

January 14, 2005

Dear friends,

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas celebration and that your New Year is off to a great start! We wanted to first let you know that although our state, Andhra Pradesh, is on the coast of India and was affected by the tsunami, we have not heard of anyone that we know that has been lost. We know many people of a few fishing villages that lost all they had but are thankful that at least they survived. We don't know many details but John headed back to India a few days ago so he will be able to see for himself and we will let you know. We are so thankful for your prayer!

We wanted to give you some prayer requests for his time there.

Please praise:

For the protection of those who were able to escape the tsunami

For all those who have given, prayed and volunteered to help

Please pray:

For those who are left and whose lives have been devastated

That the Christians of the area would be a bright example of God's character and

that many who don't know Jesus would come to Him now and find His arms of comfort and peace in such a time

Please praise:

For John's safe travel to India and the work he has already accomplished in Delhi

For the two teams that God has provided to go and serve in the ministry there. One to help with

the medical camps and one who will help with the building project

Please pray:

For the medical camp team (Scott, Sharon, Laura, Paul, & Jolee)

For safe travel and health for the teams to and from India and also as they travel within

Leaving this week and next, the camps run from the end of this week to the first week of

Feb, then the team will be returning on various dates after that

Pray for the camps to be successful in helping many, many people medically, some of whom

have never seen a doctor before, and also spiritually, some of whom have never had the chance to hear the Gospel before

Pray for relationships to grow and for the reflection of our awesome God to be seen

For the building project team (Rick, Dan, Brad, Rick, & Gary)

For safe travel and health for the teams to and from India and also as they travel within

Leaving Feb 3rd and returning Feb 18th

Pray for progress to be made on the building with the help of the team and pray as each

team member has a chance to encourage the believers there as they visit some of the village churches

Pray for relationships to grow and for the reflection of our awesome God to be seen

For our Annual Gospel Celebrations. Pray for all the people who will be attending, believers and

unbelievers. One will be held in the same place as it has been for the last many years and we are planning a second one in Saluru, closer to the tribal area churches. It is an exciting time and we pray for it to be an effective time to share the Gospel with many who may have never heard!

Thank you for your prayer, as it is always a necessity for us to be able to continue anything. We need you so much. Thank you for your continued care for us!

His peace and joy,

Love, The Nanda's