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THE LIAISON

A Time to Celebrate!



Above, Rev. Mohod teaching students in the new Memorial Chapel

India - We are rejoicing that for the first time, Grace Bible College is on its OWN two acre campus this year! The property was purchased in 2007 to provide Indian men and women Biblically sound training for a lifetime of ministry reaching India for Christ. Now we are seeing this fulfilled

on the property. This is indeed worthy of a

praise celebration! ***We praise God and thank our ministry partners who have donated to these projects as we continue to move forward.***

Within the last year here is what the Lord has blessed us with:

- The Grace Bible College Memorial Chapel, completed and 100% paid
- Two shipping container dormitories, completed and 100% paid
- Large concrete pad between the dormitories, completed and 100% paid
- New bunkbeds and re-painting of older bunkbeds, completed and 100% paid
- One shower/bathroom block, completed and 100% paid
- Septic leach field, completed and 100% paid
- Electric connection, completed and 100% paid
- Water connection, completed and 100% paid
- Water tank and lines, completed and 100% paid
- The dining hall, the current structure is 100% paid (work still needed)
- The kitchen, current structure is 100% paid (work still needed)

Right, Principal Dr. Tantarvale with the Grace Bible College 2015-2016 students on the steps of the new Memorial Chapel. *What a heart-warming sight!* We have much to rejoice over! Special thanks to Principal and the rest of the Indian team for their tireless efforts as they juggled heat, dust, rain, moving, painting, contractors, as well as preparing for a full school year.



Left, the 40' x 60' dining hall.

Right, students in class in the dining hall. Kitchen is behind Sanjay (blue shirt).



Left, one of the dorms just before (right) the boys moved in and made themselves right at home.



The Kids are Back in Town!



India - With the roof repaired, the last of the holes filled, and plaster refreshed by busy workers, the children are back in our Children's Home for the new semester which began the last week in June.

We now have a home full of bustling children. Thank you to our generous donors who have helped make the repairs of the roof and walls possible.

Every day these young people receive Bible training and work hard at memorizing passages of Scriptures.

They work hard in school and so after their homework and tutoring each day they play sports and feed the animals; chickens, ducks, geese, dogs and rabbits.

Thank you for impacting these young lives for eternity! - Sarah Rieger



Practical ways you can impact these young lives:

- Pray for the children; if you would like an email with a name and picture of one of these kids you can pray for specifically sent to you, please email Sarah at srieger@IndigenousMinistries.org.

- Sponsor a child @ \$35/month. You will receive a packet with that child's photo, bio and ways to communicate with him or her. A Christmas gift in your loved one's honor? Contact Sarah, email above.

- The interior and exterior walls need fresh paint. Would you care to help buy a bucket of paint or two? \$5,368, of the \$10,000 is still needed for these and other maintenance issues; any gift you give towards these repairs is greatly appreciated. God bless you.

Egypt Ministry Update - Outreach and Mercy Ministry

Egypt - Each May, hundreds of thousands of Egyptians attend a festival honoring the Virgin Mary. It's held at The Church of The Holy Virgin, which is a centuries' old church carved out of solid rock.

Each Spring, our Egyptian ministry team uses this bustling, noisy outdoor festival as an opportunity to interact with attendees. This year a team of 20 camped out in the dust and heat for a week, handed out 27,000 salvation tracts, held 70 small group meetings, and met individually with 120 people.

Why is this important and why should we care? Because 28 people asked for follow up meetings so they could know more about Christ...28 souls. Most of them made decisions for Christ. Praise God!

These are your Brothers and Sisters on that ministry team...dear ones whom we have loved for years. We've labored in prayer for them through the violence and turmoil in Egypt. Miriam was part of that team...she was kidnapped, raped and tortured by Muslim extremists. These men and women are faithfully serving and we're asking that you continue to pray for them and the church plants in Egypt.



Above and below, pastor and team member share the Gospel with young men at the festival. Below and left, prayer and worship meetings.

As part of our Global Church Planting Initiative, we financially support the national church planters on this team, however they are under-funded. We need financial partners to help with any part of the \$500/month to support one pastor. If you or your church would like a cutting edge way to reach Egypt for Christ, join us! Use the response card on page 4. Thank you so much.

In October, John Cook will lead an Indigenous Ministries team to lead a pastors' conference in Egypt. Please pray for this time.



Mercy Ministry - In addition to regular nightly worship services as well as Sunday morning services in the churches, our church planters and leaders monthly give out food packets to families in poor neighborhoods. They have seen a number come to Christ through the Mercy Ministry. This is also our ministry's "giving a fish" to those in need through our churches.

Left, Egyptian village woman with her box of food from the Mercy Ministry



Committed to Christ; Preparing for a Lifetime of Ministry

India - Ruben Murari graduated from Grace Bible College with highest honors this spring. He received the Indigenous Ministries' Scholastic Award Scholarship in recognition for his accomplishments. He is continuing his education at an Indian seminary and in three years after graduation, Ruben will come on staff with Indigenous Ministries.



Ruben speaking in the GBC Memorial Chapel after graduation

We are raising \$2500 for his seminary education. If the Lord leads you to engage in helping this young man as he prepares for a lifetime of ministry for the Lord Jesus Christ in India, please donate online at www.IndigenousMinistries.org, select "Ruben Murari." Thank you!

Six more GBC student sponsorships are available at \$100/month. Thank you for praying for this need with us! What a privilege to invest in these young men and women! -Sarah Rieger, Executive Assistant for Child and Student Sponsorships, srieger@IndigenousMinistries.org



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New Board Member, Craig Miller

It's an honor to introduce Dr. Craig Miller, senior pastor of Grace Baptist Church, Cedarville, Ohio. He and his wife, Kathy, have three grown children and one grandchild. Pastor Craig has a deep heart for the Bride of Christ and the global outreach of Indigenous Ministries. He has visited GBC in India and Grace in Cedarville has stood in partnership with us of GBC for many years. We warmly welcome him and look forward to many fruitful years of ministry together.



John and Dee's Personal Support Update



We're so grateful to the Lord and our Indigenous Ministries' family for the many years of faithful prayers and financial support. Our staff's personal support (except for administrative staff) does not come from any of the funds raised for projects or the ministry itself, rather, we each raise our own. Personally, we are extremely blessed to have an incredibly faithful team that supports us.

At this time we have a deficit of \$1100/month in our personal account due to our sponsors having lost jobs, retired or gone home to be with the Lord. In addition, we raise our own travel funds, and Dee is raising her salary as director of Beautiful. Would you please pray with us for additional supporters, and if you feel led to be part of our personal team, we'd be honored. Donate online at www.IndigenousMinistries.org and select our names in the dropdown list. Thank you, John and Dee Cook

Nepal Relief Update - Please visit our website and read the July 6 blog entitled "Nepal Relief Supplies Delivered." Great news and pictures! We also post all articles in "The Liaison" on our website - check it out.

Response Card

- ___ Yes, I'd like to give \$ ___ to the GBC Dining Hall Project
- ___ I'm giving \$ ___/mo. to sponsor a church planter in Egypt
- ___ I'd like to give \$ ___ to repair the Children's Home
- ___ I'd like to sponsor a student at GBC for \$100/month
- ___ I'd like to give \$ ___ to Beautiful Int'l Women's Ministry

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