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Free Eye Check-up & Cataract Surgery Camp at KSM Mission Health Centre

We are thankful to Dr. Susan John and KSM doctor, Dr. Mary A. George who helped to organize the second Free Eye Check-up and cataract Surgery Camp for the residents of 11 villages around the KSM Mission Centre in Bangalore North on March 11th 2007. Mr. B. K. Singh, IPS, the

Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bangalore North, was the Special Guest, who inaugurated the Camp. Mr. K. Ajjana, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Mr. Venugopal, the Inspector of Police from Hennur Police Station, Mr. Mohan Selvaraj, the Property Manager, CSI Central Diocese and former KNH Staff and resident of Bornmann Enclave, Kothanur and some village leaders, took part in the inaugural program.



Special guest Mr. B. K. Singh, IPS, the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bangalore East being received by Rev. B. D. Immanuel.

Mr. Mohan Selvaraj read the portion from the Bible and led in prayer after a couple of gospel songs by the KSM Staff which brought great blessings to all who had gathered. A large number of men and women from the 11 villages around KSM Mission Centre came. KSM evangelists and volunteers were kept

busy in distributing gospels and tracts.

We broke for lunch arranged by KSM at 2:00 pm For a sumptuous lunch prepared by Mrs. Beulah Immanuel and her team. It was a

Mr. B. K. Singh, IPS, DCP, Bangalore East addressing the gathering at the Eye Camp.



(Above) Mr. B. K. Singh, IPS, DCP, Bangalore East, opening the free eye camp by cutting the ribbon.

(Below) KSM Medical and Evangelistic Staff presenting gospel song at the eye camp.





Dr. Mary A. George examining a patient before sending her to the eye doctor Dr. Susan John. Nurse Mrs. Selvi Rufus assists.



Gathering at the KSM Mission Centre for the free eye check up camp.

great time of interaction and fellowship. After the lunch, the eye check up camp continued till 4:00pm.

37 men and women belonging to various castes and faiths from villages were selected for cataract eye surgery to be carried out on 12th March 2007. After 2 days, these were

brought to KSM Clinic at the KSM Mission Centre for post-surgery instructions from the KSM doctor, Dr. Sathya Stanley. Amala Rani, KSM nurse shared the gospel with them.

God willing, a second Free Eye Check-up and Cataract Surgery Camp will be held in KSM Clinic in

Koramangala Slum on 27th May. Please pray for our efforts that the name of the Lord will be glorified in all that we do. The Medical Ministry not only heals them physically, but also gives them opportunity to meet Jesus who can heal them spiritually as well.

KSM PRISON MINISTRY

The KSM prison ministry endeavors to spread the message of love and brotherhood to the inmates of prisons in Karnataka with the co-operation and involvement of volunteers from the Methodist, CSI, Brethren Assembly and Pentecostal churches. They serve as channels between the society on the one hand and the prisoners on the other. Cherished

(Right) KSM Medical Staff, lady volunteers from Indiranagar Methodist Church leading women prisoners in a prayer session after sharing the Gospel.



(Left) Prisoners gathered for Bible study at Bangalore New Central Prison.

(Right) Bro. Benjamin, volunteer distributing the gospels and booklets to men prisoners at Bangalore New Central Prison.





(Left) Bro. Srinivas Moses, volunteer, in a gospel talk with convicted prisoner at Bangalore Open Air Prison, while other prisoners show themselves to KSM doctor at Mobile Clinic.



(Right) Convicted women prisoners at Bangalore New Central Prison cleaning rice at the women prisoners block.

(Below) Pastor Mahimdas and team from Assembly of God Church, Bangalore, with the KSM team sharing the Gospel to the gathering of Kolar district prisoners and officials.



(Below) Sr. Selvi Rufus, KSM nurse and another nurse from Kolar Methodist Hospital, giving the free medicines to prison patients who line up after seeing the doctor.

(Above) KSM volunteers sharing the Gospel and praying with the prisoners at Kolar District Prison.

(Below) Lady volunteers and Mr. Prasanna, another volunteer, talking to prisoners as they wait in line to see the doctor.



dream of KSM prison ministry for the last 16 years is to rehabilitate these bruised souls to return to the main stream of life and become useful to the very society from which they had been rendered as outcasts. Not only this, we are even concerned about the families of prisoners and ex-prisoners, particularly children who need to be saved from becoming victims of society's prejudicial treatment.

(Right) Dr. Mary A. George and Dr. Susan from Kolar Methodist Hospital examining prison patients.



POWER to SLUM PEOPLE

— KSM Tailoring Training program —

“Everyone on this earth will remember you Lord. People all over the world will turn and worship you because you are in control, the ruler of all nations”. Since the school drop-out girls and unemployed women belonging to the Koramangala Slum are a depressed community, the KSM Tailoring Training Centre sprang up in 1995, to give the young people from the slum a bright future. God’s people gave sacrificially and prayed fervently, the KSM Tailoring Training program started 12 years ago. More than 600 have now completed their training and have joined the garment

factories to earn their living. The 25th batch of 23 people are now doing their 6-month training. Classes are run in a disciplined manner according to a well planned schedule. Theory and practical classes are conducted separately. For most of them, tailoring has become an income generator. KSM tailoring staff are silent trainees, lending a helping hand to the outcasts of society enabling them to stand on their feet and support their families. KSM spends its energy and resources to give hope to the underprivileged and outcasts of the society.

The KSM tailoring training department has been serving the cause of the poor and the needy, leading them to experience Jesus Christ in their lives.

We need your prayer support in this our ministry.

— Report by
Mrs. Beulah Immanuel
KSM Office Manager



(Above) Bro.N.A.Paul leading the gathering in prayer after sharing the Gospel.

(Below) Special Guest Mr. D. Narayanaswamy, the Asst. Commissioner of Police, Bangalore South, presenting the award and certificate to a Hindu candidate who completed her training.



(Above) A Tailoring Training student busy at KSM Centre.

(Below) Gathering of well wishers and family members of the Tailoring training students.



(Below) A muslim girl receiving her award and certificate from the special guest.



From the Executive Director's Desk



I offer my humble greetings to you in the matchless and powerful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I thank you very much for your wholehearted prayer and constant support to the ministry of KSM. The faithfulness of the Lord Jesus Christ has been so great towards us that we humble ourselves and gratefully thank Him for His great love upon us, His unworthy servants.

The Lord is counting on our faithfulness and commitment to follow Him. Even our strength is limited, in the midst of troubles, opposition, attack of the fanatic groups and slum lords and their team, pains, sickness, struggle of life and lack of financial support to the KSM ministry, the Lord expects a faithful heart. When we have that, He is ready to shower on His blessings and also give power to bring as many people as possible to His kingdom. He says, I have set before you an open door and no one can shut it. There is a great need for dependence upon God in our commitment to Him and thereby we are strengthened in our cry to God for the people of God who are suffering and dying without the Gospel. May our Lord Jesus Christ keep us constantly faithful and committed in following and fulfilling what He has commanded us to do through His Word.

In the light of the recent persecutions to God's servants in Bangalore, Different parts of Karnataka and India what should the response of God's people be?

About 50 members of a youth wing of a Hindu extremist group entered the Avila Christian Girls' High School at Mysore and assaulted several staff members, entered the school premises and began verbally abusing the staff members, accusing

them of conversion and severely beating them.

A resident of Elha village in Rohtas district of Bihar in North India, raped the wife of a local pastor in order to disrupt Christian activity there. This is a play of extremists to drive the gospel workers out and to stop the Christian work in the villages. Persecution affects both rural and urban population in India, but Christians living in villages suffer more due to the practice of sharing common facilities and the presence of hierarchial religious and caste communities within the isolated settlements. In addition to violent attacks launched by these extremists, rural Christians face denial of the use of common facilities like ponds, wells, shops, schools and other common facilities.

7 of the extremist group beat pastor Robert Kennedy and a church member, Rajendran, of Bangalore North, who suffered severe injuries in a daylight attack inside their church on 7th January 2007. A couple of them dragged pastor Robert and beat him up. They shouted and asked them to stop worshipping in that place. "We will crucify you in the same way Christ was crucified", they threatened the pastor. The church member, Mr. Rajendran rushed to the pastor's defense. But the attackers detached the mike from the stand and attacked him with it, causing severe head injuries, which later needed 13 stitches. The pastor was attacked and beaten up with the mike stand on his face, back and head.

Even a couple of months back, a slum lord in Koramangala and his team tried to attack the KSM Sum Clinic staff by using vulgar and abusive language, who also 1 night broke all the 26 glass windows. The intension was to create fear with the

KSM medical and evangelistic staff and leadership to extort money. This did not dishearten the KSM Director, Dr. Mary A. George and her medical staff who are committed Christians, but they decided to pray more for them and continue to serve the people in the slum.

May God's servants and Christians in India clearly recognize that we must be even more committed in our Christian walk and keep our minds centered on the Lord. We must, in this hour, more than ever, get serious with God, return to prayer and press on with the Mission of God in this world. John R. W. Stott in his article says, "the Bible is world evangelization", gives us many insights as he writes, "two phenomena are everywhere on the increase - one is religion fanaticism, and the other is religion pluralism". The fanatics display the kind of irrational zeal, which (if it could) would use force to compel belief and eradicate disbelief. Religious pluralism encourages the opposite tendency. Religious indifference prevails. World evangelization is bitterly resented, and fanatics refuse to counteract what the rival evangelization represents and pluralists, their exclusive claims. A Christian evangelist is regarded as making unwarranted intrusion into other people's private affairs.

Yours in Christ's Mission,
Rev. B. D. Immanuel

Apart from your prayers, we need your financial help for KSM Ministries. Your contributions and gifts will be very much appreciated which may please be sent to

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From KSM Doctor's Diary

We at KSM clinic Rajendranagar thank God that He is using us for His glory.

I thank God for Sharon a one-and-a-half-year-old child. She recurrently has lower respiratory infection with wheezing. Her parents had taken her to other hospitals and also brought her to our clinic. Her mother admits that she finds a difference in our clinic, because the moment the child comes here she gets better. She says that we all pray before we start the day. I really want to thank God the child is much better now and is gaining weight and slowly regaining health.

I also want to thank God for Satish a 5-year-old boy who was suffering from recurrent lymph node abscess. Before being referred to us by the YWCA he had been to many other clinics. We started the treatment with prayer. God's tender mercies, our regular dressings, treatment and talks on hygiene worked well. The boy is now completely healed. The mother of the boy is so impressed that she is showing keen interest in reading the Bible. We thank God for touching the mother of Satish through his illness.

Shakeela who came to our clinic had a caesarean operation in a government hospital. She came with severe wound infection. We prayed and started the treatment. Now that she is completely healed, we can see the glow of joy and gratitude on her face.

We have one of our regular patients at Kothanur who is an asthmatic. For acute exacerbation he is often given Inj. Deriphyllin. On 14/2/07 he suddenly developed anaphylactic reactions. We all prayed and the patient responded to the resuscitatory measures and recovered completely.

We do have a wonderful God, the greatest physician, who uses us all as his instruments in healing the sick and the suffering. All glory be to Him.

- Dr. Mary A. George

GOD PROVIDES through His people

Over the last 24 years of KSM Ministry, when we prayed sincerely for the needs various KSM ministries, God provided through His people. We have seen this happen time and again. Our trustworthy God entrusts the responsibilities of supporting His gospel workers and His servants to His people, both retired or still in active service. These are men and women of vision for missions of reaching the unreached with the gospel. They are involved in praying for the ministries of KSM and IAM and have been supporting financially for over 24 years and challenge other God's people to wake up and get involved in His work.

"..... the share of the man who stayed with the supplies is to be the same as that of him who went down to the battle. All shall share alike."

- 1 Samuel 30:24

It gives pleasure to all our prayer partners supporters to say that each one of us is a partner in the great mission of taking the Gospel to the unreached people. Paul says in Romans 15:20, "yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel where Christ was not known" (KJV). This is the vision and mission of KSM since its inception.

Behind one army soldier fighting in the battle field, there are at least 7 or 8 army personnel supporting

him in the support services. Similarly, our KSM Staff who are called to reach the people in the villages, slums and prisons with the message of Gospel, are supported by individuals, churches and families.

An important policy in KSM is to see that committed Christians and God's people, families and churches support the different ministries of KSM/ IAM and its medical and evangelical staff. KSM runs its ministry purely on a faith budget. God has been faithful in providing all the needs of KSM ministry over the years in keeping with His word that says " my God shall supply all my needs according to His riches in Glory through Christ Jesus" Phillipians 4:19.

God's people of Antioch Church took the responsibility of sending Barnabas and Saul as missionaries (Acts 13:2-3). People of God, families, churches should also take on the responsibility of supporting its own gospel workers and KSM ministries. God indeed honors the giver for his ministry by rewarding him or her adequately. Today the Lord has given us precious gift of men, women and children who share lovingly, faithfully, liberally and sacrificially. Let us remember whatever we have done in His name, will never be in vain.

- 1 Corinthians 15:58.