

# WALDRON NEWSLETTER

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## CAMPAIGN FOR CHRIST NETS 1068 SOULS

December 28, 2018 through January 1, 2019, brothers in Christ, who are teachers and students in our Saturday Bible schools in three states did a search and rescue mission on behalf of Christ for lost souls. The states were, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. The combined population of the three is, one hundred million, seven hundred thousand. The brothers, for five days, did what Philip the evangelist did in Samaria; by preaching,

***"the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized" (Acts 8:12).***

### SOME PICTURES OF THEIR LABORS,



**TRACT DISTRIBUTION, DOOR TO DOOR EVANGELISM AND TENT MEETINGS**



**HOME MEETINGS**

#### A HEAVENLY VIEW

#### A GREAT MULTITUDE

"After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all ***nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues***, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb" (Revelation 7:9-10).



**BAPTIZING NIGHT AND DAY!**

"Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized." (Acts 16:32-33).



# OPERATION COMPASSION

Thanks to the gifts given by so many of you in 2018 toward the project; *Operation Compassion*, 636 widows and one brother with only one leg, were helped. For him a small "petty shop" was set up. There were about two dozen widows, who also requested help for a small shop, or cloth to use for tailoring. For the others, goats were bought. The cost of goats averaged about \$65.00 each. A widow alone received five goats. An extra goat was given for each child she had at home under nineteen; thus the average number of goats for each was 5.3 goats. Here are some pictures.



The name of the sister above is Karpagam. She is thirty-two years old and a widow with two children, a daughter, Swathi (13) and a boy Harish (11). They received seven goats.



This widow's name is Jayanthi. She is 35 with four children. Three daughters, the oldest, Senbagam is married; the second Nanusty is 17; the third Jayasty is 11 and the boy, Jayban is 10. She received 9 goats.

## A NOTE FROM ONE WHO ACTUALLY PURCHASES THE GOATS

Here is a portion of a report by Peter Wilson, Mercy's husband, who is also one of the teachers in the Tamil Nadu Bible Institute, concerning the work of purchasing goats for widows. Under the title, "WIDOWS GIVE WHAT THEY HAVE TO THE LORD!" Peter wrote of his counsel to the sisters, who received goats: "We encouraged them to be faithful in Lord's church all their lives, so then God will give them a greater reward in Heaven. Also we asked them to give the first fruit of their livestock to God as an offering.

After writing the above Peter wrote me (JW) saying, "I hope you will be interesting to know that when we attended worship in the town of Naga-pat-ti-nam on Sunday, I was sitting in the front row. There were two bags lying in front of me, one was a clear plastic bag holding rice; the other was covered well with thick cloth, so that I could not see what was in it, but it was moving. As I carefully watched, suddenly I saw a rooster come out of the bag. One sister got up, came forward, caught it and put it in a safe place. We came to know that it was brought as an offering to God. When I conducted the Lord's supper I mentioned that such kinds of offerings are well pleasing to the Lord." Note, the saints are very poor, so we teach the preachers to teach them, if they have no money, then give rice, a chicken or other staple, which can be given by the church to support orphans and widows and the preacher. (JW).

P.S. The posters about **OPERATION COMPASSION** for classrooms have been sent to churches, which we have on our list. If you want one for your own classroom and did not receive it, then write to Ginny Rothery, P.O. Box 1010, Crossville, TN 38557, and request one or more of them. Elders or other teachers, if you want more copies for different classrooms you may also write for them. This program is one of the blessed ways we may teach our youth compassion for widows and their fatherless children. Widows are greatly discriminated against in the country.

To learn more about widows and how they are downtrodden even by their own families, go on the internet and type in, "CNN: Indian Widows," for a documentary on the subject. Also go to Net flick, and request the film, "Water"! It cost about \$10.00 I think, but it is a brilliant drama on the subject. It is in Hindi, but it has subtitles in English. It is heart rending! Encourage your young people to watch both. If you see either of these, write me and give me your reaction. JW.

## POWERFUL LITERATURE

Due to the fact that we can have printing done cheaply in India, for years we have been distributing good literature freely in order to supply quantities of tracts and books only for postage. I mean good books like *Arkansas Angels*, which was published by Boyd E. Morgan, who himself was a gospel preacher. It consists of about fifty brief biographies of God-fearing men who lived and preached in northeast Arkansas between 1850 and 1960 (-+). When you read this book it will put fire in your bones. One story tells of Joe H. Blue, who was born September 1875 in IZARD COUNTY, Arkansas.

And he began preaching on November 1st, 1896. Here is a report he made of a full year of preaching in 1897. "I preached all that year and baptized 75 and established one congregation. The brethren paid me \$19.00 for my work for the year. In May my father sent me \$10.00 to buy me a suit of clothes. I bought them with the \$10.00 and then I was in fine shape for the work." He tells of preaching monthly for a year for a church, holding their summer meeting and he was paid \$4.00 for his labor.

He also said, "In the fall of 1897 (November) I was married to Miss Mary Montgomery. When we married we had six members of the Church of Christ in the neighborhood. In the same area we had a Baptist Church, a Methodist Church, a Holiness Church and a Presbyterian Church." Some years later, Blue reported that the only church in the town was the Church of Christ. He defended the apostolic faith in many debates with numerous sectarian preachers. .



This man shown in front of his new petty shop is a brother in Christ. He and his wife have three children. He is crippled in that he has no leg on the left side from the knee down.

**If you would like a copy of *Arkansas Angels* please write to me at P.O. Box 1010, Crossville, TN 38557. Along with it we will send a list of all the books and tracts, which we give away freely to help you promote world evangelism. You only need to pay the postage.**

**In Christian love,  
Jim E. Waldron**