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



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Dale's Report

My daughter, Melissa LeDoux, and I completed another trip to India January 10-February 2, 2023. It was my 48th trip and her 3rd. As brother Nance has told you previously, the government is making it more difficult for us. We did not have any classes in Bangalore due to the ongoing investigation concerning the renewal of the FCRA. We proceeded to Ooty where we had classes for the men and woman. We posted pictures of our classes on Facebook and immediately surveillance by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) began. They called Charles, our manager, and wanted to know "what are these foreigners doing here." Then they called William, Charles' dad, and asked him the same thing. Then they called me, and I didn't answer the phone! Charles and William explained to them what we were doing. When we check into a hotel we have to give them our passports which they copy and then forward to the government. So they track us and know where we are at all times. We decided not to post any more pictures on Facebook about our work. We only posted "tourist pictures."

We returned to Bangalore and then went on to Andhra Pradesh. This is a state which is more friendly to Christianity. We were not aware of any more surveillance from the CBI. We had good classes in Kurnool and Kadapa. From there we proceeded to Chennai where I had good classes with the preachers. Unfortunately, Melissa's classes for the women were canceled because they had difficulty arranging a meeting place in Chennai. She was very disappointed since the whole purpose of her trip was to teach the women. Overall, we were pleased with the trip. Please pray that the Lord will keep the door open.

Dale Foster

Melissa's Report

When COVID shut down the doors to India, I began praying that God would reopen the country and give us another opportunity to return and spread His Word. In January of this year, that prayer was answered, and I made my third trip there to teach the beautiful women of India!

We initially contemplated what it meant to be chosen by God. We discussed various situations where we're chosen and how it makes us feel but then dove into scripture to learn that the God of the universe chose each of us to be His child and heir. How amazing! Following this topic, we looked at Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5 where He teaches how we as followers should live our lives. We broke down the beatitudes and studied each one in depth and learned how they apply to our daily lives. These teachings are not easy

and impossible to implement without surrendering to Jesus and allowing Him to transform our hearts. We looked at scripture after scripture! You should've heard those pages turning as the women flipped from one verse to another to discover or be reminded of God's promises and blessings to those who live their life as a follower of Christ. It was a beautiful sound and testimony of how hungry these sisters are for the Word. It was as if they couldn't get enough. Some even refused the tea break because they wanted to keep going! They sat on the floor for hours and stayed engaged throughout the entire day. In all, we had 200 women throughout the course of our time in India who attended the classes. God is SO good! He blesses us in so many ways and being with these women was a tremendous blessing.

Melissa LeDoux

I can't tell you adequately how much I appreciate Dale and Melissa. Their commitment and willingness to sacrifice for this work is an inspiration to me, and I hope that it inspires you too!

Dave Nance

