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Greetings! The new year has kept the office worker (my wife, Lenora) busy with closing out the old year and setting up for 2020. We have begun excited, seeing opportunities never imagined before for this old couple. We continue in good health, moving forward vs. backwards by God 's grace. The next few months we will be visiting supporting churches and taking meetings in new ones. Travel outside the country is not scheduled at this time.

News from FOM India--It is a blessing to help young men who are called to preach to study to show themselves approved. In the province of Orissa we host a Bible School (FOM Bible School). It is under the direction of our Indian representative, Joevest Varghese. Three of our students this year come from an unreached tribal group called the Gonda tribe. These people are socially backward and not received at all by the high caste people. One student recently went to a barbershop to have his hair cut. The barber told him to leave immediately because he was from a low caste tribe. (If anyone is converted to Christ, they are also shunned.)

One student, Sudam, was beaten very badly by his father for his faith in Christ and locked in a room for three days without any food. His family and community people asked him to deny Christ, but he had the boldness to tell them, "Even though you kill me, I remain a Christian."

Another student, when he went fishing for his living, the village people threatened him and told him, "Do not pollute our holy river." In India many rivers are considered as holy. They believe that taking a dip in such will give forgiveness of sins. So when a Christian touches the water it becomes polluted. In general the students struggle financially because no one will hire them for part-time jobs, making school very difficult. However, with all the difficulties they continue to make passing grades in school and graduates from last year have planted 7 new house churches. Most of these must meet very quietly with wisdom as to service times, baptisms (some done at night), music, etc. I wonder what kind of attendance we would have in our local fundamental churches if a similar situation were here? We now have air-conditioned buildings, padded pews, licensed nurseries, super multi-media presentations, and if you continue to preach the gospel straight and clear, the attendance declines unless you bring in the world's music and liberal Bible presentation. So our hats are off to those who pay a price to stand for the Saviour. Please pray for these students. We are only able to help them in a small way. Twenty-five dollars monthly would meet their needs. Hopefully we will see God supply in some way. In the past we helped one student by purchasing a cow for him. Through milk and milk products, plus breeding, his needs were met.

It is our blessing to have a part in the lives of those who have great character and faith in our Saviour. Surely the Judgment Seat of Christ will reveal where the true believers are and the rewards will be given for service rendered.

Thank you for helping us here at FOMMI. This work in India is one of many areas in which you have helped us invest. More next time.

Continuing on,



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