

November & December 2003

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the month of December I spent approximately 17 days filling in for the Unruhs (Missionaries to Sri Lanka) as they are on furlough. During my stay there, a prominent Buddhist Monk died. He was a chief individual who was leading opposition for church outreach programs. After his demise, radical Buddhists have accused Christians of killing him and started revolting against Christians and ministries. Churches and believers in Sri Lanka are in much danger. So, please keep them in your prayers.

The following is a brief report of how God blessed our ministry in the year of 2003. I trust this may help you to pray more feverishly for our ministry and our family.

NEW CHURCHES ESTABLISHED: 2

MISSION STATIONS: 2

HOUSES VISITED: 17,000

PROFESSIONS of FAITH: 4,500

NUMBER of BAPTISMS: 150

TRACTS & BOOKLETS DISTRIBUTED: Approximately 5 Million

Our 18th annual fellowship Conference will be held February 4th - 8th at Chathannoor, Kerala. We are expecting an immense gathering for the conference this year. Last year, government authorities were very strict on anyone who visited India on a tourist visa and became involved in religious activities. This year, we are also expecting guest speakers to visit us. They have already attained a conference visa. However, your prayers are very much needed.

As I had stated in my last prayer letter, my family and I are planning to visit US in the month of March. We humbly request your fervent prayer for our visa. I have received invitations from numerous churches; if you would like us to visit your church, please email me in the following address or write to me in the above address.

Your prayers and financial support are greatly appreciated. May God bless tremendously.

For the souls in India,
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