

"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints..." Jude 3.

## SHALOM BIBLICAL BAPTIST CHURCH MINISTRIES

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Dear Pastor; Church Family & Supporting friends,  
Shalom in the matchless name of our only Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. We trust this note finds you all in divine care & mercy.

By the grace of our Triune God & through your prayers The Local-Visible-Baptist-Church ministries is going on well in the midst of opposition from the militant Hindu sect. The state government is under the rule of the militant Hindu political sect (Barithia Janatha Party).

### Praise God

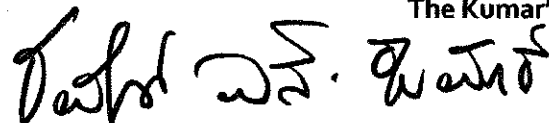
1. 53 teenagers got saved in our summer "youth conference" during summer holidays from 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> may'09.
2. The vibrant & responsible electorate of the Indian democracy has reaffirmed their faith in "The United Progressive Alliance (U.P.A.). This is a grate victory for secularism & democracy, which is in power now in the central government.
3. One of our Hindu construction workers, Mahindra has accepted Lord Jesus Christ, obeyed the immersion baptism & added to the Church. Now his name is Mark.
4. 14 of our orphanage children in our summer holidays came to know Lord Jesus Christ as their personal savior & Lord. They are: 1. Judah (13 years) 2. Caleb (12) 3. Kuki (13) 4. Poumai (13) 5. Rithobia (12) 6. Simon (13) 7. Puia (12) 8. Victor (14) 9. Lamei (12) 10. Pani (12) Among the Girls: 11. Miriam (12) 12. Tabitha (11) 13. Abigail (13) 14. Rachel (14). They all obeyed the waters of baptism & added to the Church.
5. Your missionary Kumar's youngest son Elisha having completed his high school education & joined our Bible College for Bachelors degree programme. This completes The Kumar's responsibility of training of every progeny in the inspired word of God.
6. "Shalom Baptist Christian Academy"; "Shalom Baptist Bible School"; "Shalom Baptist Bible College" & "Shalom Baptist Theological Seminary", started its academic session on 1<sup>st</sup> June'09. We have 23 students in the bachelor's degree level & 9 students in the seminary. God in His providence has given us 68 children in "Shalom Baptist Orphanage".

### Prayer Requests

1. Prayer for school building funds \$100,000.
2. Prayer for expansion of children's dorm \$10,000.
3. Prayer for Shalom's publication \$3000.
4. Prayer for Pastor's S.U.V. (Service Utility Vehicle) \$10,000.

In Closing, we the Kumar's want to thank you for your partnership & commitment to the overseas mission, especially the land of India. May our Triune God bless your giving to The Lord's Mission. Continue to uphold us in your daily prayers, we love you & pray for you.

In The mission of Christ Jesus  
The Kumar's



Ramesh; Christian; Elijah & Elisha

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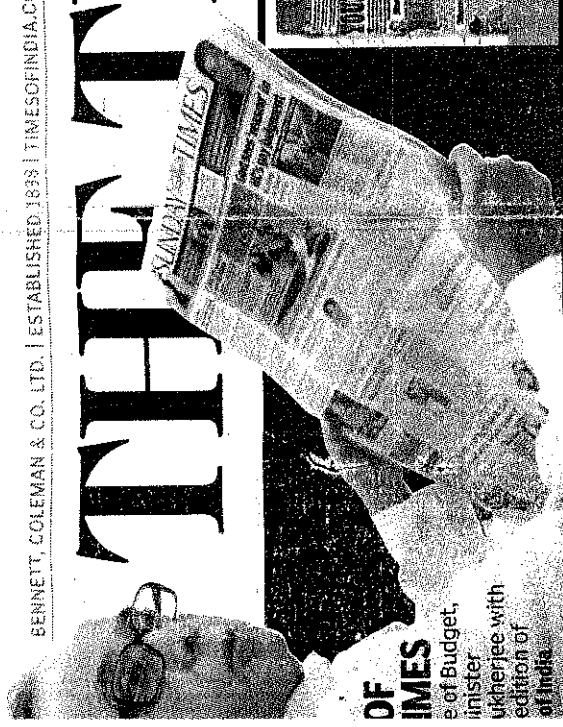
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## They practise what they learn

Orphans, Kids From Poor Families Get A Chance To Lead Better Lives

Yamini Nair | TNN

In daily life, people learn through experience, teachings, holy books, etc. But those who practise what they learn are few. One among them is Ramesh N Kumar, founder-president of Shalom Baptist Orphanage, on Sarjapur Road.

Led by what the Bible taught him in 'Psalm 82:3, 4' — to defend the poor and fatherless, do justice to the addicted and needy — he persuaded his mother to begin a home for orphans and destitutes. The orphanage that

course and start an institution like this," says Elijah.

The orphanage, supported by the World-Wide New Testament Baptist Mission, US, doesn't take donations.

Children are also given training in crafts, sports, gardening, music and poultry farming. Kids who come from a very poor background are given psychological counselling as well.

The children are grateful to those who have given them a chance to lead a better life. "What I like most is the way they teach us," says Junais, 17, from Manipur, whose par-



ALL IN THE FAMILY: The Shalom Baptist Orphanage offers children food, education and clothes, apart from love and care

started in Mysore on October 21, 1988, is now functioning in Bangalore, where 68 children, including 12 girls, are sheltered.

Ramesh's family, including wife Christina G Kumar and sons Elijah and Elisha, look after the place.

"Our church has branches across India and a magazine is circulated across the country, helping children come to our place," says Elijah Kumar, also administrator of the orphanage.

"Most children are from the North-east. Among them, 80% are orphans. The rest are destitutes or from poor families who can't afford to bring up the children," he explains.

The kids are given food, education and clothes, apart from love and care of course.

The school and college are located within the four-acre campus of Shalom Biblical Baptist Church.

"They're given support to study as much as they want to

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ents died in a tribal conflict at their village.

"They take care of us very well," adds Rachel, 13, from Mysore, who lost her father in an accident when she was six years old. "We take kids only after we are convinced about their background. In some cases, pastors from our church recommends kids," says Christina Kumar, Ramesh's wife.

"We're like a family. We do all work together, including cooking, cleaning and gardening," adds Christina, also a mother to the children there.

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