

students go two by two, four hours a week in house to house evangelism. The cost per student is only \$25.00 per month. This provides them money for an evening meal and bus fare.

It was February 1986; that I first started going to India to begin working as a teacher of the word, not only to win souls, but with a strong desire to obey Paul’s command to Timothy, named above, that is, “*train faithful men who will be able to teach others.*” As you will perceive God has blessed this effort, beyond what I imagined, *and* I hasten to add that you as supporters through the years have been a great part of it. This work could not be done without you. Truly the words of Paul are appropriate for our partnership, as it is written,

"How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!" (Romans 10:14-15).

As indicated we are going to push to plant intensive Bible Training Schools around the country with the emphasis being on evening schools. On Scott’s return to India July 26th he plans to go first to Mumbai. That city’s population is well over 20 million and we want to plant schools there; in fact, God willing, in any place we find sound native brethren capable of serving as teachers and directors. As we develop these schools it will take support for them, but at \$25.00 per student many can be involved. Please help as you are able.

SPECIAL NOTE

As you may know, not only do we concern ourselves with overseas missions, but we have a list of books and tracts (for free) to be used on the domestic front. I mention this, for recently we received from Garland Elkins 100 copies of a lecture called, “*The Way of Unity Between the Christian Church and the Churches of Christ,*” which was given by H. Leo Boles in 1939, at a Christian Church Convention. This tract is extremely useful in light of the fact that some congregations even now, like the digressives over a century ago, are adopting machines to make music in the worship. Order a copy (no charge) from us at P.O. Box 1010, Crossville, TN 38554, and if you like, order more from brother Elkins. Also order a copy of our list of books and tracts.

In Christian love,

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NEW SCHOOL IN NAGALAND

Nagaland is one of the smallest of India’s twenty-nine states and is one of three states where the majority of the population are members of various denominations. The Baptists are the most prominent as their missionaries came to the region in the 1800’s. Its capitol is Kohima, which is listed on the map on the inside page. The city of Dimapur is the largest city in the state with a population just over two million.

The newest of our Bible Schools was begun in Dimapur this past May. The present enrollment is 28. A number of individuals have



obeyed the gospel since the school began. The picture above was taken on June 18, on the occasion of six being baptized.

The name of the brother, who organized the school, is Sing Terang. He serves as the principal of the school. Before he obeyed the gospel in 2009, he was an evangelist for a denomination called the Believers Church. He is married with two children and is a graduate of the English medium Bible school at Guwahati.

INDIA: POPULATION JUNE 1, 2016
1,326,533,328



India is the second largest country in the world and just twelve years from now (2028) the United Nations estimates that it will overtake China; the two will then have 1.45 billion each (Google India population). There are some very good reasons that India has the real potential of being not only a nation of tremendous population growth, but continue, by the grace of God, to be a very fertile field for making New Testament Christians. Here are some very good reasons for this: 1) There are presently many native Christians and many sound gospel preachers who are anxious to maintain the pattern of sound words; and there are many more being trained. 2) India has a parliamentary government that offers great freedom to its people. 3) Although opposition does occur at times, generally there is rarely any persecution. 4) Forty-five percent of the 1.3 billion souls are under the age of 15; that number is about 600,000,000. 5) There are literally thousands of orphans that need homes, and benevolence is a powerful tool of evangelism (See Matthew 4:23).



PRESENT EFFORTS

India has twenty-nine states and five federal districts. There are a number of American workers who come on short trips to the field, but there is a great need for more, many more, who are sound in the faith and determined to “*hold fast to the pattern of sound words*”(2 Timothy 1:13); who can spend more time nurturing intensive Bible Schools. In comparison to the need there is a very limited number of Americans on the field. Scott Richards, Don Iverson and I, are, by the help of God, conducting such Bible schools in six states, Arunachal Pradesh, Naga Land, Assam, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nada, but what we are able to do (see below) hardly touches “the hem of the garment.”

The first of the three states listed are located in the northeastern part on the country (See the enlarged map at the right.). The vast majority of those in this region, which consists of seven states, are descendants of the Mongolian race. They are more like Chinese, Koreans or Burmese, than the typical Indian. One of the Bible schools in that part of the country is our only English medium school. It is known as the Northeast Bible Institute (NBI) and is located in a small town, called Mirza, about twenty miles southwest of Guwahati, which is the capital of Assam. The present enrollment is 52 and there are 23 languages among them. The latter 3 states listed: Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nada, are in the south of the country on the eastern coast that borders the Bay of Bengal. Here is a list of all the schools Scott Richards and I work with,

#	SCHOOLS	MEN	WOMEN
1	Hamren Evening Bible School	4	1
1	Demapur Bible School	20	8
1	Arunachal Bible School (Arunachal)	14	
1	Karbi Bible School (Assam)	23	18
1	Northeast Bible School (Assam)	39	13
1	Tamil Nadu Bible Inst. For Men	68	
1	Tamil Nadu Bible Inst. For Women		75
1	School for Blind and Deaf	21	17
1	Eight Km Evening School (Assam)	3	11
89	Other Evening Schools in 3 States	664	
Total = 98 Schools with 856 men enrolled and 141 women			
OVER ALL TOTAL 997 STUDENTS			

Don Iverson and Cathy serve in India’s most southern state, Tamil Nadu, where he works with Tamil gospel preachers in 91 Bible training schools and one in the state of Andhra Pradesh with a total of 806 enrolled. To write of these schools named does not strike me personally as something to glory in, for when compared to a population of 1.3 billion it is like spitting in the ocean. Our Master said to the apostles, “*Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned* ” (Mark 16:15-16). Again the Holy Spirit by Paul, gave order to the young evangelist Timothy, “*And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also*”(2 Timothy 2:2).

Don presses his efforts continually, but just here I speak for Scott and myself; for by the grace of God, we are determined to plant more Bible schools around the nation. Most will be evening schools for such are proving to be effective in many locations. They meet 3 hours each session, 3 nights a week for 3 years. The