he

presents the Father as one, who was moved with compassion while seeing his son still far off (Lk. 15:20); he ran and put his arms around his son and kissed him.

Care and Compassion

"Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" (Mt. 6:26).

Once two sparrows were sitting on an electric post in Kolkata town, a very busy town! People were very fast walking and running here and there in the city. By looking into them, one sparrow asked the other. Why these people are so much fast? Where do they run! What really happened to them? The

other sparrow surprisingly replied: "Perhaps they may not have a father in heaven".

Jesus says: "Our father in heaven cares even a sparrow", then how much more father in heaven will care you? Are you not of more value than they (Mt. 6:26).

We have a father in heaven who takes care of us, feeds us, protects us and lives for us – this was the Gospel of Jesus! What a blessed message it is! Even today Lord Jesus says the same promise to the people of today facing many challenges, burning issues, multifaceted pains and various critical sorrows.

You have a Father in Heaven!

Amen



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running to brother Albert just as a child would run up to his or her father. We thanked and praised God for GMI to establish love and care among these little children who have never had a chance to be with their parents.

Br. Dalbahdoor Gurung, who is more than sixty years old, has five children who are married. Of the five, one - Br. Karna Bahadoor- is working as a missionary of GMI in Narsai. Another son, currently working in Kadmandu had reached Nepal with his family to celebrate Christmas with his parents. Around that time, we also had a wonderful meal with the children of Grace Home. Due to power failure we were forced to have the meal in the dim light of candle, yet

it was so delicious. We were able to conduct Christmas worship with the help of a well-set generator even in between eight hours long power failures. The church which was inaugurated on 25th December 2009 is now filled with people. The hall wasn't spacious enough for the people who attended the service on 24th December 2010. It is their culture that children come upon stage and dance during praise and worship time. They also sang songs with the help of different instruments which appropriately matched their sweet tunes. Eventually, the Christmas speech was given by Br. Albert. Then we all dedicated a Christmas carol to them. Our Christmas get-together lasted till late evening.

We took part in the Christmas worship in the church hall of GMI missionary, Br. Rajendra Viswakarma in the village of Bhumai on 25th December 2010. Rev. John Alex gave Christmas message there. After having lunch with them, we returned to India carrying the memories of the little faces of the children of the Grace Home.

Do take into consideration the fruit giving work of Nepal. Many needs remain unfulfilled. In a country like Nepal where the gates of the Word of God have been closed till recently, God's work progressing is just a miracle. Will it be able to lend out your hands to bring these people into the Love of Christ? Will it be able to help in these fruit giving ministry? *

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