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# the NACEA Newsletter

## Mission Team Travels to India

Six travelers from Indiana left on January 8 for a Short Term Mission Trip (STMT) to India. The team members were Tim (treasurer of NACEA) & Mary Norris, Krystal (secretary of NACEA) & Ruby Chestnut, and Mike (president of NACEA) & Kathy Harker. While in India, the team dedicated three new churches, a medical clinic, eight new classrooms, and an in-patient ward at the Christian Medical Center.

The new churches were in the villages of Pedana (funded by the Antioch Christian Church, Washington, IN), Mallaichittoor (funded by the Christian Church of Jasper, IN), and Bhogireddi Palle (funded by the Edinburg Christian Church, Edinburg, PA). In each of these three villages we held medical camps and a children's program. Much time was also spent teaching and playing with the children from the Boy's & Girl's Christian Homes in Machilipatnam and with the children at the Christian School in Mekavani Palem. On January 19<sup>th</sup>, twelve preachers graduated from the Frank A. Grubbs Institute of Christian Studies and sixty ladies graduated from the Tailoring Institute. Tim & Mike were able to have a very informative sit-down with the preachers.

The team distributed food to those in need near the village of Pedana and surveyed the damage caused by fire in the YSR Colony. The families from the affected area in YSR Colony are negotiating with the government for a new building site for the community. T.B. has contracted with a local supplier for the building materials so that the rebuilding can take place as soon as the location is resolved. Mike & Tim traveled with T.B. two hours south of Chennai to the village of Valathodu to visit with four preachers. The church at Valathodu was built in 2009 with funds from Kingdom Builders and Vincent Christian Church, Otwell, IN.

The whole trip was amazing. The people were so glad to see us and very receptive as we shared the love of Christ. T.B. Paul and his family and team of preachers, teachers and workers are doing a great job of spreading God's message of salvation. Thanks to all of you that made this trip possible.



Dedication Service at Mallaichittoor



# Oberst Christian Academy Happenings

**Rakesh Paul – School Principle**

Eight new classrooms including a computer lab and a science lab were dedicated in January by the STMT team. The Kindergarten classes will be relocated to the new first floor rooms when the next school year begins in June. It is expected that the number of students in the school will double from the current enrollment of 270 for the next school term as word spreads about the excellence of the school.

The STMT team was able to witness the very moving daily school opening. It consisted of prayer, scripture reading in Telugu and English, singing of the national anthem of India and a pledge to the flag of India. Kathy Harker taught the children the creation story and the whole team performed a skit about the life of Daniel. The children were very well behaved and seemed to enjoy the stories and time we spent playing games together. Several of the children put on an excellent closing program of song and dance for us.

The school has a very dedicated group of teachers committed to helping the children learn and make a better life for themselves.



**Teachers at the Oberst Christian Academy (NACEA School)**

80 School-desks seating 3 students each are needed at a cost of \$125 per desk. Also needed is equipment for the computer lab (12 computers @ \$250 each) and science lab (\$1250).

Designate your check:  
**School equipment**

# Medical Ministry Update

Dr. Rajesh Paul – Medical Director

## First Village Medical Clinic Dedicated

On January 18<sup>th</sup> the first NACEA Village Medical Clinic was dedicated in the village of Pedapatnam. This building was purchased with funds donated from the Exodus Church for Bloomington located in Bloomington, Indiana. The goal is to establish Medical Clinics in each village that NACEA has an established church. A trained nurse will be placed in each of these centers. She will be trained to handle minor ailments under the guidance of the doctors in the CMC and will refer the patients to the CMC if required. These nurses will also teach medical awareness programs under the supervision of the CMC doctors. Having a Christian background and foundation, they will also pray for the sick that come and encourage the people to have faith in the healing power of our Lord Jesus Christ. This will be an effective way to share the love of Christ among the Hindu women.



NACEA Pedapatnam Medical Clinic



Dedication Plaque

## In-patient Care to Start in April at the Christian Medical Center

In April of 2016, the CMC will begin accepting in-patients. This will be a great help to the poor villagers in the Machilipatnam area. Thirteen beds will be available for use in April, with additional beds made available as funds are received for the second floor addition. NACEA has teamed with FAME to raise funds for this much needed addition. Go to [FAMEworld.org](http://FAMEworld.org) to help with this project.



Christian Medical Center in Machilipatnam



Dr. Rajesh Paul looking on as Tim Norris cuts In-patient ribbon

# Children's Home Christmas



Cast of Christmas Story

In December, the 56 children that live in the Christian Children's Homes for Boys & Girls celebrated Christmas by putting on a play about the Christmas Story. Also, as a result of donations given by many of you readers, they each received a set of new clothes, a toy and books. They also shared a cake to celebrate Jesus birthday. Most of all they shared the love of Christ that came to them through the Paul family and the many supporters in America. The message from the children to you is this:

**“Thanks for all your gifts, prayers and love”.**



Wise men giving gifts to baby Jesus



Candlelight Service



Colony Church at Christmas

**James 1:27** Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

**Send your gifts to: NACEA, P.O. Box 2309, Washington, IN 47501**

You can also give on-line at <http://naceamission.org/>

**Note: 100% of designated gifts go to the field for the purpose stated.**

# My First Trip to India

Ruby Chestnut

I recently had the privilege of going on a short term mission trip to India. When I first decided to go, I was so excited; but as the time got closer to leave, the more scared I became. I knew from the beginning that it was the devil putting thoughts into my mind, because he knew that God had great plans for me in India. But thankfully I stopped listening to the voice in my head saying that I shouldn't go.

Going to India blessed me in so many ways. One of my favorite things while we were there was working with the kids, both at the NACEA School and at the Christian Children's Home. Seeing the way their faces would light up when we were with them will be something that I'll never forget. I fell in love with so many of the kids there. 1 Corinthians

13:2 says, "If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing." The kids there were just the sweetest! They were all so thankful. The days we spent at the NACEA School were some of my favorite days. We would have a Bible story, singing, and games. On January 12<sup>th</sup> we visited the NACEA School. We did the story of creation. We sang songs like "I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy." We taught the kids that when we point say "where." So we would sing the song and then point to them and they would say "where." It was just so cute! Game time was so much fun. We played games like duck-duck-goose, balloon relay, and sack races. I also taught the kids how to "fist bump". While at the school, we were able to dedicate a total of 8 new classrooms. On our last day at the school, the classes did science project presentations and put on a special dance program for our team. Saying good-bye to them was very hard.



Ruby with the NACEA School children



Ruby at the Children's Home

My least favorite part of the trip was probably the long plane rides. Twenty plus hours in a plane each way took a while (and it could get pretty boring and uncomfortable). But it was so worth it.

The members of the Paul family were very kind to us; they made us feel like we were right at home. Rajesh and Soujanya (Mini) are doing a great job at the Hospital (Christian Medical Center.) Rakesh and Rose are doing an amazing job with the kids at the NACEA School and at their church. Rani is also doing a wonderful job overseeing the Children's Home and the Tailoring ministry. T.B is doing great training preachers, preaching, and overseeing the entire mission.

I would go back in a heartbeat. Leaving my new family in India was very hard. But I was very thankful that I was going to see my family back home. I will definitely be going back on the next trip. I loved every minute of it. Thanks to Michael and Kathy Harker, Timothy and Mary Norris, Krystal Chestnut, the entire Paul family, and God for an amazing experience.

# Children's Home Profile of the Month



Akhil's parents are daily wage workers. Akhil's brother is a special needs child. The mother is unable to take care of him and his brother at the same time. Because of the cost of his brother's treatment she could not send Akhil to school. She came to know about our school and brought him here so that he can study and have a good future. Akhil likes dancing and playing games. He is now studying in 2<sup>nd</sup> Standard at the Oberst Christian Academy.

Please remember Akhil in your prayers. Your love and support will help her to receive the assistance he needs to grow and develop.

Support someone like Akhil for \$40 per month. That is only a little over a dollar per day. Maybe you could give up a soda or a coffee each day for a child in need.

## Mission Needs

- Preacher Training - **\$750 per preacher per 6 month school term**
- Children's Home - **\$40 per child per month**
- Supplemental School Operating Expenses - **\$500 per month**
- Supplemental Hospital Operating Expenses - **\$3000 per month**
- New Church buildings - **\$8,000 each** - 9 villages have requested church buildings
- Additional Classrooms for School - **\$10,000**
- School desks - **\$125 each** – 80 needed by end of May
- Computers for school - **\$250 each** – 12 needed by end of May
- Science Lab Equipment - **\$1250** – needed by end of May
- Hospital Generator - **\$8,000**
- Sound systems for existing churches - **\$250 each** – needed in 2 churches (this includes outside speakers so the whole village can hear the gospel proclaimed)

If you would like to contribute to all of the NACEA ministries, you may give to the General Fund and the NACEA Board will use your funds where most needed. If you would like to contribute to a specific ministry, please designate as such on your donation. For a complete list of ministry needs, please contact Mike Harker at [mikeharker@frontier.com](mailto:mikeharker@frontier.com) or 812-247-3143.

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Kathy teaching the Creation Story



Tim as King Darius



Closing Program

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