

SEMI MINISTRY UPDATES

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PRAISE THE LORD

Introduction: “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand”. Isa 41:10. We thank you Lord for making this promise fulfilled in our lives and as well as all our friend especially during this Covid 19 .

First of all we want to thank God and all of our praying friends around the world for your prayer, encouragement and money was so important to our ministry. Here are some ministry highlights.

AMEN helped poor Pastors and believers through SEMI: Amen was really a shadow and shelter for this Covid time. So many Pastors benefited from the food bags, since their churches were shut down for a long time, we helped 300 plus pastors by giving food kits in different places. Some photos below.....



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SEMI's ministry in North Karnataka: It's the very least evangelized region in India. In the City of Bangalore there are lots of opportunities for the gospel or perhaps we can call it the capital of India mission. But outside of Bangalore there is so much of gospel still needed. Also it's the location we face so much of opposition from Hindu fanatics. I remember I and Ponna when we were with OM had gone through lots of Persecution and hardship. Now our students who are came from North Karnataka have developed a wonderful ministry among tribal and untouchable communities. Now SEMI has a wonderful church with so many bible believing people. I and Ponna travelled a lot to reach this Internal villages but it made us very much happy to see what the Lord is doing among them, through SEMI.

SEMI Church among a Tribal group called Akki Polki.....

Their major work is Bird hunting and trapping. And they sell them from to village by village. They believe in forest and jungle gods.....SEMI is planting Fellowships and Churches now.....they were only free at the midnight, so myself and Ponna shared Gods word to them.....please see the photos.....



Ministry among Lambaides.....

Lambadi's are the other village group and the very least evangelized people group. Wood cutting and sailing is their main work they struggle a lot during this Covid time. They don't have Bible or NT or any part of such thing. Our SEMI missionaries are working hard and they have a good number coming for fellowship and singing time. Recently I and Ponna visited them, we met them at night in their hut. Please look at the photos.....



Mission Challenge among "Untouchables....."

These untouchables (people those who are considered as the very bottom low cast) they are poor in all aspects of life. They are the daily labourers, but struggle a lot for their daily living during this Covid . After 8 years of labour SEMI has a wonderful worship community from different scheduled cast and tribe. Our students paid a big price to win a single soul, still they face persecution at any time but praise the Lord this church is growing and souls are being adding to church day by day. Recently we had the privilege of visiting and encouraging them shall we look at some photos.....



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please pray for my great burden to reach the North Indian people
- Odisha orphanage children is another SEMI's challenge
- Need support and sponsorship for North India Mission
- During coming Christmas, Village Poor people and pastors need blankets

- **Our Poor Sunday school children need mobile phone and Tablets to do their online studies**
- **Our son Ricky wanted to do BBA course in Bangalore needs a sponsor for him**
- **Health for Roy and Ponna to control diabeties**
- **Our 16ys car not able to run now we are in a urgent need of a ca re for going on long distance journeys to preach Christ, please pray**

FINALLYWe have a big thank you to AMEN for supporting our ministry since long years, now we see lots of result in the mission fieldsWe thank you very much Gareth Bolton, Malou and Chris Chatfield for making in action, our vision and mission through the prayer and support from Christian friends around the world. Please continually pray for our Covid situation in India which is very pathetic, but thank the Lord for AMEN helped us for a number of times during this Covid, it was really benefited for many to eat food without starving.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL OUR MY DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST, WE ARE EARNESTLY PRAYING FOR YOU.

**From the mission Battlefield
Roy & Ponna**