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INDIA—CTC ONLINE—FINANCES



This is the time of year when I look forward to hearing from Pastor J.T. Norman, overseer of the Sonshine School of Ministry in Trichy (short for Tircuchirappalli), India. We have **four** Bible school locations there, all using the CTC program. Presently, we have **64** students in the CTC program and graduated **65** in

2018 for a total of **607** graduates through **2018**.

program in 2015. There are thousands of students from remote villages that come to engineering colleges because the central and state government allotted more scholarships and grants for low caste groups of Indian communities. Among them, 95% are Hindu and 5% are Catholic. Many of these youngsters fall into carnal addictions such as drugs, alcohol, porn, and prostitution while at college and living far away from their home and village atmosphere. Suicide is also prevalent among these students.



Danielraj is leading many college students to Christ through music and a movie hour. Music draws everyone to this gathering; he plays his keyboard and exalts the name of Christ, shows a Christian skit on a 15-minute DVD, then asks them to call on Christ for their salvation. Though the hour of music and movie is a once a week ministry, many students are finding Christ as their Savior and Lord and getting delivered from their sins.

By the great grace of our Lord, this ministry thrives despite opposition. Many times, orthodox Hindu students have tried to stop Daniel from ministering by threatening him and accusing him before the college administration of presenting a music and movie hour that is nothing but a Christian conversion scheme. They have often set a device in the power line to make the fuses blow or trip the circuit breaker while Daniel was playing his keyboard and singing. In 2016, the Hindu students made our sound system burst into flames, called the fire service, and made a big commotion. The students have also frequently blocked the three-wheeler auto rickshaw in which Daniel travels with the keyboard and sound system from reaching the college students during their leisure time. We also found ourselves in many road accidents and onsite accidents that were caused by Hindu radicals in 2017 and 2018.

In spite of all this opposition, Daniel and the ministry are still thriving. Please lift up this special call of God.



Many people do not realize that millions of people in India worship literally hundreds of idols and gods. Christians are strongly persecuted in India; there are often stories of Christians being harmed or murdered for their testimony for Christ. Just 35 miles north of our second CTC location, an independent village pastor was murdered by a group of Hindus. We currently have nearly 200 of our CTC graduates working there and in surrounding areas. Hundreds and perhaps even thousands of villages in those areas have yet to be evangelized.

I asked Pastor Norman to share several stories about what is taking place among our former graduates:

Danielraj Abraham

Daniel, pictured with Pastor Norman, is one of our ministers who works among the college students. He graduated from Sonshine Bible School and the CTC



Pastor Michel

Pastor Michel graduated in 2012, planting a church in a village where there was no church. Many Hindu families put their trust in Christ Jesus and obeyed in water baptism to proclaim publicly that

Christ is the Lord. From that church, many committed to do the work of the Lord fulltime and started to evangelize the unreached villages. Seven who committed for the work of the Lord in that church, along with Pastor Michel's wife **Hepshiba**, studied in our Bible school and graduated in 2005. All started ministering in newly planted churches.

In November 2015, when they were going to plant a church in another village, a car driven by an orthodox Hindu collided with the church vehicle. Hepshiba and another young woman named Rani were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. Pastor Michel and others were admitted in the hospital, all in critical condition. The church prayed day and night for five days through a prayer chain, and the Lord healed those who were hospitalized, for His glory. Though the Lord has taken **Hepshiba** and **Rani** away from the family and the church, Pastor Michel and the church are working for the Lord more than ever before. In the picture above, Pastor Sean from Kentucky is praying for Pastor Michel and his two daughters.

Mariya

Mariya is one of the special women of God who minister in Sonshine Light of Dawn mission. She is married to Paulraj, and they have two children. Mariya went through our CTC program and graduated in 2013. Her God-given call and ministry is to deliver young women from prostitution. Willingly or not, many younger women are forced into prostitution due to poverty, hopelessness.



From 2014 to 2018, by God's wonderful grace, **Mariya** led **37** young women out of the darkness of prostitution and into the marvelous Light of Jesus Christ. Along with the grace and the gift of God, the whole family of Mariya supports her in her undertaking for the glory of God. **All 37** of these young women who

were brought into His Light are shining His Light in society, occupying in whatever things are noble, pure and of good report for the honor of His Name. We are excited to report that two young women, blessed with more unique talents, will be graduating in July 2019 and joining with Mariya to deliver these precious souls from all bondages and lead them into the True Light of Christ.

CTC ONLINE PROGRESS REPORT

I have not traveled since Daniel was born but instead have spent hundreds of hours replacing material which we did not receive copyright permission to continue using. As I write this newsletter, I am only six lessons from finishing. I have pledged to have it done before I leave for Africa on March 7th. Once the online lessons are completed, I will need to make new teaching outlines for the nine subjects involved for use in our normal classroom programs. All that should be completed in March as well. Prayerfully, I am hoping to report in the April newsletter that we are fully functioning in the online CTC program and that it is also available in the USA. There will be a tuition cost to help offset our ongoing cost of the three websites used to maintain the secrecy of the program for those in closed countries and the cost of translating the online program into other languages. Please continue to pray with us!!

FINANCES

I seldom say anything about our personal support, realizing that God is our provider. I also know that often we need to see or know about a need in order for God to touch our hearts to respond. At the beginning of this year, we had two churches who have been long time supporters notify us that they were decreasing our support as they were going to invest more in projects than individual missionaries. Another church who had been with us from the start dropped us completely for much the same reason. The loss is over **\$8000** in annual income we normally depend upon. I'm asking you to please pray for God's supernatural provision for us and the projects. And please join us in praying that God will touch the hearts of those who receive this monthly newsletter and have not joined in supporting the projects or us as your missionary partners. Know I pray for all those who pray and who give! Blessings to you!!!

Please pray and give for the following project needs: Over **\$20K** needed for the **CTC program in Myanmar**; **\$5K+** needed for the **CTC online in Spanish**; **\$13K** needed for **India CTC!! Please help!!! TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!**

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