



CHURCHES OF CHRIST

RAMPACHODAVARAM / TUNI

*Under the oversight of the Elders,
Willette Church of Christ, Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank you for your continual prayers and support for the work of our Lord in Andhra Pradesh and neighbouring states of India. We thank you for your generosity, because of your support, many remote areas, particularly within the tribal communities of this underserved region, are now coming to know God and His plan of salvation through Jesus. As it is written, "This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Tim. 2:3,4).

Brethren, we are excited to report that we had another fruitful month. Through the dedicated efforts of our preaching brethren, we are happy to report 197 baptisms during the month. This achievement would not be possible without your support. While you may not be directly involved, your contributions allow us to send preachers to these remote areas, and thus you share in the mission of presenting the gospel through which all mankind should be saved.

We also thank you for your continued support to construct Church buildings in these interior places. These places of worship play a very important role in the midst of hindu temples. They serve as shining lights to proclaim God who made the world and everything in it. He is the Lord of heaven and earth does not dwell in temples made with hands but we all must come to Him as living stones and build up a spiritual house, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. These buildings provide essential venues where entire villages can hear the truth through the public address systems we supply. But it is quite challenging to start any building in these villages; there are many objections to commencing the Lord's work and constructing buildings. In some communities, there is even resistance to allowing church gatherings in private homes. In the recent times, many church buildings in various places in Andhra Pradesh have been demolished by the local authorities with the pressures from politicians, on the plea that these buildings are unauthorised structures. Surprisingly, this law doesn't apply to the temples. And many States in India are trying to bring anti conversion Bills. Presently, 12 states have passed such bill and Maharashtra will become the 13th Indian state with such a law in place. Before this situation gets worse, knowing that in the last days perilous times will come (2 Tim. 3:1) we encourage preachers to take advantage of time and opportunity and establish a foothold in these villages. Despite the obstacles, we continue the construction of church buildings with the backing of local supporters. Currently, there are 13 buildings under construction, with several already completed and ready for dedication. We are particularly grateful for your contributions, which not only assist in constructing these buildings but also help construction of baptisteries. This is essential to avoid potential objections from anti-Christian groups when believers seek to use public canals and ponds for baptisms. Your support plays a vital role in these efforts, and we truly appreciate your partnership in this mission. We are pleased to present pictures of three buildings located in different areas. The first is in Bhimolu, situated in the Koyyalagudem region of West Godavari, where Bro. Yesu Babu Boda is serving. We have also



provided a baptistry at this location. The second building is located in Pedabantupalli in Vizianagaram District, where Bro. N. Nehemiah is working. Lastly, we have a building in Palakol, where Bro. Jacob is ministering. Members of this congregation is undertaking a bigger building and requested us our regular support for the building and promised that the remaining work will be completed on their own. We highlight these three buildings as they are spread across different directions, reflecting the extensive reach of your support for the buildings.



PEDABANTUPALLI



PALAKOL

Brethren, we thank you for your support for the preaching schools. Because of these schools we are able to send preachers to the places where there is no church. We are also able to train them in the sound doctrine after they converted from different backgrounds. These preacher students are making significant contributions and often responsible for more conversions. Until now, 300 students/preachers were graduated from these schools especially from Kattamuru and Tuni schools of Preaching.



KATTAMURU



NARSIPATNAM



ARAKUVALLEY

Currently we are conducting classes in various areas such as Narsipatnam, Araku valley, Polancha and Warrangal apart from Kattamuru and Tuni.

New batches have begun at these places and classes are going on. We presently conducting classes in our

own buildings at Tuni and Kattamuru and in the church buildings at Narsipatnam and Araku. We are renting a hall at Warangal as there is no proper building that can accommodate 50 preachers. Brothers John Anand at Tuni and B. Krupakar at Kattamuru, along with their dedicated teachers, are working tirelessly in these efforts.

We are immensely grateful for your generous support towards our widows. Currently, 132 widows in Rampachodavaram receive \$10 each to assist with their personal expenses. Every Sunday, they are provided with 200 rupees after worship to cover their weekly needs. For those who are bedridden, we ensure that the support is delivered directly to their homes. *(Contd..4..)*

BAPTISMS



(Contd..2..) In addition to the widows in the church, there are also 41 widows residing in the widow's home at Rampachodavaram. Approximately 100 other widows are receiving similar



help in surrounding congregations, which is facilitated by our local preachers. Sister Indira is responsible for distributing the support every



Saturday. We aim to extend this help to more congregations in the future, and we kindly ask that you keep all of these widows in your prayers. Picture showing widows receiving the support after the worship.

We also thank you for your love and support for the orphans at Rampachodavaram and various other places. Children are provided with nutritious food and good environment for the overall development of the child. At Rampachodavaram, even 5 to 8 years old children feel at home. Moreover, we are so happy to report that these children are taught truth from an early age. Our



1 to 5th Grade



6 to 8th Grade



YOUTH CLASS

care takers are so disciplined and instill the same values in the children. They are taught truth not only on daily basis in their devotions and also, they are taught in the Sunday schools in diverse levels. The accompanying pictures show all the children attend Sunday school grade wise. Sister Salome teaches 1 to 5th grade, Sister Deena teaches to 6th to 8 grade and youth class is taught by Bro. Paul Kumar, one of the deacons at the local church who himself was an orphan raised in our home. We thank you for your continued help to the widows and orphans, showing your love of God in action. Please continue to pray.

Special Prayer Request for the Village of Sarlanka: Dear Brethren, we kindly ask you to remember the 40 families residing in the village of Sarlanka, located in Rowthulapudi Mandal.



This remote area can only be accessed on foot, as there are no roads to this village. The families here rely on their work in the hills for their livelihood. Tragically, this month, a fire accident has devastated the entire village, destroying all their thatched homes. Consequently, these 40 families have become homeless

and are in dire need of assistance. Brother Samuel is preaching in Sarlanka and the surrounding villages, where Christians gather to worship together. Having lost everything, these families are desperately seeking help.

We ask for your prayers and any support you can offer. Thank you.

