

A New Hall for KSM Tailoring Training Unit

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
 Loving greetings to you in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

running a Tailoring Training program for the school dropout

The beginning, the development and expansion of KSM and its ministry has been a miracle. From the year 1983 till date, we worked from a tiny small rented house in Koramangala, Bangalore. When the ministry grew, God brought others to join us in the evangelistic, medical, prison ministry and community development work by way of



Special guest Dr. Shanthakumari Sunder, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary and Development Commissioner and one of the KSM Board of Trustees being received by Rev. B. D. Immanuel and Police officials at KSM Mission Centre.

Rev. B. D. Immanuel welcoming the special guests and participants.



girls and unemployed women from the Koramangala slum and villages around KSM Mission Centre. The Lord has so wonderfully provided a tailoring training hall at KSM Clinic building at Koramangala Slum by the kind financial provision from Bro. Gerhard and Sis. Esther

Rev. B. D. Immanuel, whom the Lord used to start KSM, was an ex-fosterchild of KNH. He was with OM (Operation Mobilization) where the Lord broke him and moulded him for His ministry. On 19th May 1966, the Lord saved him and called him to His ministry. He had initial Bible training at UBS (Union Biblical Seminary) with the sponsorship of Mr. H. T. Sangliana. The Lord laid on his heart a strong desire to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to his own people in Karnataka. By His Grace, the ministry of KSM took birth on September 10th, 1983. The Lord had laid this burden upon a number of God's people, God's servants and led them in the launching of this evangelistic program and provided everything that was needed for this new ministry. Objectives of KSM ministry are :

1. To take the Gospel to the people in Karnataka and follow-up in cooperation with the local churches and assemblies.
2. Planting groups of believers and adding them to the local church.
3. Establishing medical and community development services in slums and prisons.
4. Conduct revival meetings and evangelistic camps with the cooperation and working through local churches.

KSM is not officially associated with any denominational church. However, it seeks to have close fellowship with all churches and Christian organizations with similar activities. It believes that the churches are the backbone of the ministry for evangelism. **"This is of the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes"** – Psalm 118:23.

Frank of Germany. But the KSM Mission Centre which is 26 kilometers away from the Koramangala Slum, did not have its own Tailoring Training Hall but was running it at the car shed. Ultimately, because of the phenomenal growth in the number of women from the villages seeking training in tailoring, we felt it was necessary to have a separate hall for the Tailoring Training program.

This matter was in our prayers for the last few years. God in His own time so ordered the events that we could come in contact with Bro. Ulrich Weinhold, the International Executive Director of Hilfe fur Bruder, a German organization with the help of Bro. Achim Halfmann of

KSM staff presenting Kannada a Gospel song.



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Cross Road Prison Ministry.

Funds for building the Tailoring Training Hall and the gifts of sewing machines to each of the 40 trainees from the Koramangala Slum and villages came from Hilfe fur Bruder, Germany according to the desire kindled by God in their hearts.

The fourth milestone in the ministry of KSM is the newly built KSM's Tailoring Training Hall. We thank and praise God for the newly built Tailoring Training Hall at the KSM Mission Centre. The 30th of May 2009 was a memorable day for KSM when at the dedication and inauguration of the newly built Tailoring Training Hall we were reminded of the greatness of the God whom we serve.

We were greatly privileged to have Dr. Shanthakumari Sunder, IAS, who is the Additional Chief Secretary and Development Commissioner and one of the KSM Board of Trustees and Mr. Basavaraj Malagatti, IPS, the Deputy Commissioner of Police of the Bangalore North-East region, who

Dr. Shanthakumari Sunder sharing the Gospel message. Tailoring trainees with their sewing machines.



have distinguished themselves in the ministries of KSM. We were honored by their presence. The dedication prayer was said by Pastor Aroop Kumar. Dr. Sanjay John Deodhar, the Consultant of National Rural Health Mission and the Directorate of Health Service of Karnataka Government, Bangalore, honored us by his presence as well.

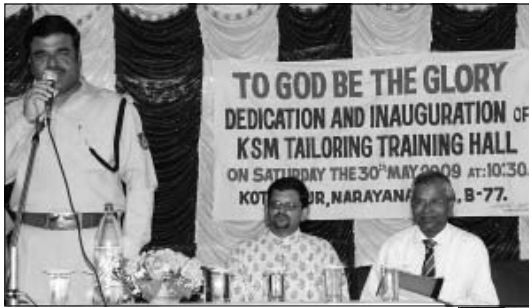
Pastor Aroop Kumar from Agape Baptist Church, Ramamurthy



Friends of KSM, well wishers and gathering of tailoring trainees.

Nagar, Bangalore, presided over the function. Our chairman, Dr. Prabhu Das, a government doctor at Bangalore, Mr. Heinz Siebelds, the Chairman of the Indian Allianz Mission (IAM) Germany and KSM Board of Trustees, prayer partners and friends who have taken active part in KSM Ministry sent their greetings and best wishes for the occasion.

Dr. L. Shanthakumari, IAS, the Additional Chief Secretary and Development Commissioner, who began by saying that in her morning Bible reading, the main theme was 'salvation only through Jesus Christ', shared the Gospel message to



(Left) Mr. Basavaraj Malagatti, IPS, the Deputy Commissioner of Police of the Bangalore North-East appreciating the services of Christian institutions to the poor and needy in India.

(Below) Dr. Shanthakumari Sunder, presenting the certificate, award and sewing machine to one of the tailoring students.

the gathering. She was used mightily by God to challenge and bless us on this special occasion. We were blessed by the melodious Gospel song in Kannada by the KSM staff. Anitha Immanuel was on the keyboard and Dr. Shanthi Samuel gave the Vote of Thanks.

After the service, Pastor Aroop Kumar dedicated the newly built



(Left) Mr. Basavaraj Malagatti, presenting the certificate, award and sewing machine to one of the tailoring students.



Tailoring Training Hall at the KSM Mission Centre and Dr. L. Shanthakumari inaugurated the building. Later, all the tailoring trainees from the Koramangala Slum and from the villages around KSM Mission Centre, all the invitees and special guests had a wonderful time of fellowship over lunch.

Our sincere thanks to you, our prayer partners who have been supporting us in prayer and



Dr. Sanjay John Deodhar, the Consultant of National Rural Health Mission at the Directorate of Health Services of Karnataka Government, Bangalore, presenting the certificate, award and sewing machine to one of the tailoring students.



*(Left) Mr. Sunil Fernandes, Chartered Accountant, Bangalore, presenting the certificate, award and sewing machine to one of the tailoring students.
(Below) Dr. L. Shanthakumari Sunder, with tailoring trainee graduates and teachers.*



(Above) Dr. L. Shanthakumari Sunder declaring open the newly built tailoring training hall by cutting the ribbon.



(Above) Prayer of dedication by Pastor Aroop Kumar, Agape Baptist Church, Bangalore for the newly built tailoring training hall funded by Hilfe fur Bruder. (Below right) Inauguration of the newly built tailoring training hall by Dr. L. Shanthakumari Sunder.

(Below) Tailoring trainees, teacher, KSM staff with Dr. L. Shanthakumari Sunder inside the new hall.



(Right) Dr Shanthakumari Sunder, chats with one of the trainees.



(Below) 13 graduated tailoring trainees from the villages around the KSM Centre with their teacher.



supporting the KSM Ministry over the years. May each of you experience the blessings of the Lord God Almighty in the days to come and know the reality of having all your needs met according to His riches in Glory in Christ Jesus. "In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the Gospel...." Phil 1:4, "For you are our Glory and joy" 1 Thess 2:20.

– Rev. B. D. Immanuel
Executive Director



(Above) 28 graduated tailoring trainees from the Koramangala Slum with their teacher.



(Right) DCP, Mr. Basavaraj Malagatti and Rev. B. D. Immanuel seeing off Dr. L. Shanthakumari Sunder.

KSM Outreach at Nagavalli & Diddapura

- villages in Chamarajanagar District

There is a belief among the Karnataka politicians that any minister visiting the Chamarajanagar District, is sure to lose his position in the government. Therefore for several years, many ministers, including chief ministers hesitated to take part in any public functions or programs held in this district saying that it is a cursed district. No government official liked to work there. Only as a punishment, officers are sent there. It is one of the backward districts, with very poor infrastructure and bad roads.

In spite of all this, this is the third time that KSM Jeep carried KSM Gospel team on 9th May to Chamarajanagar and camped there. 230 believers consisting of elders, God's servants from Rajajinagar in Bangalore, Agra, Malavalli, Kollegal, Kamgeri, Saligram, Diddapura, Nagavalli and Mysore Brethren Assembly joined the



(Top) KSM jeep carrying outreach team and volunteers at Nagavalli village of Chamarajanagar District conducting open air preaching.

Gospel Camp from 4th to 10th May . For the first 4 days, deeper devotional Bible studies were conducted by a number of God's servants, including Dr. Prabhu Das, elder of the Rajajinagar Brethren Assembly and KSM Board chairman. But on the last day, a Sunday, Rev. B. D. Immanuel, the Executive Director of KSM brought God's message at the Diddapura Brethren Assembly. This message made a tremendous impact on all who gathered for Sunday worship service. We praise God for the immense blessings bestowed on all those gathered there.

For a number of months we were not able to do Gospel outreach in the villages because of severe opposition from the some fanatical

(Left) Mr. H. T. Mathew, evangelist praying with Gospel seekers.





Mr. N. A. Paul, evangelist praying with Gospel seekers.

Gospel Outreach ministry in the Chamarajanagar district prison. This ministry would require additional budget. We are praying that the Lord will provide for this need to encourage those God's servants and believers.

When God is with us on the battle front, the battle is not ours, but the Lord's. Let us stand united for the cause of Christ.

– Report by **N. A. Paul**
Itinerary evangelist

groups in every town and village of Karnataka – even all over India. We praise God for the guidance of the Spirit of God to conduct outreach programs in Nagavalli and Diddapura villages where hundreds of people gathered to listen to the Gospel. Bro. N. A. Paul and Rev. B. D. Immanuel took turns to preach at the open air meetings. We found good response from many non Christians. Members of the local Brethren Assembly and all the team members were filled with zeal for the Lord to preach boldly in the open-air, following it up with house to house visits for personal evangelism. Villagers responded with much enthusiasm and there were no objections from any quarter. They carried home the Gospels that they had bought. Hundreds of Gospel tracts were also distributed in these two villages. The task of catering spiritually to all those hundreds and thousands who are on a desperate search for peace seems great. There is so much to accomplish. The local servants of God and other believers were pleading with KSM team to visit at least once in two months for the

CHEERFUL IN GIVING

God loves a cheerful giver! Over the last 20 years or more several of our friends have donated substantially for the ministries of KSM. Prominent among them are A. R. Murthy's family and Mrs. Chandramathi's family of Mysore, Bro. David Sumithra of Bangalore, Dr. Joe Verghese of Mangalore, Mrs. Shanthakumari of Bidar, Mrs and Mr. Clifford Salins, Mrs. and Mr. Manuel Salins and recently Mr. Alwyn Salins of Mumbai, Mrs. and Mr. N. L. Mao of Guwahati, Mrs. and Mr. L. Pachuau, IPS from Mizoram and many others. They showed their gratitude to the Lord for strengthening His ministry through KSM.

God indeed honors the giver for His ministry by rewarding him or her and their families adequately. Today the Lord has given us precious gifts of men, women and children who are sharing lovingly, faithfully, liberally and sacrificially to meet the needs of KSM ministry. Let us remember, whatever we have done in His Name will never be in vain – *1 Corinthians 15:58*.

Prisoners Receive the Gospel

while the KSM medical team attends to the health needs of prisoners

KSM Medical team consisting of Dr. Shanthi Samuel, nurses Tejaswini and Shyla Chacko together with evangelist N. A. Paul and driver Baby Chacko traveled to Tumkur and Kolar district prisons and also to Bangalore New Central prison.



KSM medical team and volunteers presenting Gospel song at the gathering of prisoners at the Kolar District Prison.

Dr. Jennifer and three nurses from Kolar Methodist Hospital joined with KSM medical team. As always, we took with us gospel tracts, literature and a tambourine as accompaniment to the Gospel songs. We go on the first Saturday of every month to Tumkur prison which has 300 prisoners, on second Saturdays to Kolar prison which has 265 prisoners and on third Saturdays to Bangalore New Central Prison which has 5,000 men

Voluntary doctor, Dr. Celina Jayakumar, examining a prison patient at Kolar District Prison



and 120 women prisoners. On the fourth Saturdays, we go to the Bangalore Open Air Jail which has 60 convicted life-term prisoners. We gather the prisoners at one place to bring them Gospel songs and the message. After this, all prisoners line up to see the doctor and receive free medicines. Prison officials and staff also attend the program.

We begin the program with KSM team and volunteers presenting Gospel songs and one from us will share a testimony or bring Gospel message – the priceless message of God’s love.

Prisoners from various walks of life with broken and bitter pasts and dim futures hear about God who loved them immeasurably, even unto death for them. The Gospel messages touch all those gathered, including the prison officials. Later, tracts, booklets and Gospels are distributed to all. The overall

success of these meetings are so tremendous that KSM was requested by the prison officials to conduct similar programs on a regular basis. In accordance with this request, we have planned to visit these prisons once a month regularly.

We are so grateful to the Lord for the cooperation, encouragement and provision of lunch provided by the Kolar Methodist Hospital and Nursing College.

Please pray for our medical team, evangelists, volunteers, prison officials, jailors, jail staff, officials and above all, the prisoners themselves.

– Report by *H. T. Mathew*
Prison Evangelist

KSM Medical Team at Bangalore Central Prison

KSM's medical team along with a group of Christian men and women belonging to different denominations visited Bangalore Central Prison on the 21st of March for ministering God's word to the inmates of the prison and to conduct



Voluntary doctor, Dr. Jennifer from Methodist Hospital Kolar, examining prison patients.

medical camp for women prisoners. KSM's ambulance picked up all the members en-route to the prison, and the team reached the prison around 10:00 a.m. Rev. Immanuel led the team into the prison after arranging all the necessary formalities of enlisting the names of all the members at the main entrance. After the usual stamping of the prison seal on the forearm of each member, we entered the prison.

The team first went to the women's section. Inside, the team gathered at the hall which is the regular place for gatherings. After leading the team into singing of beautiful Kannada songs, a short message was shared by Evangelist Chandrasekhar and Rev. Immanuel. The men from the team then moved from there to the men's prison, while the women



Dr. Jennifer from Methodist Hospital, Kolar, examining women prisoners, ETCM nurse assisting her.

continued to minister to the women, while the doctor and the nurses attended to their medical needs.

Men in the team went to the chapel inside the men's prison which is the regular place for all the Christian gatherings. The Christian inmates of the prison welcomed us and informed others to come to the chapel. While they were coming one by one into the chapel, the team had a time of prayer.

Rev. Immanuel then asked one of the team members, Mr. Raj Paul who works as a driver in Bangalore Transport Corporation, to come forward and share his personal testimony of what the Lord had done for him. Mr. Raj Paul shared how he was once an ungodly person, how he hated Christians and how his Christian wife used to pray for him. After 18 long years the Lord had miraculously talked to him about his wickedness and convicted him of his sins. His life

KSM nurses distributing free medicines to prisoners.



KSM doctor, Dr. Shanthi Samuel, examining prison patients at Kolar District Prison.

had changed completely, and he started sharing God's message with others. He also shared how he met with an accident just two days after he shared a message in his church based on Job's sufferings, and how the Lord miraculously saved him in spite of severe internal injuries and how even the specialist doctors wondered at the speed at which he recovered totally. At around 11:45 a.m. a total of around a hundred inmates had gathered at the chapel.

Then Rev. Immanuel asked Mr. Chandrasekhar to share his testimony. Mr. Chandrasekhar shared how he was alone in the world from his childhood days without parents, raised by one of his uncles who ill-treated him. He had run away to Bangalore from his native place and lived on the streets. He then went to Bombay and lived a difficult life. This was the time he searched for the true God. And when his leg got badly fractured, he got into a group of Christians, and

Bro. N. A. Paul speaking to prisoners on the Gospel.

started reading the Bible. The words of prophet Isaiah (Is.44:6, 44:10,11) spoke to him and convicted him and made him surrender to His Lordship, and he started serving the Lord.

Then Rev. Immanuel asked Mr. N. A. Paul to share God's word. Mr. Paul shared God's word based on Mt.25:1 to 13 on the parable of ten virgins, five of them prudent and the other five foolish. He shared how our spiritual life should be burning bright at all times with the oil of God's spirit fervently in our hearts, so that when the bridegroom appears we will be able to go into the marriage hall with our lights burning. How tragic it would be if the doors were shut



KSM medical and Gospel team with volunteers in front of the Kolar District Prison entrance.



because we were not ready with our lamps burning. This is a serious matter since it is about our eternal life, either life in heaven or life in hell both never ending. All the while the inmates listened with rapt attention. The final song was sung with joy and fervor which touched all of us.

Then each one of the team members prayed with different inmates individually specific to their needs. Then the team bade good-bye to the inmates and left the prison.

– Franklin D. C.

Prison Ministry at Kolar Sub Jail

On Saturday, March 14th 2009, we went to the Kolar Sub Jail for an outreach ministry. We were a team of about 15 members. It was a bright, sunny Saturday morning. We left Bangalore around 9:30 a.m. and on our way we were discussing about the activities for the day and experiences in our previous mission trips. The sisters and other believers who had come with us were singing songs of praise when something very unexpected happened.

We were about 5-6 kms away from Kolar when suddenly the windshield of the ambulance cracked. But we continued driving and after about 5 mins. the windshield was completely shattered into bits and pieces and fell on us. By God's grace no one was hurt seriously, except for a few small cuts here and there. After the first-aid and cleaning out the glass pieces from inside the ambulance, we continued our journey thanking God for His protection.

In Kolar we were joined by two sisters and a doctor from SARWA Institute who were interested in being a part of our prison ministry.

In the prison, all the prisoners had gathered in the common meeting place. We gave a brief introduction about ourselves and sang a few songs. The evangelist explained the gospel in a very simple language. Many of the people listened with full attention and interest. We then sang two more songs and closed the session with a prayer. As there were three doctors, the prisoners were asked to form three queues to see the doctors. After meeting the doctor they collected free medicines from the sisters. As we were treating their physical needs a small group of people had gathered around the evangelist who was meeting their spiritual needs and praying with them. Some of the ladies who had come with us went to meet with the women prisoners. They listened to their problems, shared the gospel and prayed with them.

After this around 2 p.m. we went to ETCM Hospital Nursing Hostel mess where they had lovingly prepared a delicious lunch for us. After lunch we left for Bangalore around 3 pm.

It was an exciting and wonderful experience to go with the KSM team and be a part in this wonderful ministry among the prisoners.

— Report by
Dr. Celina Jayakumar

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

We often intend to get involved in helping the underprivileged, social outcasts and the down trodden in slums, prisons and villages but somehow the rigors of everyday life never allows this thought to take shape. Yet all that's needed is a little bit of extra effort. The satisfaction you experience speaks for itself.

Would you like to reach out somehow in your own way to those in need of medical aid in slums, prisons and remote villages and to those longing to hear the Gospel and also to those silent cries from beyond the prison walls?? Drop us a line and join us in actively supporting the KSM ministry. Please write to:

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From the Executive Director's Desk



Dearly beloved friends in Christ,

It is always delightful to be able to keep in touch with you periodically, mainly to keep you informed of God's absolute faithfulness in our lives, as well as to let you know how much we count on your continued prayers for the ministry we are engaged in. I cannot imagine how much we can possibly carry on with our work without the assurance that friends like you are constantly lifting us up before God's throne of grace. We are most profoundly grateful to you for your prayers and your generous and liberal response towards the monthly support of evangelists, medical and office team of KSM.

We have so much to share with our friends, we have had a lot of

activities since the last issue of this Newsletter. I am glad to inform you that I had the privilege of sharing God's message at the Brethren Assembly gathering at Chamarajanagar, Diddapura, Nagavalli villages and at the community gathering of SAIACS (South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies) at Kothanur, Bangalore. I also had the privilege of sharing the Gospel with Mr. Basavaraj Malagatti, IPS, the Deputy Commissioner of Police of the Bangalore North-East Division, who came as a special guest for the dedication and inaugural function of the newly built Tailoring Training Hall and to present certificates and awards to some of the 40 tailoring trainees who had successfully completed their 6 months training at the KSM Tailoring Training Centres.



While the recently concluded elections in India are being hailed as a victory for secularism and

***Rev. B. D. Immanuel
sharing the Gospel
message with the quarry
workers and their children
at Kogilu village near KSM
Mission Centre.***

democracy, many God's people in the church also feel it is a victory for all 'praying Christians'. With the near defeat of sectarian and communist parties and with peaceful voting of a massive electorate of over 400 million people, the faithful who have toiled on their knees for our motherland are no doubt



Rev. Immanuel with the quarry workers and their children in front of their hut.

acknowledging the answers to their fervent prayers. The response from national Christian bodies in India has also been one of jubilation and optimism. The United Progressive Alliance (UPA) coalition government led by the secular Indian National Congress party ended up winning 262 of the 543 seats in India's parliament, although the most optimistic poll forecasts has estimated only 215 seats for the ruling alliance.

"The vibrant and responsible electorate of the Indian Democracy have reaffirmed their faith in the UPS in a historic manner", said the National Council of Churches of India on May 18th. This is great victory for secularism. Our Indian people have given a clear verdict. "The Indian voters have shown that they do not want people to be divided on the basis of religion"

We see people around us who are lost without meaning and hope in

life. "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?" Romans 10:13-15. As I meditate on these words, I am challenged by the fact that God has done everything possible for us by giving himself TOTALLY to us and now He depends on us to give ourselves totally to share this Gospel by which love, hope and life comes to mankind. God wants us to use our time, talents and resources to accomplish this task of giving His message to the lost world. We would be delighted to hear from each one of you. We trust and pray that the Lord will bless you richly as you continue to serve Him along with us.

With best wishes and prayerful regards,

– Rev. B. D. Immanuel

Praise God for ...

1. *The successful dedication and inauguration of the newly built Tailoring Training Hall funded by the Hilfe fur Bruder, Germany, and the presentation of certificates, awards and sewing machines to 40 tailoring trainees*
2. *God's faithfulness to us and to the KSM ministries during the past 26 years and to God's people who continue to pray and support the ministry.*
3. *Successful outreach programs in Chamarajanagar, Diddapura and Nagavalli villages during the 2nd week of May 2009. Hundreds of villagers heard the Gospel messages.*
4. *Fruitful and effective evangelistic medical ministry programs in Bangalore New Central Prison, Kolar and Tumkur District Prisons, Bangalore Open Air Jail, two villages, in KSM Mission Centre and Koramangala Slum Clinics.*
5. *Hundreds of outpatients being treated at both KSM Clinics and mobile clinics in prisons and villages and the Gospel shared.*
6. *Answered prayers for the various needs of the staff and their children, prayer partners and supporters of KSM.*
4. *Good health for the KSM staff and children. Some of them are sick with Chikungunia and other illnesses.*
5. *God's wisdom to be granted to the leadership of KSM that they may guide the ministry in a way that will please the Lord and bless the lives of thousands of people.*
6. *For Karnataka State ruled by BJP and for our nation and His church that stands between God and the people.*
7. *For the forthcoming Board meeting.*

Pray and Share ...

1. *For those whom we have reached out in the villages, slum and prisons with the Gospel through outreach programs and for the seekers.*
2. *For the staff and medical ministry in the Koramangala slum, prisons and villages.*
3. *For funds needed for the support of KSM outreach, medical, prison, tailoring training for school dropout*

girls and unemployed women and for the establishment.

Tabea and Damaris

from Germany visit KSM

On 3rd April '09, Tabea and Damaris, two young girls from South Germany visited the KSM Mission Centre and witnessed its activities at Koramangala Slum Clinic and Tailoring Training Centers. It was wonderful to have both of them as our guests. As we spent time in sharing and fellowshiping with one another, it was a unique experience of blessing to all of us. We are grateful to God for bringing these two young persons to visit us. It is our prayer that the Lord would bless our fellowship to strengthen His ministry among the people in the slums, prisons and villages in Karnataka. Both of them expressed the joy and happiness they experienced while they were with us. They said "thanks for a wonderful day with nice impressions in your Mission and your cordial hospitality. We wish you God's blessings for your work and for your family".