

Dear CrossWinds,

I am delighted to share with you the wonderful works of the Lord in our ministry here in India.

Despite the challenges we face, God's protection and provision are evident in our lives. We have had some close calls with religious enemies, but the Lord has been our shield and defender, keeping us safe and secure.

I know that month after month, I have been sharing news of persecution and challenges. I understand it might seem repetitive, but I want to assure you that this is the reality on the ground here. Recently, in Orissa two men were severely beaten, kicked, punched, forced to eat grass & chew like cow while walking on knee, drink from sewerage and they walked on their knee like cow for about two miles. The only crime they committed is that: they are belonging to low caste/low section people in the society and they were taking a cow and calf to their village to use in a family function. Cows are considered and worshipped as gods; I hope you know this already.

Amid opposition and arrest risk of Pastors I am pleased to report that many non Christians have received Christ and taken the step of water baptism. Additionally, many others are preparing for baptism, and we are excited to see what God is doing in their lives. Our team is working tirelessly to spread the Gospel, and many are responding to the Good News.

As we continue to minister to the community, we have identified some essential needs which already I have brought to your knowledge in previous newsletters. And now the new academic session has been begun from June 20<sup>th</sup> June and our schoolchildren require basic supplies like textbooks, uniforms, and other essentials to help them learn and grow. Moreover, our school building is in need of repairs, as it's leaking from the roof in some corners and requires attention to ensure a safe stay.

I am ever grateful for your prayers & support, which enables us to continue sharing the love of Christ with our community and help the needy children. Your prayers, encouragement, and financial support make the difference.

Thank you for standing with us in this mission. We are excited to see what God has in store for us in the coming months.

**Prayer Requests:**

1. for continued protection and safety in the face of persecution
2. for the spiritual growth and maturity of our believers and stand firm in the midst of persecution.
3. for provision of essential needs for our schoolchildren and building repairs and pastoral support.
4. for me and my family for wisdom, strength, protection to lead the ministry.

A new church to be dedicated on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July



First church building ever for that region



Mami Nayak with 2 kids accepted Christ.



Sister Liza & Rocky accepted Christ

