



GBBM Monthly Newsletter (November 2022)

“Yet, Lord, you are our father; we are the clay and you our potter: we are all the work of your hand.” Isaiah 64:7

Dear Brethren in Christ,

Greetings from India

Sujatha and I thank God for bringing us safely back to India. We had a wonderful time visiting with our friends and brothers and sisters in Christ while in the US. We are so thankful for the different churches and families who shared their time and love with us during our visit. We thank each of you for your time, prayers, and consideration of the GBBM ministry.

We especially wanted to thank GBBMI President Willie Gomez for scheduling multiple meetings with churches and groups in Texas who have been faithfully supporting GBBM for years.

While Sujatha and I were sharing the GBBM story, God was faithfully working through the GBBM church planting pastors and leaders. During November the team shared the gospel with 6,031 people; 242 people placed their faith in Jesus and 18 people were baptised. Praise the Lord.

Christian opposition continues to increase in India. No GBBM staff were directly involved in an incident but throughout India effigies of Santa Claus were burned, Christmas celebrations were interrupted, and Christians were attacked by Hindu supremacists.

We are busy planning for GBBM’s 20th anniversary celebrations in January. Please pray that God is glorified, that all participants are blessed with the word of God and are encouraged to witness to others.

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 Planters Activity Update

	Key Growth Areas - 2022	November
01	Villages Served (Monthly)	408
02	New Villages Reached (Updated Quarterly)	-
03	People Hearing the Gospel (Total Presentations)	6,031
	a. People Hearing the Gospel (First Time)	3,188
	b. People Hearing the Gospel (2 or More Times)	2,843
04	People Accepting Jesus Christ as Saviour	242
05	Active Bible Study Groups	124
06	Children Being Ministered To (Monthly)	3,187
07	House Churches	158
	a. House Churches (< 10 Baptized Believers)	94
	b. House Churches (> 10 Baptized Believers)	64
08	Believers Attending Worship (Weekly)	3,323
09	Offering Collection (Indian Rupees - Monthly)	47,201
10	Pastor Assistants/Leaders in Training	137
11	New House Churches (Updated Quarterly)	-
12	Baptisms	18

GBBM's Praise & Prayer Request

Praise God for: Second-generation Christians: It is truly a joyful event



when someone accepts Jesus Christ, but nothing may be more of a blessing than witnessing the baptism of your children. Banjara children, like most children, are more open to the Gospel when they are young, and often more difficult to evangelize to during high school and college. Vaalya and Darji were the first Christians from their families. They do not know how to read or write but have been growing in their faith and are constantly witnessing to others. Their prayers were answered when their sons (engineering students) confessed their sins and glorified Christ through water baptism.

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GBBM Hosts Banjara United Christmas – GBBM was honoured to host the 22nd National Banjara United Christmas celebration at Aletheia Banjara School.



Over two hundred pastors from four states of India attended the event and enjoyed a great time of fellowship and encouragement. ABS students provided entertainment by singing Christmas carols and performing dances.

Prayer Requests:

PRAY to GOD for:

- 1. Krishna's family:** We are deeply saddened to report that our brother in Christ, Krishna, who was healed from throat cancer died suddenly. He was doing well but went downhill after working during the harvest. Please pray for the comfort of his family and friends as they mourn his loss and for Jesus to use His light to show others that we are comforted by our faith and hope during this time
- 2. Lalu - A backsliding believer:** Lalu (on the left in photo) was the first Christian in his village. He led both his wife and son to Christ. Recently he started working in real-estate and his business associates have led him away from his faith. Now he visits Hindu temples and prohibits his wife and son from going to church. Please pray that God softens his heart and that he and his family turn back to Christ.
- 3. GBBM's 20th Anniversary Celebration** (January 14-16, 2023) Pray for visas, safe travel for the attendees, and for God to be glorified.



ALETHEIA BANJARA SCHOOL UPDATE



Aletheia Banjara School is doing well as teachers and students are busy with their classes. Boys Brigade India program has been going great at ABS, the participants completed work to receive two badges this semester: (Christian Character and Target). All qualified BB members received a Certificate of Achievement.



The BB ABS members also cleaned the school premises as part of their weekly activity. All students are getting excited about Christmas and their vacation time.

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