

# the NA CEA Newsletter

## Christian Medical Center Serves the Sick

### Help Me!

Written by Dr. Rajesh Paul

“Please help me get my son back”- these were the exact words of a father whose son went into a state of shock after a week’s treatment for Dengue, a viral condition which when left unattended could lead to decrease in platelet counts to dangerous level causing internal bleed leading to death. CMC Hospital was flooded with these cases as the epidemic spread through India this monsoon season.

What better time than this when the oxygen supply was exhausted and the patient was struggling to breathe. We thought we were going to loose the patient. I asked the father as he was pleading with me to help get his son back to a normal state, if he believed in God. He said YES. I told him then ask God and not me.

We shifted the patient to a higher center which was two hours from Machilipatnam. On our way I continued the conversation with the father. I assured him that God would heal his son and that Jesus cared for everybody. I asked him about his spiritual state. He told me that he knew Christ but did not go to the church. I asked him if he would go to church if God healed his son. By the time we reached Vijayawada, the son was sitting and talking normally. Praise God, the whole family attends church now.



Christian Medical Center in Machilipatnam, India

Spiritual or compassionate care involves serving the whole person—the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual. Such service is inherently a spiritual activity. Rachel Naomi Remen, MD, who has developed Commonweal retreats for people with cancer, described it well:

*Helping, fixing, and serving represent three different ways of seeing life. When you help, you see life as weak. When you fix, you see life as broken. When you serve, you see life as whole. Fixing and helping may be the work of the ego, and service the work of the soul.*

The technological advances of the past century tended to change the focus of medicine from a caring, service oriented model to a technological, cure-oriented model. Serving patients may involve spending time with them, holding their hands, and talking about what is important to them. Patients value these experiences with their physicians.

**At Christian Medical Center we involve the aspects of spiritual care by doing the following:**

- Practicing compassionate presence—i.e., being fully present and attentive to their patients and being supportive to them in all of their suffering: physical, emotional, and spiritual
- Listening to patients' fears, hopes, pain, and dreams
- Obtaining a spiritual history
- Being attentive to all dimensions of patients and their families: body, mind, and spirit
- Incorporating spiritual practices as appropriate
- Involving chaplains as members of the interdisciplinary health care team.

The local girls, who otherwise do not have an opportunity to work, are invited by the mission to learn basics of nursing. The girls in batches of six are paid a stipend as they learn nursing care on the job. They are trained on healthcare basics, wound care and assisting a physician. They then continue to work with mission or go find job. They now have a trade in hands with which they find work. They are trained in the aspects of spiritual care. They continue to be the hands and feet of Christ wherever they go.

CMC is a 12 bed hospital which caters to multiple villages around the facility. With a huge need and a great potential for growth, the Board has envisioned a plan to build a 60 bedded facility in the near future.

**Immediate needs of the hospital are:**

- To increase operational funds to hire doctors and staff.
- To build a second floor to accommodate the additional beds in the future.
- To have a central oxygen supply to avoid running out of oxygen during emergencies.
- To buy air conditioners for the Operating rooms and the doctor consultation rooms.
- To buy additional furniture for the hospital.
- To buy equipment for the laboratory and start a full-fledged pharmacy.
- To complete the pathways around the hospital.
- To develop a garden for the patients to spend their time as they recover in the hospital.

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# Church Construction

A new Church building is in the process of being built in the village of Mekavani Palem near the NACEA School. This building will provide ground floor access for the elderly and small children. The Church will be the center of activities in the village. It will be used for worship, prayer, Bible Study, vocational training (sewing & candle making), and shelter in the time of storm plus other community events. This building was made possible by a generous donation of \$ 8,000 from the Parkview Christian Church in Plainville, IN. This building allows all people to come together as one, no matter what their family caste. NACEA's goal is to build at least 4 new Churches every year. 5 villages are currently awaiting a new Church building.



– designate your check:  
**Church Building**

# Overview of NACEA Mission

**Planting Churches** - 46 Churches with 39 buildings (plus 2 under construction)

**Healing the Sick** – 12 bed Christian Medical Center (includes outpatient care and dental clinic) and 2 Village Medical Clinics plus rotating clinics in the other villages

**Equipping Nationals** – 51 trained preachers

**Rescuing Children** – 53 children currently in the Christian Children's Home

**Educating Children** – 637 children enrolled in Oberst Christian Academy

**Caring for Widows** – 10 widows help with the Children's Home plus many more are helped through the local Churches

**Training in Life** - tailoring and candle making classes are held in the villages

**Disaster Relief** – typhoon, flood, and fire assistance provided

**Short Term Mission Trips** – 2 trips in January 2018 plus a medical mission trip in February 2018

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## Drs. Rajesh & Soujanya Paul at ICOM



*November 16th - 19th – Peoria, IL*

<http://www.theicom.org>

The ICOM is being held in Peoria, Illinois at the Civic Center from Thursday, November 16 through Sunday, November 19. **NACEA will at booths 1252 and 1254. Drs. Rajesh & Soujanya Paul** plan to be at the booth to meet with you and discuss all the great work going on in Andhra Pradesh, India. Please plan to attend! The theme this year is "TOGETHER: God's Plan to Redeem the World". The International Conference on Missions exists to Encourage, Equip and Enlist workers for the Harvest.

Dr. Rajesh Paul will be in country from November 8<sup>th</sup> through December 19<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Soujanya Paul will be here until December 8<sup>th</sup>. Their schedule to date is on the next page. Please contact Mike Harker at [mikeharker@frontier.com](mailto:mikeharker@frontier.com) or 812-247-3143 if you would like to have them at your church or organization during their visit.

# Drs. Rajesh & Soujanya Paul Nov/Dec Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
5	6	7	8 <b>Rajesh &amp; Soujanya arrive Indy 5:35 p.m.</b>	9	10	11 <b>NACEA Board Meeting 10 a.m. &amp; Annual Meeting 11 a.m. @ Bethany CC</b>
12 <b>Vincent CC in Otwell, IN 9:30 a.m. -- Bicknell FCC 5:30 p.m.</b>	13	14 <b>Latham Home Group 6:30 p.m. Washington, IN</b>	15 <b>Pleasant Hill Church Thorntown, IN 6:00 p.m.</b>	16 <b>ICOM Peoria, IL</b>	17 <b>ICOM Peoria, IL</b>	18 <b>ICOM Peoria, IL</b>
19 <b>ICOM Peoria, IL</b>	20 <b>Kingdom Builders 7:30 p.m. Antioch CC Washington, IN</b>	21	22	23 <b>Thanksgiving</b>	24	25
26 <b>Bethany CC 8:15, 9:30 &amp; 11 a.m. -</b>	27 <b>STMT @ Chestnut's 7:30 p.m. Loogootee, IN</b>	28	29 <b>Edinburg CC in PA 6:00 p.m.</b>	30	1 <b>Handcock Regional Hospital in Greenfield, IN</b>	2
3 <b>Antioch CC 9 &amp; 10:45 a.m. - Odon, IN FCC 6:00 p.m.</b>	4	5 <b>CCF in Vincennes, IN 7 p.m.</b>	6 <b>The River in Shoals, IN 6 p.m.</b>	7 <b>Allen Home Group 6 p.m. Washington, In</b>	8 <b>Soujanya leaves Indy 2:29 p.m.</b>	9
10 <b>Redemption CC in Jasper, IN -- Parkview CC in Plainville, IN 6:00 p.m.</b>	11	12	13	14	15	16 <b>NACEA Board Meeting @ Shoals, IN CC 10 a.m.</b>
17 <b>Shoals, IN CC 9 a.m.</b>	18	19 <b>Rajesh leaves Indy 2:40 p.m.</b>				



# Faithful Preacher of the Word



**Suresh**

M. Suresh is married to Kamala and has 2 sons. He was trained in the Institute of Christian Studies (ICS) by T.B. Paul and received his Certificate of Christian Studies (CCS) diploma. He has 16 years of experience and pastors 25 families in the village of Kapthanpalem and 20 families in S.T. Colony.

You can support an experienced preacher for \$44 per month or a new preacher for as little as \$10 per month. This money supplements income that the preachers receive from church offerings and second jobs. Preacher training is taught in 6 month blocks. Each block of preacher education costs \$750 per preacher. This includes tuition, room & board, transportation and teaching material.

**If you would like to support a preacher or help pay for training, note in the memo line & send your gifts to:**

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**Preacher Prayer Meeting**

NACEA currently has 45 preachers serving in the State of Andhra Pradesh and 6 preachers serving in the State of Tamil Nadu. NACEA has 46 active congregations and 39 completed church buildings in use. In addition 2 church buildings are under construction. Five villages that have been reached for Christ are awaiting the funds for a church building.

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# Children's Home Profile of the Month



**Yesu**

Both Yesu's parents make a living by catching and selling fish. With little money to feed four mouths they could not send them to school. The parents came to know through someone about the school and home. They hope to see their children have a better life through the good English medium education offered in the Oberst Christian Academy. They are very happy with the progress that the boys are making at school. They hope to see them as engineers some day in the future. Yesu is in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade.

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

Support someone like Yesu 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.

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## Mission Needs

- Preacher Training - **\$750 per preacher per 6 month school term**
- Children's Home - **\$40 per child per month** (we currently have 8 children without a sponsor)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Standard School Certification - **\$3,300**
- Hospital setup for oxygen and other gases - **\$17,000**
- Supplemental Hospital Operating Expenses - **\$3000 per month**
- New Church buildings - **\$8,000 each** - 5 villages have requested church buildings
- School desks (each will seat 2 or 3 children) - **\$125 each** - 70 needed
- Computers for school - **\$250 each** - 10 needed
- Sound systems for existing churches - **\$250 each** - 20 needed (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 details of ministry needs, please contact Mike Harker at [mikeharker@frontier.com](mailto:mikeharker@frontier.com) or 812-247-3143.

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**Transporting Timbers**



**Village Girls**



**Bringing Home Water**

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