

# THE HENDRICKS

*Laboring for Christ in India*



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**Dear Prayer Partners and Supporters,**

When we are surrounded by the enemy and our hearts within us experience fear and depression, then we cry out, "Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I" and with the words of Apostle Paul, we plead with each of you, "Brethren, pray for us!".

***"Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith. But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil. (2 Thess 3:1-3)***

We're in the midst of the most important general elections in the history of our nation. The results will chart the course of our country. The times are very challenging for Christianity in India but our God is still on His throne and active on the ground too! Praise the Lord with us for all He is doing, in spite of us; pray with us for the needs and challenges ahead of us!

## **Praise Updates:**

- 1. Graduations:** We had two graduates from the Bible College who completed their Diploma in Theology; and four graduates from our Learning Centre who completed their High school (10 Grade). These High school graduates have trusted Jesus as their personal Savior and are studying the 10 Bible Doctrines as an added course! We were honored to have Pastor Randy MacDonald, his wife, Ms. Sherri as our guests, with Ron & Barbara Holland from New Testament Baptist Church, Safford, AZ. The parents of the graduates got to hear the gospel message.
- 2. Easter Cantata:** The youth choir trained by Emma, did an Easter Cantata for the first time! We invited many friends and preached the gospel before the choir sang!
- 3. Vacation Bible School:** We've completed two weeks of VBS and looking forward to the third one in May. The first one was at church, and we had an average of 75 kids, with many first timers. The theme was "Dino Detectives: Digging for God's Truth". Many children trusted Christ as their Savior and few of the Youth signed up to be helpers for the other VBS. Pray that many will choose to serve the Lord!
- 4. Counseling Sessions:** The Lord has opened many opportunities for me to counsel couples, young people and also the church folk. Those who are unsaved get to hear the gospel and trust Christ as their Savior in the first session, because without Christ and His Word, there is no counsel for them!
- 5. Outreach Ministries:** The Bible clubs continue in 4 different areas within the city. Emma & I took a youth group to Jawadhi Hills for the village ministry. We did skits, gave testimonies and preached the gospel to 3 villages.
- 6. Church Wedding:** We just celebrated the union in marriage of two of our graduates from our ministry. Jonah graduated from the Bible College and is now a teacher; Priya was one of our first graduates from our Learning Centre in 2018. They both desire to serve the Lord together in our ministry.

## **Prayer Updates:**

- 1. Pray for fair elections in our country** and for a government that will allow us to fulfill the Great Commission.
- 2. Emma & I plan on traveling to the USA** on April 29, for Titus & Alyx's graduations and for a time to be refreshed before we return to the field. We'll be in the USA till the end of June and will be glad to meet with those of you who would like to have us over at your church, to give an update (I could be reached at **704-730-7870** and **864-414-7384** and email: [pastorhendricks@hotmail.com](mailto:pastorhendricks@hotmail.com)). Pray for our travel.

3. The Lord has been gracious to us and has granted us an extension at the present **property** till March 2025. The real estate in Bangalore is booming and all the land prices have almost doubled, making the amount we've already raised, insignificant to buy a property within the city limits. We've seen a vacant land, which costs \$30 per sq ft. We can purchase about 4000 sq ft, with the money we've collected. Please pray for the amounts needed to raise a structure for our ministries. Once this purchase is done, we know, until the Lord returns, we won't have the fear and insecurity of being threatened to vacate. We need much wisdom and direction in this matter, and I would appreciate your calls and emails with advice and caution, if any. I'll be sending a separate video update on this shortly.
4. Pray that the Lord will **hold all the ministries together** in our absence as several of our graduates fill the pulpit ministry.
5. Pray for the **new students** whom the Lord will send for the Bible College & Learning Centre and for funds for this ministry. You can support-a-child at \$ 35 a month. We have 40 kids at the Learning Centre out of which 3 are being regularly supported.

We appreciate your faithful prayers and financial support for our family and the ministry in India. All that you see and hear is because you cared, you prayed and you gave! The Lord bless each of you!

In Christ's Service

### Adrian & Emma



**Pastor MacDonald & Team from Arizona**



**The Graduation Party 2024**



**Graduates from the Learning Centre**



**Graduates from the Bible College**





**Easter Cantata- Youth Choir**



**Jonah & Priya's Wedding**



**Singing Time at VBS**



**Emma talking about the theme**



**Missionary Story Time**



**Tuffy, our Dino Friend**



**Meal on the final day of VBS**



**Teachers & Helpers of VBS #1**



**VBS # 2 in Bangalore North**



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**Village Outreach Ministry with the Youth of the church**

