



GBBM Monthly Newsletter (June 2023)

“This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” *1 Timothy 2:3-4*

Dear Brethren in Christ, greetings from India!

We hope our friends in the US are enjoying a pleasant summer. In my part of India, we finally started receiving much needed rain in June. Thanks to all of you who prayed for rain and for a break from the extreme heat.

Christian persecution (attacks, destruction of church buildings, and arrests of pastors and leaders) continues to escalate in India especially in the Manipur State. Please continue to keep our Christian brothers and sisters in your prayers.

GBBM’s Church Planting Pastors (CPPs) regularly discuss ways to take the Gospel to the Banjara people during our monthly meetings. Through this process we discovered a useful curriculum called Truth Centred Transformation (TCT) from Reconciled World Organization. One method in this curriculum GBBM has learned about is “The Acts of Love”. Our church leaders and members plan to deliberately use acts of love to connect with our lost neighbours, people in the villages and family members and to eventually share the Gospel with these people.

We praise the Lord for June’s results as the GBBM team: shared the Gospel with 6,121 people, hosted 3,776 children in programs, rejoiced as 217 people accepted Jesus, and 9 people were baptized. The GBBM CPPs started visiting 61 new villages and planted two new churches in the second quarter.

Aletheia Banjara School is running smoothly with over 400 students enrolled.

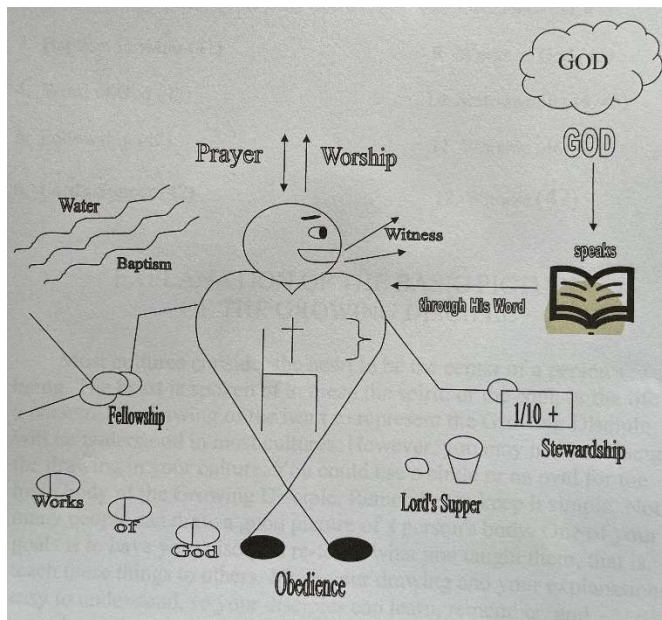
Thank you for joining hands with us as we share the Good News with the lost Banjara people in the remote villages of India.

Pastor K S Naik

Church Planting Pastors' (CPP) Activity Update

	Key Growth Areas - 2023	Jan. - March	April	May	June	April - June
01	Villages Served (Monthly)	393	403	403	464	464
02	New Villages Reached (Updated Quarterly)	38	-	-	61	61
03	People Hearing the Gospel (Total)	18,335	5,714	6,463	6,121	18,298
	a. People Hearing the Gospel (First Time)	10,397	3,400	3,842	3,625	10,867
	b. People Hearing the Gospel (2 or More Times)	7,938	2,314	2,621	2,496	7,431
	c. Number of Gospel Presentations	-	-	-	1,160	1,160
04	People Accepting Jesus Christ as Saviour	877	189	180	217	586
05	Active Bible Study Groups	92	78	76	75	75
06	Children Being Ministered To (Monthly)	3,760	3,588	3,890	3,848	3,776
07	House Churches	160	160	160	162	162
	a. House Churches (< 10 Baptized Believers)	96	96	96	97	97
	b. House Churches (> 10 Baptized Believers)	64	64	64	65	65
08	Believers Attending Worship (Weekly)	1,984	1,754	1,778	1,897	1,810
09	Offering Collection (Indian Rupees - Monthly)	125,687	34,683	46,754	51,334	129,771
10	Pastor Assistants/Leaders in Training	137	97	137	137	137
11	New House Churches (Updated Quarterly)	2	-	-	2	2
12	Baptisms	92	28	10	9	47

Discipleship Program: GBBM CPPs have been studying “The Growing Disciple”. This book contains Twelve Lessons from Acts 2:36-47. The lessons are



THE GROWING DISCIPLE	
TWELVE THINGS A NEW BELIEVER NEEDS TO LEARN AND DO	
Acts 2:36-47	
1. Lordship of Jesus Christ (36)	7. Prayer (42)
2. Baptism and Filling of the Holy Spirit (38)	8. Obedience (41-47)
3. Baptism in water (41)	9. Works of God (43)
4. Word of God (42)	10. Stewardship (44, 45)
5. Fellowship (42)	11. Worship (46, 47)
6. Lord's Supper (42)	12. Witness (47)

essential for a every believer. GBBM’s CPPs plan to teach these lessons to all believers in the 162 GBBM home churches from August to November. This discipleship training will leverage the GBBM G2 & G3 leaders.

The GBBM team also attended the Truth Centred Transformation Program. This program is focused on wholistic discipleship. **WHOLISTIC DISCIPLESHIP-LEARNING TO WALK IN OBEDIENCE TO GOD IN EVERY AREA OF LIFE.**

Core principles of the program are: 1. Depending on God 2. Nurturing Truth and Confronting Lies 3. Integrating Physical and Spiritual 4. Mobilising Local Resources 5. Pursuing God's Ways 6. Partnering with Churches 7. Serving the Vulnerable.

Expected results:

1. God is Glorified
2. Churches & church members grow
3. Communities move out of all Forms of Poverty.



God has Reunited Mukhesh and Swapna: Mukhesh and Swapna have been married for 12 years and have two sons. After two years of marriage, Swapna could not sleep at night and often shouted at Mukhesh for no reason. Mukhesh abandoned Swapna and started living with her parents in a village where GBBM CPP Pastor David Naik ministers. Swapna was taken to witch doctors and even to a pastor for help but received no relief. One day Swapna's father shared her problem with Pastor David. Pastor David took Swapna to a psychiatrist and helped her get other medical treatment. For the past three months Swapna is doing much better and Mukhesh and Swapna have reunited. Swapna praises God for restoring her health and for the reunion of her family. Please pray that the entire family commits their lives to Jesus. CPP David visits them weekly and teaches them from the word of God.



God has saved Meghana's Family: Meghana was led to Christ last year by a college graduate, Avinash, the son of a GBBM CPP. Meghana's mother and siblings embraced the Gospel immediately, but her father initially opposed them. Now Meghana's father, Srinivas, believes in the Lord and is attending church with them. Last week, Meghana praised God and rejoiced because of her father's salvation. We praise and thank God for His mercy and for the sacrifice and resurrection of Jesus for this family.



Update on CPP Sakram Naik: Pastor Sakram is on dialysis and feeling better. His pancreatic levels have improved. GBBM pastors visited Sakram and his family to pray with them and to encourage him. Please continue to pray for them.



Pray for Peace in Manipur: Please continue to pray for the believers in Manipur. Recent videos showing the horrible and brutal violence have shocked the entire country irrespective of faith. In these turbulent times, we look to God knowing that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

ALETHEIA BANJARA SCHOOL UPDATE



Praising God for the Fruits: Aletheia Banjara School celebrated its 14th Anniversary on July 16th, 2023. Leaders of GBBM International and GBBM in India experienced many highs and lows while establishing this school. Numerous donors and friends offered prayers, helping hands and donations to make ABS a reality. As we look back on the past 14 years, we celebrate the Grace and mercy of God Almighty



Muni Naik awarded Med school scholarship (photo below).

Anil Naik awarded Engineering scholarship at IIT (photo below).



as we see the fruits of our labour. We are blessed to report that every student from the initial ABS graduating class (except two) have completed their bachelor's degree. One student, Manjula, not only completed her Engineering Degree, but has been accepted at Wichita State University, KS-USA to pursue her Master's. Two other students were awarded scholarships at prestigious medical and engineering campuses in India. We thank God for all our students and pray that He continues to Shepard them, we pray that they take the good news taught at ABS and are bold in sharing His word with the lost.

Thank You

Thank you for your prayers and support for the GBBM ministry, the GBBM Church Planting Pastors, the Banjara people and the teachers, students, and staff of Aletheia Banjara school.

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