

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On the first week of June all our Institutions were re-opened. All together over 125 students are in our college and Institutions. Baptist Bible College & Seminary was founded in 1969 in a rented building with 15 students and five lecturers but presently owns the property and buildings. In the beginning this was just an institute offering an intense course to do Lord's ministry. Several years later this institute was upgraded to a college and now it is a Seminary offering Bachelor of Theology and Bachelor of Divinity degrees. Born again young men receive both theoretical and practical training in English (because of the linguistic diversity) to make them faithful ministers of our Lord. Students from various States such as Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Orissa Assam, Mizoram, Manipur, Naga land etc... and Myanmar (Burma) are represented in this Seminary. Three other institutes in two different languages are also part of this ministry. India needs more labors that are steady, sincere and diligent in Lord's ministry. Please uphold these young people so God will use them mightily in the future.

As I mentioned in my last letter we are in the preparation for our annual youth camp on August 24th-27th. The approximate expense for the camp will be around \$4000.00 i.e \$6.65 per person. Our Churches and members have been raising money but were able to meet half of the target. If you can sponsor or delegate it will be greatly appreciated. Some churches and individuals have taken up this as a challenge and promised sponsorships; but we have not reached the goal yet. Please help us to help a young person to attend this youth camp. My family and I are making the final preparation to attend an interview at the US consulate to get our visas to come to America. You may already know that our visas were refused last time. Please keep us in your fervent prayers.

Your prayers and supports are very valuable to us.
Thank you and May the Lord bless you.
For the souls in India Sam Thomas & Family