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VISION

Every people group in all the states of our country has a witnessing church run by its own people.

MISSION

We as disciples of Jesus Christ are committed to go to any unreached people group, wherever our Lord leads us to make indigenous churches.

VALUES

Love of God, faithfulness to God and man, and concern for the lost souls are the core values of India Church Growth Mission.

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. *Rev 7:9*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the living name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The months of May and June were truly blessed and meaningful seasons of ministry. The Psalmist declares, "Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed" (Psalm 34:5). Through this promise, the Lord calls our nation to turn its eyes toward Him so that His face may shine upon us and His blessings may rest upon our land.

On 8th and 9th May, I visited several village churches in Madurai District, Tamil Nadu, where the closing ceremonies of the Children's Vacation Gatherings (CVG) were held. The children joyfully recited the memory verses they had learned, sang the songs they had been taught, and received prizes for their participation. It was a delight to see their enthusiasm and growth in faith. These gatherings reminded me of my own Sunday School days and reaffirmed how vital it is to teach children the ways of our God from an early age.

On 10th May, the Paranampatti Church in Madurai District celebrated its 38th Anniversary. On this joyful occasion, the newly constructed parsonage was dedicated to the glory of God, and I had the privilege of sharing God's Word with the congregation.

The CVG closing programmes were also conducted in our churches in Chhattisgarh State. The children eagerly listened to God's Word in their mother tongue, and teaching materials were also provided in the local vernacular. I express my heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Dr. Dhinakaran Richard, Mrs. Sheela Nagarajan, and her team for their valuable assistance in translating these materials.

A Gondi Missionaries' Training and Retreat was conducted from 26th to 29th May at Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh. I also shared the Word along Rev Leslie Nagarajan. The retreat was attended by enthusiastic missionaries, including the newly appointed four missionaries. It was a time of spiritual strengthening, practical training, and mutual encouragement.

We conducted the North Region Annual Family Spiritual Retreat at Raipur, Chhattisgarh, from 5-8 June for our missionaries and their families. It was a blessed time of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and encouragement as we sought the Lord together.

By the grace of God, two newly constructed churches were dedicated to His glory on 10th June in Narayanpur District, Chhattisgarh. We praise the Lord for His faithfulness. Church construction is also progressing in three locations in Chhattisgarh and at Indira Nagar, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu. We covet your continued prayers that these projects may be completed without hindrance.

The cost of educating children continues to increase each year. As in previous years, we are planning to provide educational assistance to the children of our missionaries. We humbly request your prayerful consideration and generous financial support to help meet this important need. Your partnership will be a great encouragement to those who faithfully serve the Lord in challenging mission fields.

Thank you for your continued prayers, love, and faithful support. May our gracious Lord richly bless you and your family as you continue to stand with us in His mission.

Yours in His service,

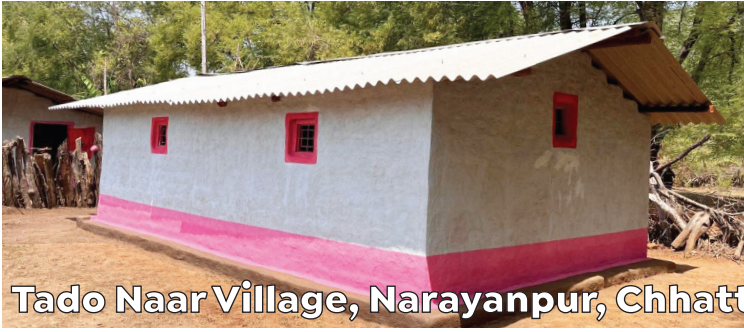
S. David Solomon,
General Servant

Letter
from the
General Servant



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The Two Newly Constructed Churches Were Dedicated to the Glory of God



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Kangal Village, Narayanpur, Chhattisgarh – A New Village Where Electricity and Borewell Facilities Are Still Unavailable.

Gondi Tribe Missionaries' Training and Retreat Program in Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh



North Region Annual Family Spiritual Retreat, Held in Raipur, Chhattisgarh



Ongoing Church Construction In Indira Nagar, Madurai



From The Word



We read in Acts, The early church was born in power, filled with the Holy Spirit, and united in prayer and fellowship. But the church entered a painful season. After the death of Stephen, a great persecution broke out against the believers in Jerusalem. Many were forced to leave their homes and scatter into different regions. At first glance, it appeared that the enemies of the gospel were winning. Yet God used this difficult moment to advance His mission. Acts 8:4 says, “Those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word.” This passage teaches us that God’s mission continues even in hardship.

1. God uses persecution to advance His Mission

The chapter begins with great sorrow and suffering. Saul approved the death of Stephen, and severe persecution arose against the church. Believers were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. However, this was not outside God’s plan. Before His ascension, Jesus had already declared in Acts 1:8 that the gospel would spread from Jerusalem to Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. What persecution forced outward, God had already purposed beforehand.

Throughout Scripture, God often uses difficult circumstances to accomplish His purposes. Joseph told his brothers in Genesis 50:20, “You meant evil against me; but God meant it for good.” In the same way, persecution became the pathway for gospel expansion. The enemies of the church wanted to silence disciples, but instead the message spread farther.

The church today must remember that hardship cannot stop God’s mission; opposition or suffering defeat the purpose of God. Sometimes God allows discomfort to move His people into new places of ministry and witness.

2. Every disciple is committed to the Mission

Acts 8:4 is one of the most important missionary verses in the New Testament: “Those who were scat-

tered went everywhere preaching the word.”

Notice that it was not only the apostles who preached. Ordinary believers carried the gospel wherever they went. Men and women who had fled persecution became missionaries in new regions.

This reminds us that the mission of God is not limited to pastors, evangelists, or missionaries. Every Christian is called to be a witness for Christ. Jesus commanded all believers in Matthew 28:19–20 to “go and make disciples of all nations.” Wherever God places us becomes a mission field—our homes, workplaces, schools, and communities.

The scattered believers did not wait for perfect conditions before sharing their faith. Even in fear and uncertainty, they continued proclaiming Christ. Their focus remained on the gospel rather than their suffering. As believers today, we are also called to carry the message of salvation wherever we go. God often spreads His church by scattering His people.

3. The Mission will continue because God Is Sovereign

The central truth of this passage is that God remains sovereign over every circumstance. Stephen died, believers suffered, and Saul attacked the church, yet none of these things stopped the gospel. In fact, the church grew stronger and spread wider.

Jesus had promised in Matthew 16:18, “I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.” Human opposition cannot destroy what God has established. Saul himself, who once tried to destroy the church, would later become the apostle Paul and carry the gospel across the Roman world. God can even transform enemies into servants of His mission.

This gives disciples confidence today. The mission of God does not depend on favourable conditions; it depends on the power and sovereignty of God. Our responsibility is to remain faithful. Whether in comfort or suffering, we are called to proclaim Christ boldly.

Acts teaches us that scattered believers can still be faithful disciples fulfilling the last command of Jesus. God used persecution to spread the gospel, ordinary disciples to preach the word, and painful circumstances to fulfil His mission. The same God still works today. May we continue making disciples of all nations.

Testimony



I am Ashvanti Kachlam. I was born in and raised in an Adivasi, non-Christian family. Our family consists of five members: my mother, elder brother, two younger sisters, and me. My father passed away in 2018.

Before I came to know Jesus Christ, I followed the traditions of my community. My father was a Hindu priest, and many people came to our house seeking healing. Like others in my village, I worshiped tribal gods and goddesses

and participated in prayers and fasting. Growing up in such an environment, I was far from God and lived without knowing the truth of the Gospel.

My elder brother was the first person in our family to attend church. Although our family opposed him, he remained faithful to Jesus Christ. After the death of my sister in 2017, I began attending church and listening to God's Word. The message of Christ's love and sacrifice on the cross deeply touched my heart. In March 2018, I attended a youth meeting where I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. I committed my life to Him and prayed that I would faithfully do His will and serve Him.

Later, my mother and sisters also started attending church regu-

larly, bringing great joy to our family.

One of the difficult times in my life came when my father died in 2018. Some relatives blamed my brother and me because we had become Christians. I also struggled with stomach pain from childhood. In 2019, I was hospitalized, and doctors mentioned a blood-related illness. After returning home, I prayed daily, asking God to protect me. By God's grace, my stomach pain was completely healed, and I remain thankful for His care.

My educational journey at Bible college was challenging. Because of illness, I missed several years of school. Eventually, I returned to my studies and completed Grade 12. Unsure about my future, I prayed for God's guidance. Several people encouraged me to attend Bible college. Though hesitant at first, I continued seeking God's will, and through the encouragement of my pastor, I joined Jubilee Memorial Bible College.

Studying has not been easy because I struggled with English and often doubted my ability to succeed. However, God's Word continually encourages me, especially 1 Corinthians 1:26-29, which reminds me that God chooses the weak for His purposes. I am currently pursuing a Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) and learning more about God every day.

Please pray for my studies, spiritual growth, and family. My desire is to serve God through youth ministry.

Praise & Prayer

Praise God

- For the dedication of two churches in Chhattisgarh on 10 June 2026.
- For the four students who have been enrolled at Jubilee Memorial Bible College (JMBC), Chennai.
- For the blessed Gondi Missionaries' Training and Retreat conducted in Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh, from 26-29 May 2026.
- For the North Region Annual Family Spiritual Retreat held in Raipur from 5-8 June 2026. The meetings were a great blessing to all who attended.

Pray for

- For the ongoing church construction projects at Indra Nagar and Kurunaikalpatti, Tamil Nadu.
- For God's provision and guidance in the construction of three churches in Chhattisgarh.
- For God's blessing upon the VC Meeting to be held in Vadipatti from 14-16 July 2026.
- For God's provision and guidance for the theological students and their studies.

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