

May 18, 2010

## **Franks Family News Letter**

Dear,

Fellow laborers in Christ,

Greetings to you in the Name of our Beloved Savior Jesus Christ from the country of India. We thank you for your continued prayers and support for our ministry over the years, and we pray that the Lord will continue to bless you richly. The Lord has blessed our work abundantly and continues to encourage us as we serve Him.

Due to health reasons (Parkinson's disease, diabetes and Coronary artery disease) I am limited in the things that I am able to do and have been advised to take rest at this time. With this present state of health my wife Molly and I arrived in the US on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2010 to rest and recuperate initially as well as raise support for the ministry in India. We would love to visit your church and give a report as needed. We are living with my son Stephen and his family in Greenville South Carolina. We are currently scheduled to leave back to India on August 5<sup>th</sup> 2010, but may extend our stay for a few more months as the Lord leads as per my visa permit date (November 5<sup>th</sup> 2010).

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### **Just a brief update of our ministry in India:**

1. With our students graduating from Calvary Baptist Bible College and Seminary, people saved and believers dedicating their lives for the ministry our work has expanded to three states in India (Maharashtra, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu) and Burma.
2. Thirteen students graduated from Calvary Baptist Bible College and Seminary (CBBC&S) with various degrees leading up to the Masters of Divinity. Most of these students from CBBC&S have gone back to their respective home cities to work for the Lord during the summer. This academic year we have had approximately 150 students and growing at Grace Baptist School for the Hearing and Hearing Impaired. Many of these children have been saved during this academic year. A few have decided to continue with us in wanting to study at CBBC&S.
3. Church planting ministries continue to grow in all three states across the nation with Hindus and nominal Christians getting saved and joining the local churches. Last month I held revival meetings in Tirupattur Baptist Church and eight souls were saved and many believers were spiritually enriched.
4. At one of our Local Churches in Bangalore – Olivet Grace Baptist Church 10 souls were saved and many believers spiritually encouraged during three days of special meetings last month. Just before our arrival here we had a combined family and youth camp in the Hills for three days where we experienced an out pouring of the Holy Spirit in overcoming the forces of Satan and strengthening the believers. Much confession and reconciliation was bridged between families and individuals all to the Glory of God.

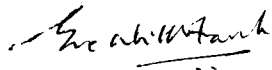
5. Many of you have contributed liberally to the Church building in Kuremberi at the foot of Jawadhi Hills. About 60% of the work is completed but we ran out of funds due to the increasing cost of building supplies and labor. We would now need about \$10,000 to complete the work. Please pray for this project and let us know if you would like to contribute towards this urgent and worthy cause. If you would like some pictures of the work in progress I plan to send it via email.

The work fund continues to struggle between 55% - 60%. It is extremely difficult to continue our ministry with our current support level and we seek your prayers and support in increasing our support level.

While here in the US we would like to be a blessing to all those we come in contact with and share the love of God. Please feel free to contact me anytime at the above mentioned address and numbers.

Thank you once again for your prayers and support.

Your brother in Christ,



Eric Wilfred Franks

**Phillippians 3:13, 14 “...forgetting those things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things that are before, I press towards the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”**