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"...how you turned from
idols to serve the living
and true God."
(1 Thessalonians 1:9)



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Many Have Been Asking

Here's a text message one of our supporters just sent me today:

"Been thinking a lot about your India brothers and sisters there. Covid is really hitting them hard. Lots of prayers for them! I read 120 per hour are losing the Covid battle there. What can we do to help them?"

Now, let me quote from our office manager, John Charles in an email today. Of course, his writing is in India style, but I think he clearly shares the problems our brothers and sisters face:

Yes, the news is right, there are too many deaths and problems, but they are not reporting. Yesterday also in Chamarajnagar 24 patients died as per the news due to shortage of oxygen. Near my house in one Specialty Hospital due to shortage of oxygen the patients were moved to another hospital. What the Government claims of arranging and taking care for the patients is not physically happening. Many have complained no proper care of medicines and food being given for the patients in the Government hospitals, but in Private hospitals they treat properly and claim heavy bills for the patients. Even the ambulances are charging hefty money from the patients to carry the patient and the dead bodies. One friend of mine who lost his father due to covid had spent

50,000 rupees (\$715, DWN) for the ambulance to take the dead body and cremate the body. Normally it would have cost only 3,000 to 5,000 rupees (\$43-\$71, DWN).

So, as you can easily see, the problem that faces our brethren in India is largely due to their poverty. The government hospitals have mostly run out of Covid supplies, but the private hospitals are receiving the majority of the oxygen and other supplies they need to treat patients with money.

There are only two answers to the emailed question *"What can we do to help them?"*

- We must continue to hold these embattled workers in prayer, both for their own health and for their ability to minister the Lord's mercy to the members of their churches.
- We can make a special contribution dedicated to helping overcome their serious medical expenses. If you'd like to do that, please write the memo in the check Covid Relief and our team will see that it gets into the hands that need it.

If you'd like me to report to you and discuss it personally, please get in touch with me!

Gratitude!

In our abundant concern about Covid and other issues, it's crucial, crucial that we remember to be grateful for the blessings we all enjoy! God's people have

rightfully been called "people of faith."

How can we then be pessimists and doomsayers in the face of problems? God will always see us through—and we must be grateful!

("...abounding with gratitude" is how Paul describes us in Colossians 2:7)

Let's thank God for Jesus. Let's thank God for our opportunity to be a part of His great work. And rather than wringing our hands, let's clasp them in prayer to thank Him that He's given us the ability to make a difference in the idolatrous nation of India!

Update

I'd like to ask you all to keep Jerrie Kalenda in your prayers. Jerrie has just tested positive for Covid-19. She'll be out of circulation for a while. For now her symptoms are mild, for which we're all grateful! She's a member at Jersey Village, being our accountant who handles the checks, thank-you letters and other financial matters for the Church of Christ India Fund.

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