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Believers in front of the new church under construction.

COTR Graduation 2013



At graduation, the learning has just begun. All graduates receive a gift of books to seed their future library. Please pray for these graduates as they enter the mission field.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Celebrating God's faithfulness!



We just completed our annual pastor's conference, seminary graduation, and regional alumni reunion. Thank you for your prayers and support for the conference and graduation. We had a great time celebrating, encouraging, networking, and praying for one another.

My mom, Mrs. Mary Titus, sends a special greeting to all our prayer and financial partners. Mom is doing well and at age 75, she is still involved in all areas of the ministry. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

The theme for this pastor's conference and graduation was "Discipleship." The annual pastor's conference was a time of sharing and encouraging pastor's who came from all over India. Many took days to get here; walking or riding on buses and trains to attend the conference. As many of the pastor's are facing persecution, and much difficulties in the field, they are still encouraged by God's faithfulness despite all the challenges they and their families face each day. These men and women are making a difference in India and leading many to Christ. It is an honor for me to be part of their life and ministry.

Rev. Doug Erickson, Rev. Gene Brunk, Mr. Garth Wills, Archbishop Orkwar, Rev. Christie Orkwar and Rev. Jayan Daniel were the guest speakers for the pastors conference and graduation. They all

shared from the theme of Discipleship and Mentoring as taught in 2 Timothy 2. They gave a challenging and encouraging message to all the pastors and graduates to not only evangelize, but to make disciples.

Drs. Gladwyn and Helen Turner spoke at our November pastor's conference, encouraging and challenging the pastors.

COTR Graduation was held on Saturday, and many family members and guests came for the celebration. We had a total of 41 graduates, including the seminary on campus and Telugu medium Bible College training. Sending new laborers into the harvest field is the highlight of the year.

A special thanks to Pastor Michael & Ruth Edwards and Pastor Roy & Barbara Phillips for hosting me and opening ministry opportunities for CFI-UK. Special thanks to Revs. Knut and Ursula Ofen for hosting and representing CFI-Germany. Special thanks again to Rev. Roger and Monika Baumgartener for their prayers, financial gift and helping represent CFI-Switzerland.

My brother, Johnson, his wife Helen and family send you their love and greetings. Please continue to pray for them.

Again, we appreciate your support, love, and prayers for my family and CFI.

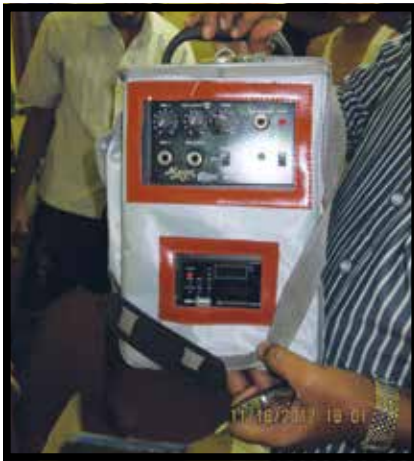
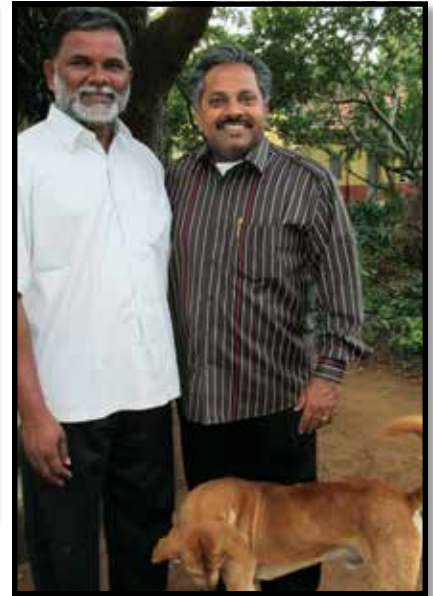
Training thousands to reach the millions,
Jameson Titus

LOOKING AHEAD: *New projects on the horizon*



The worship center leaks during the monsoon months and becomes an oven in the summer. We need to install a second tin roof above the original concrete roof to insulate from the sun and protect from monsoon rains. With seventeen buildings, lots of roof space and rising utility costs, it makes sense to install solar power panel systems for self-sufficiency. The more self-sufficient we become, the more resources we have for those who we minister to in India. We also need funds for maintenance and rehab of campus buildings to keep our the children and students safe. With the accelerated pace of technology and building our media center, we need high speed internet and networking on campus, as well as new campus water purification systems for the children and students.

PRAISE REPORTS

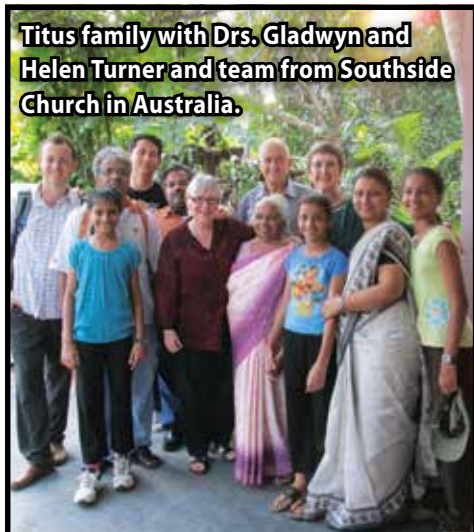


Clockwise from above: Pastors meeting and fellowship from the state of Kerala. Jameson with Pastor Joshua at graduation. Bicycles ready to be distributed to pastors; many more needed, as well as motorcycles. Jayan Daniel, Jameson Titus, Mary Titus, and church elder rededicating church on top of a mount in tribal area. Supplies for the children to share. Megaphone for pastor's evangelism program.



Blessings

Thanks to all of the teams who came to India to serve, as well as the people who have hosted me in their homes and churches. If you would like to serve in India or host Jameson, contact him at jtitus@christforindia.org



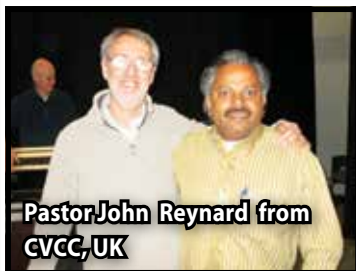
Titus family with Drs. Gladwyn and Helen Turner and team from Southside Church in Australia.



Pastor Al and Gloria Veer with Open Doors Church, Germany.



Pastor Mike and Ruth Edwards from Wales who serve CFI UK



Pastor John Reynard from CVCC, UK



Pastor Julian & Wendy Richards with daughter Sophie from CVCC, UK.



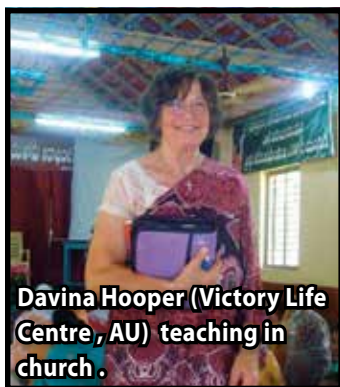
Dr. Helen Turner teaching at Pastors Conference



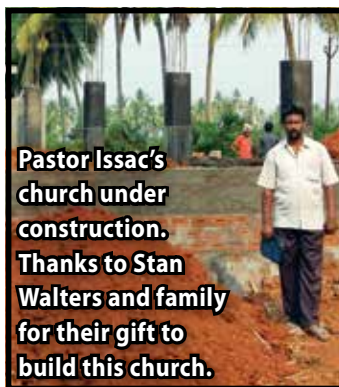
Samantha Castelijm (Southland Christian Church, QLD) interviews Prasad, educated in our children's home and later graduating with a Masters degree in library science. He now serves as our librarian.



Mary and Isabella Manning, friends for over 30 years.



Davina Hooper (Victory Life Centre, AU) teaching in church.



Pastor Issac's church under construction. Thanks to Stan Walters and family for their gift to build this church.



Johnson, Mom and Howard Poole, Bob Brighton, Steve Johnson in the new water reclamation tank.



Garth Wills shares his testimony at a village church.



Pastor Joe Scott & Candy Steiner with CCWC team from Florida, USA



Rev. Gene Brunk speaks to the Pastors at conference.



Jameson with Pastor Roy and Barbara Phillips, who coordinated Jameson's speaking itinerary



Jameson with Rev. Jayan Daniel, a graduate of COTR and President of Living Waters Int'l.



Rev. Christie Orkwar teaching on discipleship.



Revs. Kunt and Ursula Often who serve CFI Germany



Revs. Roger and Monika Baumgartener, who serve CFI in Switzerland.



Graduation speakers, Archbishop Orkwar, Garth Wills, Jameson, Rev. Christie Orkwar, and Pastor Doug Erickson, and Rev. Gene Brunk.

COTR Graduation 2013

Thank you for making this possible through your partnership with Christ for India. Your prayers and financial support enable us to train and equip new laborers into the harvest field.



Graduate receiving gift of books from the ministry. This will be the beginning of their personal library.



COTR Graduates ready for the field.



Archbishop Orkwar addressing the graduates.

Pastor Conference 2013



New Testament Church of India pastors meeting.



Pastor Doug Erickson singing Telegu songs. The songs were a great blessing to the people.



Garth Wills giving bicycle to pastor.



Linda Gardner, who helped sponsor the bicycles, awarding bicycle to pastor.



Archbishop Orkwar gives a bicycle to a village pastor.



Gene Brunk giving bicycle to pastor.



Pastor Doug Erickson doing ordination and licensing service for new workers for the harvest field.



Delegates at pastors conference



Gene with his sponsored child

Update from Gene Brunk

It gets better with each trip! February 15th – 26th I made my second visit to the campus of Christ for India in Vizag. We were a small team of 3 from Texas and 2 from Africa, but we still covered a lot and were involved at the Pastor's Conference that overflowed the hall on campus. The presence of God and His peace are so strongly felt on campus; one really doesn't want to leave.

The graduation of several seminary students is so stunningly done it has to be a high point in everyone's life who attends. I admire these young people who graduate and go out on their own to bring God's love to the people of India. Several students remembered my visit from last year, and we had even greater fellowship.

Last year I walked through a vision in the works – the Media Center. It wasn't much then, some walls, materials lying around, and a hope. This year Mary Titus and I did the opening prayer of

the Pogue & Gottlieb Foundations Media Center. It is a professional and impressive building. The next stage is to receive all the media equipment and set up.

Also, last year I observed old generators no longer working. This trip, thanks to several contributors that responded in raising funds for three state of the art new generators, I got to observe generators in place. This ministry is on the curve of change and growing. We need the prayers and support of willing people that we sustain what we have and continue to improve and grow.

It touches my heart to see all the young children, so orderly and neatly dressed, in their morning assembly, attending classes and receiving knowledge of God and a better education.

Observing a girl no taller than a yard stick, on a table at the chalkboard with a stick pointing to English words, and having the class follow her in spelling them, tells you this is a good ministry.

- Gene Brunk



Update from Doug Erickson

Three years ago we began preparing to move our family and ministry to east Texas, and made a search for area ministries that were like-minded in missions to

India. We connected with Christ for India and eventually made contact with Jameson Titus.

Embassy Ministries became enthusiastic supporter of CFI after a visit to their office, studying their promotional materials, and attending the CFI annual Banquet. We admire the integrity of their business practices and the fruitfulness of their work in missions domestically by encouraging others towards mission activity, and the work in India through the orphanage and school, the COTR seminary, the New Testament Church Network and Church Planting program.

In February 2013, I joined Jameson Titus and COTR Graduate, Rev. Jayan Daniel in Kerala to conduct a COTR alumni meeting, to re-dedicate a remote village church in Maramkollu that had been re-roofed and re-opened by CFI, and to conduct a multi-Church

gathering of NTC congregations in Kochi, Kerala. By the end of our ministry time in Kerala I had a good feel for the work of COTR Seminary and the efforts of CFI in Church planting. We then joined CFI Board member Gene Brunk and supporter Garth Wills at the CFI campus in Visakhapatnam and participated in a Pastor's conference, a minister's ordination service, and the Seminary Graduation service as well as observing the work there with the orphans and village children in Nava Jeevan.

The Work of CFI is nothing short of amazing. The hungry are fed, the naked clothed, the orphaned taken in and parented, the sick offered care and the Gospel preached to the poor. The Great Commission is obeyed as hundreds in India are educated and disciplined to take the Gospel throughout India and beyond. I headed for India enthused about the work of CFI, and returned with the desire to do all I can to help this truly great work flourish. I encourage you to support the work of CFI in any way you are able, and know that the eternal reward for your efforts will be great.

- Doug Erickson , D. Min., President, Embassy Ministries Int'l.

Media Center opening prayer



In Memoriam



Rev. James H. "Jim" Gardner: March 19, 1951 to January 13, 2013. The Titus family is very grateful for his love and service to CFI and the people of India.



Garth with his sponsored child

Update from Garth Wills

I went on a short-term mission trip to India to visit the Christ for India mission campus. I was born in India and left there in 1957 and I have not been back. I was adopted by missionaries and brought to America and my name had been changed to my new parent's name.

I went to get a visa and told them that I had been born in India and adopted. They took a look at me, a fair skinned Caucasian, grey headed man and decided this was too strange. So, they asked to see the original passport I had used to come to America. Several days before, my wife was doing some cleaning and had come across my original passport. If she had not done this, I would have told them it did not exist anymore. God knew I was going to need it and preserved it.

I was impressed with the Christ for India campus. There are 17 buildings that include schools for grade, high school, junior college, Bible College, and masters programs, along with housing for all the students, faculty, and staff. The kitchen and dining building, in which they feed a 1000 people each meal and a library and media center, complete the campus.

I was able to tour the elementary school and watch a little girl, who looked like she was about three years old, lead the class while learning their number and letters. They were being taught in English. It was wonderful to see God's hands at work.

There was a great attitude on the campus. The participation in the praise and worship was very enthusiastic. We heard some great preaching from the speakers. The Holy Spirit was present in all the services.

A lot of children are abandoned in India. There are 350 orphan children in the Christ of India School. On Sunday, we went to a church for service, with about 60 people in attendance. The pastor had taken in ten boys to raise who had been abandoned. This is typical.

The buildings on the campus are built in a method that is common to India. They are built with brick and concrete plaster. Masonry construction has no insulating properties, so the buildings get extremely hot in the summer months especially the roofs. This makes the top floors also unusable and certainly unbearable. The monsoons rains, over time, have caused leaks in the roofs so during the rainy season there are leaks and during the summer it too hot on the top floors.

The new media center has been covered with a metal roof over the concrete roof, which has solved the problem. This metal roof needs to be added to all the remaining buildings, starting with the Praise and Worship center. CFI will be working on construction teams to come and serve on campus and work on the village churches. We are looking also to do solar panels as a means of self-support. If you have an interest to come and serve on the construction team, please contact us.

- Garth Wills

Feeding the children



We have a great team in the kitchen. By faith each day, we prepare three meals to feed over 1,000 school & home children, seminary students and staff. The children pray each morning at 5 a.m. for their daily provision and God provides miraculously each day.

Please prayerfully consider giving to CFI to buy daily supplies needed for the children and students.

Children's home, school and church

There are many children who would be on the streets of India, if not for the New Life Children Home and School. Around 900 children are trained in an English medium school, given love and clothes, meals, and an education, medical care, and the love of Jesus.

They are breaking the poverty cycle, through education and the love of Christ, we can change the nation of India, by making a difference in the lives of these children.

Come and help support the Children's ministries. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a child.



The children have their own worship.

They have early morning prayers at 5 a.m., after school at 5 p.m., daily devotions and children's church. The children lead the praise and worship, give their testimony and say their memory verse. They are taught and trained in a Christian environment.

Come and help support the Children's ministries. Please prayerfully consider making a financial gift to CFI.



Our self-supporting CFI farm



One of the self-support areas of the ministry is our vegetable farm and dairy farm. We have around 30 cows, and about half of them are milking. The cows give the much needed milk for the children and for the Chia for campus use each day. The farm produces bananas, tomatoes, okra, tapioca, coconuts, squash, and many other vegetables. These help supplement the vegetables we buy from the market for our food preparation each day. As we have no refrigeration, we prepare meals each day and consume what we harvest quickly.



We have been looking at the self-support idea of rubber trees, as they produce rubber milk each day and they are a great source of income. We are praying for the finances to purchase land and plant rubber trees or purchase a rubber plantation.



We have a great source of sun on campus and we have lots of flat roof space. We are looking at using solar power for the last few years, but the cost of panels and battery storage were very high. Now the costs are coming down and we are in need of financial help to purchase and install solar panels and battery storage units.

If you would like to be part of this self-support rubber tree or the solar project, please make a gift to CFI.

CFI's medical ministry

The Medical ministry helps the many thousands each year who would otherwise have no care. With the COTR Jyothi hospital and medical camps, we serve our community's elderly and children, blessing them with medicine and medical care. We pray for healing of the sick and as our motto on the hospital door says, "Jesus Heals."

Come partner with the medical and humanitarian work of CFI.



Mission Statement

Christ for India, Inc. exists to fulfill Christ's great commission to India by training nationals as pastors and evangelists, establishing native churches, providing humanitarian aid, and educating India's future leadership.

Statement of Faith

We believe: The sixty-six canonical books of the Old and the New Testament to be inspired and the infallible and authoritative Word of God. There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in the rapture of the Church at Christ's coming, and His glorious thousand-year rule on earth. The only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. In the identification of the believer with Christ's death and resurrection by immersion baptism. The redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing to the human body in answer to believing prayer. The baptism in the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. In the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Holy life. The Church is the fellowship of all who have become children of God through faith in Christ and have been knit together by the Holy Spirit into one body of which the Lord Jesus is the head. The Church is given the mandate by the Risen Lord Jesus and is under obligation to demonstrate and proclaim the wholeness of the Gospel and its implications to every people.

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