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SEEKING THE FACE OF THE LORD

The world is full of seekers. They are seeking one thing or another. There are different things on which people concentrate ---, they are seeking to be more and more wealthy or move up the social ladder to become someone they want to be. Some are seeking to become popular in their own circles, while some others seek self-gratification or worldly pleasures. Most people are seeking anything other than God Himself. The Lord urges His children to seek the Lord. In this article we will concentrate on studying the subject of "seeking" the Lord. In Hos. 10:12, the prophet says "Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the Lord till He rains righteousness upon you." Hosea was a prophet of the Northern kingdom of Israel, and prophesied before it went into captivity to the Assyrians. In those days, Israel had mixed the practices of the nations around her country to the commandments of God. She was in a pathetic backsliden state

and the Lord speaks through Hosea to warn Israel of the impending devastation. This is a clarion call to all the backslidden Christians to get out of "fallow ground". Fallow ground does not have roots deep enough to draw the minerals and water from it which are needed to bear fruit. Jesus does not want us to become stale in our Christian walk. The longer we live in fallow ground the harder it will be for us to get into 'revival' mode. We can see the world heading towards the end time prophetic days, and many of us see fulfilment of the end time prophesy before our very eyes indicating that we are living in the "last days". If this is so, are we seeking the face of the Lord? Hosea urges his hearers to 'break up the fallow ground'. Until we do some real ground breaking in our lives and seek the face of the Lord, we will not be ready for the coming of the Lord and the rapture of the saints (I Thes 4:16,17). Jesus speaks of the 10 virgins in the parable recorded in Matt 25: 1-13. The five wise ones

who were ready with their lamps lit were the only ones who were able to attend the wedding!!

The world and what it seeks

In Matt 6:31-34 Jesus is talking about people who are worried about their daily necessities and constantly worried about eating and drinking and what to wear - these He is referring to as worldly things. These, Jesus says, should not be the concern of the believers, because, "your Heavenly Father knows that you need all these things". Instead, Jesus says, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness". He continues to tell us not to worry about tomorrows.

In the time of Jesus as it is today as well, people want to see a sign to believe. The Pharisees in Matt 12:38 ask Jesus for a sign in order to believe in Him. Jesus answers in Matt 12:39, "...An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign and no sign will be given except the sign of the prophet Jonah". That is all they needed to know that Jesus was the Messiah. Today many want to see a sign about the coming of the Lord or to believe in Him, but the Lord has already given us in the Bible all that we need to know about His coming again in the Bible. He is not going to give us any new signs other than what is already written, "...for that day and hour no man knows". Paul says in I Cor 1: 22, 23 "For the Jews request a sign and the Greeks seek after wisdom but we preach Christ crucified ...". If we continue to live a life pleasing to God, we will not need any sign and All we need to do is to work for the Lord with the gifts and talents.

He has given us and then we will not be disappointed when He does come "as a thief in the night".

Jesus gives a parable about a rich man in Luke. 12:16-21. He had not enough room to store his riches, and so he builds bigger barns to store his goods and says, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry". Are you seeking to become rich in this world and have no time to seek the face of the Lord as this rich man did? Remember the conclusion of this parable, "But God said to him, 'You fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' We need to get our priorities straightened. Which is more important : to "lay up enduring treasures in heaven" or to lay up transient treasures in this world? We will soon realize that worldly pleasures will draw us away from heavenly things, and we may find ourselves in the shoes of the five foolish virgins!!

In Rom 3:11 the apostle Paul quoting from Ps 14 says "there is none that seek after God". Further in Phil 2:21 he says, "All seek their own, not the things which are of Christ Jesus". The Lord is speaking to each one of us that we are ready to seek anything else other than God. Why is it so obvious, is it because we have more TV shows, or is it because we have more internet access to read and see things that excite us or to indulge in playing games on our smart phones or spend time on social networking? All these will consume us and take away the time that rightly belongs to God, and we will be found as a people who are ready to seek after anything other than God!

The command to seek the Lord

In Ps 27: 8, David speaks of a time when the Lord said to him, "When You said, 'Seek My face,'". This was a command from the Lord to seek His face. David responds saying, "Your face, Lord, will I seek". Here is what David sought after. We read about it in the same Psalm and verse 4, "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple". In other words, He was not interested in anything other than just to be in the presence of the Lord and to meditate on the wonderful word of God that He worshipped. How great was that desire of David!! What will you seek after in response to His call to seek Him? Many of us do desire to seek Him just as David did, but the cares of this world and the riches of this world become a distraction for us. It will be good to lock yourself from the world and meditate on Him and His Word. Turn off the TV, the internet, and the smart phones, then you will be living like some of us lived before these things came into existence. Now go into the closet, a quiet place, and read the Bible and spend time with Him and let Him speak to you. You will have a wonderful experience with the Lord. There is a hymn attributed to William Dun Longstaff that says,

"Take time to be holy, Speak oft with thy Lord; Abide in Him always, And feed on His Word; Make friends of God's children, Help those who are weak; Forgetting in nothing

His blessing to seek.

The prophet Amos lived during the same time as did Hosea. He too was speaking the word of the Lord to the Northern kingdom of

Israel. God was sending them warning messages of captivity through His prophets urging them to repent. God does not bring judgement on any one without warning and asking for repentance. Surely He was going to judge Israel for their wickedness of turning to other gods. You see, the Northern kingdom of Israel had established their own gods in Dan and Bethel and they had forsaken the Lord God. In Amos 5:5 and 6, God says " Seek Me and live Seek the Lord and live". In these verses He, in fact, told them the places that would go into captivity and so not to enter those places. God cares for His people even though they had forsaken Him and warns them of the impending captivity, and those who did not heed to His words were in trouble. God wants us to seek His face because He is interested in blessing us and protecting us from impending disasters.

One of my favourite verses in the scripture is found in Is 55: 6. Make this a memory verse and teach your children to memorize it. "Seek the Lord while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near". This is a command from the Lord to seek Him. Verse 7 calls for repentance. This verse implies that we should not miss opportunities to seek Him. Sometimes, when we hear a message in the church or on the TV or we read the Bible the Lord begins to convict us of our sins. When we are convicted, it is a sure indication that the Lord is asking us to repent right then and there and not to miss the opportunity, lest we forget the promptings of the Lord. Fanny Crosby wrote a hymn called "Pass me not O gentle Saviour" and in one of the verses it says, "Trusting only in Thy merit, Would I seek Thy face; Heal my

wounded, broken spirit, Save me by Thy grace." Sometimes we have a broken spirit that needs healing from the Lord, and it is time then to seek the Lord. No one else can heal a broken spirit except the Lord Jesus. Though He may tarry, yet He will not let you down.

How to seek the Lord

1. With the whole heart: The Bible encourages us to seek the Lord with a whole heart. Moses warns the children of Israel that if they went into idolatry and worship other gods, He will surely scatter them into the nations of the world. But he says that even when they have been scattered as punishment, if they seek the Lord with a whole heart, they will find Him. In Deut 4:29 we read, "But from there you will seek the Lord your God, and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul". So what does it mean "with a whole heart". This means there should be no idols in our heart. You may not be worshipping tangible idols, but there are other things that take the place that God rightly deserves in your heart. For example, you would like to imitate somebody or follow someone's ungodly lifestyle. Sometimes it could be the domination of the smartphones. Wherever I go I see people constantly reading or watching something in the smartphone. There is now less conversation within families in the car or van. There is less conversation in the home. There is less conversation around a restaurant table. Everyone seems to be so busy with a little toy. As a result, this smartphone has become the idol of the day!!! I am not against smartphones: after all, I was once the Chief Engineer of an R&D of a

Telephone Company!! I am just as guilty and my wife reminds me that reading the news can wait till after dinner around the table!! Seeking God with a whole heart requires us to put all these modern 'toys' aside and spending time with God. We read about this again in Jer 29:13, "And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart". Nicodemus came to Jesus by night, and sought Him. Jesus did not disappoint him for He found out what it meant to be born again.

2. Early in the morning: The early morning hours are the best time to seek the Lord because, everyone in the house is still sleeping and you still have a lot of time before you rush off to work. Commit the day early in the morning into His loving hands. And before you leave home to work, get your family together and lead them in a prayer as you pray for your wife and each child, and then leave home. What a blessing both to you and your family!! In Prov 8:17 it says, "I love those who love me, And those who seek me early (diligently) will find me." Jesus is a telling example as we read in Mk 1:35, "Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place, and there He prayed". What a tremendous example Jesus is to all of us. If He needed to spend early mornings in communion with God His father, don't you ... think that you are missing out on a blessed time when you fail to do so? May be you are tired and get back late at night from work, but find a little time every day to spend with the Lord. Jacob wrestled with God all night until early in the morning and the Lord commended Him for it and changed his name

to Israel and that name still exists today!! The great prayer warrior E M Bounds said this: "The men who have done the most for God in this world have been early on their knees. He who fritters away the early morning, its opportunity and freshness in other pursuits than seeking God will make poor headway seeking Him the rest of the day. If God is not first in our thoughts and efforts in the morning, He will be in the last place the remainder of the day."

3. Always: How do we do this in a very busy world? You can find time as you drive your car to work or while sitting in the train to get to work. Some spend an hour or two to get to work and return. You can spend time talking to the Lord and you can do this all day long whenever you get a break from work. There was a time when I felt that I should take a Bible study at work and find some Christians to come and bring their friends. I took the afternoon lunch time and spent time with the Lord in the library (a very quiet place). That led me to study Isaiah, and as I read it I began to make my own notes as the Lord began to speak to me. Over a period of time I was ready to teach from the book of Isaiah. It led to many fruitful Bible studies at work, once a week during lunch break for many years!. God will lead you when you seek Him and ask Him how you can be useful for His kingdom. In I Chr 16:11 it reads, "... seek His face continually ...". Again in Ps 105: 4 we read, "Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His face evermore".

4. By Fasting: There are times when we need to fast and pray. There may be a time when you have personal or family issues to deal with, and you are seeking God's

guidance. Maybe there are some sick in the church and you may need to get together as a group of believers and pray for their healing. In the days of Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, many enemies had gathered to fight against him. He proclaimed a fast throughout Judah. In II Chr 20: 3, we read, "*And Jehoshaphat feared and set himself to seek the Lord and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah*". This resulted in the defeat of his enemies and we read in verse 22, "*Now when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushes against the people And they were defeated.*" In Ezra 8:21 Ezra seeks guidance from the Lord by seeking His face by fasting. After the event at the Mount of Transfiguration, when Jesus came down, his disciples had failed to cast out a demon from a boy and Jesus said, "*These things cometh not but by prayer and fasting*".

Blessings of seeking the Lord

There is deliverance from fear as in Ps 34:4, "*I sought the Lord and He heard me and delivered me from all my fears*". Ezra 8:22 says, "... the hand of the Lord is good for all that seek Him". Ps 34:10, "*The young lions do lack and suffer hunger, but they that seek the Lord shall not lack any good thing*". Again in Ps 9:10 we read, "... For You have not forsaken those who seek You". II Chr 7:14 says, "*If my people that are called by My Name shall humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land*".

In fact, it is said of Rehoboam in II Chr 12:14, "*.. he did evil, because he prepared not his heart to seek the Lord*".

Daniel Henderson says, "*Every time I set my face to seeking God in a fresh way, God begins to change my heart, my mind, my preaching, and my leadership skills. When any believer commits his or her heart to seeking the Lord, everything is going to change.*" I will end this message with this song we used to sing in the Sunday School as a youngster:

What are you seeking day by day
Working with heart and hands?
Is it for honor in the fray, is it for wealth
and land?

Turn from your eager longing souls,

Turn from the world's great strife;

Seek ye the kingdom of heaven first,
seek ye eternal life.

For the kingdom of heaven is better than pearls of a priceless worth,

Than kingdoms great or pomp of state,
than the kingdoms of all the earth.

For it ever abideth within you, this hope of an endless life.

Let the dark clouds roll from your heart and soul,

Let the light of His kingdom shine.

- Dr. SAM RUSELL

EDITORIAL

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the sweet name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us praise the Lord who has protected and guided us so far by His abundant grace.

"The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the Lord is sure making wise the simple." -- Psalm 19:7

If we ponder over Nature and scientific truths, we can confirm that all that have been said in the verses in the Bible are true. "*The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge.*" How true are these words which testify the glory of God ! Thus it is necessary for us to understand the words of God who created all that are in the entire universe. The

Bible constantly talks to us every day of our life. This book declares the wonders and power of the Living Words of God.

The holy Bible is a unique book which reveals many new thoughts every time we read it, and shows us new paths giving us new insights into His words. There is no other book in the world which can be compared to the Bible.

At one time the enemies of God tried to destroy the Bible totally. On the contrary, the Bible is ever spreading through the length and breadth of the world. The scholar Voltaire once said: In a few centuries people will totally forget the Bible and it will be kept in the museums as a rare commodity. But do you know what happened after a hundred years of his statement? The organization called 'Geneva Bible Society' was started in the very house where Voltaire lived !

China, which has the largest population in the world, was once radically against the entry of Christians and against introducing the Bible. That is past history. Today the Chinese have translated the Bible into 90 languages and have sent them to many nations in the world. Many people in China are Christians today. How true are the words : "*And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*" (John 8:32) Let us praise the Lord for this. Let us earnestly desire that in our country also the Bible should be available in all Indian languages. Our organization, Indian Bible Translators (IBT) is precisely doing this service of translating the Bible into many Indian languages. We need more God's servants to do this all important ministry. Please pray for this ministry with burden and also come forward to become a part of this ministry.

The gospel of Matthew is now getting ready to be printed in Koya language. The gospel of Luke is being printed in Erava language. Both Bro Azaria and sister Ravina came over to IBT head office in Coimbatore and completed the translation work in the said languages. Rev Subramani along with Bro Jabaraj will do the final checking of the Old Testament portions which have been translated into Chhattisgarhi language. The key-in work in the computer of the New Testament in Irula language has been done. Sister Philomina, who was translating the Bible into Kodavathak language being spoken in Mysore, became unconscious all of a sudden and fell down and expired. Please pray for the consolation of this sister's bereaved family. The entire New Testament has been translated in Kodavathak language. Please pray for someone else to continue the translation of the Bible in this language.

On 11th September Bro D.Vasu gave God's message during the morning worship service

conducted in the Arputhanathar Church, Tirumangalam, and he also explained about the ministries of IBT. On 18th September the General Body meeting of IBT and WPT Board meeting were conducted at Bible Translators Training Centre, Coimbatore. On that occasion the annual income - expenditure statement was submitted and approved. Bro Timothy and sister Navamani were elected as the new President and treasurer respectively. On 24th September evening Bro Rajasekar conducted Bible study class for the youth in the A.G. church in Trissur (Kerala) and on 25th September during the morning worship service he gave God's message, while Bro Reji Jellipara explained about IBT ministries. Bro. Christopher was conducted Bible study in the same church after 1st service was over. Bro.S.Thimothy gave God's message at the Church service conducted by Beanpahgram ministries India, Trissur. The same day morning Sister Pearl Quili Raja gave God's message at the TELC church in Arulpuram and Bro John Sekar explained about various IBT ministries. On October 1st Bro A. Sasikumar gave God's message during the one-day IBT meeting conducted at CSI Brough church auditorium in Erode. On 10-10-2016, IBT one day meeting was held at Tiruppur TELC Parish Hall. Bro. S. Rajasekar and Rev. Stanley Kumar gave God's message and Sis. Navamani Sekar explained about IBT ministry. Please pray in your personal prayer for the upcoming checking of translated Bible portions, Missionary ministry and promotional meetings. We also pray for you all. May the Lord be with each of our families, bless us all and guide us in our lives.

In the service of the Lord,
- **Thirumathi D. Sudandiradevi**

FIELD NEWS

Translator/Missionary : Sister Anuradha
Mission field : Aravangadu (Tamil Nadu)
Language : Baduga

May the holy name of Lord Jesus be glorified. I thank God for His abundant grace which enabled me to do BSI final checking of translated Bible portions. On 1st and 2nd August 40 chapters of the book of Isaiah were checked in Bangalore. The books of Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel are difficult to translate. Therefore, we wish to check the translated portions of these books before the historical books. Myself and Bro Chandran have planned to check the translated portion of the book of Isiah chapters 41 to 66. It will take 10 days for us. This portion is now ready for next checking and key-in work in the computer.

As for promotional work, I met six families and prayed for them. Then I met six other families at the men's workshop in West Hosahatti, Conoor, shared God's love with them and prayed for them. We also met sister Annapoorani, who is supporting IBT ministries with offerings and prayer, and prayed for her. We shared with two sisters Anushiya and Lalitha the love of Jesus Christ. Please pray for my family and our ministries.

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Translator/Missionary : Bro Narayan Puria
Mission field : Puriakudi (Odisha)
Language : Kondaporja

I praise the Lord from the bottom of my heart. By the abundant grace of the Lord, last month I could complete the translation of these

portions: In the Old Testament the book of Ezekiel chapters 34:15 to 48:34 and the book of Daniel chapters 1:1 to 4:37.

As part of my missionary work, I met three brothers named Bro Golyonavok, Mulia and Dhana and gave them the gospel book of Mark. Moreover, I read to them the passage Matthew 21: 28 to 32 and prayed for them and their families. These three brothers told me about their desire to attend the church service. Therefore, please pray for them and also for my missionary work.

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Missionary : Lemon Chinchani
Mission field : Bodomasigan (Odisha)

I greet you who are in God the Father and Lord Jesus Christ. Last month I visited 18 villages and shared the Good News with the villagers and prayed for them. These days 18 believers from 4 villages are participating in the Sunday worship services. I conduct children's ministry in the village Bodomasigan. I conduct house prayer meetings twice a week in the villages Deenguguda and Mogalpodur. Nowadays I share God's message with the people using the parables in the Bible. Now I also visit the new village Dongula and do God's ministry there. By the abundant grace of the Lord, 7 persons are closely moving with me. Several times I talk with them general matters, and whenever I get an opportunity I also share the Good News with them. They listened to me with keen interest. Please pray for them. Also pray for starting new prayer cells, for my ministry and for my family.

Missionary : Bro Rubandas Chinchani

Mission field : Khukkhundu (U.P)

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Last month God gave me the grace of meeting families in 24 villages. We have proclaimed the Good News and the love of God to 15 persons. 30 believers are participating in the worship services conducted in our church. In our church, a sister named Kudia was in agony as they did not have a child in 8 years of their married life. We prayed for this family in our fasting prayer meetings many times. By the abundant grace of the Lord, last month God blessed this sister with a male baby. Thanks to God. Please pray for my ministry and my family.

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Translator : Poongili Sreeraj

Mission field : Toda village (Ooty, T.N.)

Language : Toda

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ abide with you. I am translating the New Testament in Toda language, having close contact with Toda speaking people. I also do missionary work whenever I get an opportunity. On 6th August 2016 Mr Selvin, son of IBT Founder Rev S.Panneerselvam, along with other God's servant came to my place. They conducted worship service and shared God's Word and encouraged the people in the Toda village. This was a great blessing to us. These days God enabled me to translate Ephesians chapters 1 and 2. I praise God for this. Please pray for my ministry and family.

Missionary : Israel Edla

Mission field : Kondapuri (Odisha)

Greetings in the sweet name of Lord Jesus Christ. Last month we visited 25 villages and did gospel ministry. Particularly, we shared the Good News with 14 men and 8 women (all Hindus) belonging to the place called Sammalingam. Some of them who heard us spoke to us freely. They told me the problems in their families. It was very painful to me. I prayed for the solution of their problems and for their continued faith life, and encouraged them with God's Word. Please pray for the fasting prayer conducted in Kondapuri and for Sunday worship services.

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Missionary : Amarbar Nag

Mission field : Katni (M.P.)

May the name of the Lord be glorified. By the abundant grace of the Lord, last month I visited 21 villages and distributed tracts to more than 450 persons. I was highly excited to see their eagerness in the gospel. The Holy Spirit helped me to receive 22 new believers from these villages. Please pray for the doors to be opened for the conduct of House prayer meetings in these villages. Now pray for the conduct of Sunday worship services, fasting prayer meetings and House prayer meetings in the place called Katni and also for my family.

COMPELLING LOVE

READ : 2 CORINTHIANS 5:9-15

I read a story some time ago about an aspiring young golfer who spent hours in his backyard practicing his golf swing. He wasn't allowed to use a real golf ball close to the house, but only a plastic, practice ball.

One day, when he thought both his parents were gone, he longed to hear the sweet clock of a club head meeting a real golf ball. So he went outside, teed one up, took a mighty swing, and accidentally hit the ball through his parents' bedroom window.

I'll let him tell the rest of the story: "I heard the glass shatter, and then I heard my mother cry out. I ran into the house and up the stairs to her bed room. She was standing there in front of the broken window and she was bleeding. I started to cry and I couldn't stop. All I could say

was "Mom, what have I done! What have I done! I'm so sorry! I'm so sorry!" Her response was to hug me and say, 'It's all right; everything's going to be all right.' After that I never wanted to take a real golf ball into the backyard."

When we think about our Lord suffering for us on the cross, we want to live "for Him who died for (us) and rose again" (2 Corinthians 5:15). After we've heard His words of forgiveness, there are things we just never want to do again - in the backyard, or in any other place. - DHR

*Down from His splendor in glory He came,
Into a world of woe;
Took on Himself all my guilt and my shame,
Why should He love me so? - Roth*

WHEN WE PONDER CHRIST'S LOVE FOR US, WE'LL WANT TO LIVE FOR HIM.

- excerpts from Our Daily Bread -

ENTERED TO REST IN GOD

We tearfully informed that our beloved brother G.Bilavendra Raju who was our IBT Representative in Mettur and discharged God's work in a grand manner by visiting various churches and gave away God's message has entered into the eternal life, to be with Jesus. It is a great loss to the IBT. Pray that God should console and give Peace to the bereaved family members.

LIGHT SHINING OUT OF DARKNESS

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants His footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm

Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never failing skill
He treasures up His bright designs,
And works His sovereign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan His work in vain;
God is His own interpreter,
And He will make it plain.

- WILLIAM COWPER
- Excerpts from -
Treasury of Courage and Confidence

WANTED

Applications are invited from male candidates for the post of promotional staff to work in Sivakasi, Tirunelveli, Madurai, Salem, Trichy and Coimbatore.

Those who have completed 10th Std. and above and willing to serve the Lord may apply for the above post. Age between 20 - 50.

Contact : **IBT, Cell : 90470 57414**

PRAY & PRAISE

1. Praise God that 48 Missionaries were dedicated at CSI Christ Church (Trichy Road) Coimbatore on 02.10.2016 evening service. Three missionaries / Translators from IBT were included in this. The names are: Bro.Chandrika Das (UP missionary) Bro.G.Hanumanth Lambani language Translator and Bro.Prakash Siddik, Siddi Language translator from Karnataka State. Pray for all the dedicated missionaries that they should carry out with sincere and God fearing ministerial work.

2. It has been planned to release full Bible in Baduga, Sourashtra, Chhattisgarh and Bojpuri languages at the earliest ; and checking works in these languages are in progress. Pray for this.

3. Praise God that the final checking and proof correction works are in progress in New Testament of Toda (Tamil Nadu) Sambalpuri (Odisha) languages. BSI checking has to be completed in Sambalpuri language. Pray for the early completion of the above works and printing and release of the above languages New Testament.

CHRISTMAS GIFT

We are in need of Rs. 5 lakh for christmas Gifts to be given to the workers of IBT and Bappennalli Home Children. Now X'mas covers are being sent to you through our representatives / promotional workers. Those who have not received the cover may sent the contribution direct to the IBT Office.

We request you to contribute liberally and generously and encourage the IBT workers.

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