

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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I am writing to you with great excitement and a heart overflowing with gratitude for the incredible work that God has done through us during our recent one-week trip to the remote villages of India. During our time in these villages, we were privileged to witness many people come to know the Lord. Through our outreach efforts, we shared the gospel message with those who had never heard it before. It was humbling to see the Holy Spirit work in the hearts of these people, and to watch as they eagerly accepted the message of salvation. Altogether, more than 50 people accepted the Lord Jesus Christ.

One of the most memorable moments of the trip was the baptism ceremony in a nearby lake. **31 people from 6-7 different churches were baptized**. They were eagerly waiting for this day from the past 2 months. They got baptized that day, publicly declaring their faith in Jesus Christ. The joy and enthusiasm that filled the air was contagious, and we felt blessed to be a part of it.

Our recent visit to a town called Athani, to celebrate the **4th anniversary of a local church**, was a true testament to the power of faith and community. The people of Athani, who had travelled from far and wide to attend the church gatherings, rejoiced in their shared love for Christ and for each other. As we read in Psalm 133:1, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" The spirit of unity and fellowship was evident throughout the celebrations, as the congregants lifted their voices in prayer and worship. We left Athani feeling deeply inspired and grateful for the opportunity to witness first-hand the beauty of God's love in action.

As you may recall, we had raised funds for church building construction during our last trip to US, and I am thrilled to report that **the construction of two churches is coming along nicely**. Through the generosity and love of God's children, we have been able to make significant progress on the building. The construction of this church building is an important step in spreading the gospel message in this remote region of Karnataka. It will serve as a place of worship, fellowship, and spiritual growth for the local community. We are grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this project and to see the amazing things that God is doing through it. As we continue with the construction, we ask for your continued prayers and support.

Yours in His service

Isaac Bhasme