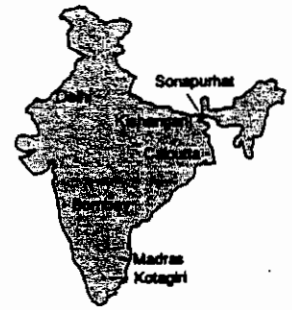


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Dear Ones,

Greetings to all of you in the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Today, we read about many people taking "mission trips." Our family, Carlisle, Marie and wee Sheila, left the only land we had ever known 55 years ago to serve Christ and India. Surely, we could write many books relating our service in that great land. I returned to USA from India on 7-7-07. I am preparing to return on 7-11-07.

You have given and enabled us to serve in India for these 55 years now. Some have given to enable us to build permanent church buildings where needs are so great and our people are not able to build for themselves. One lovely new church building was built this year in Sustijote. Our son, Don, was with us in April when we dedicated this church building. Our evangelist there earned his degree in Political Science. He expected to have a life in politics. Instead, he came to know Jesus and has been called to serve Him. His job paid well for India, but he gave it up to serve his people and live with a small allowance. He has a lovely wife and one small son. This church is built on the banks of a river and is not far from the mountains of Nepal. We stood on the porch in front of the church and looked across the river to the beautiful tea gardens and up to the hill station of Darjeeling and on up to the highest mountains in the world. I clearly remembered the stories our Mother read me as a wee child about these great mountains and the town of Darjeeling. Our Mother did not travel widely but saw the world by reading widely and was able to share what she saw. I was not able to be at the Sustijote church on a Sunday before I left in July, but I went on a Friday morning. Many were at work, but we had about 150 there for a service in which I shared. What a joy to share His love with such precious ones.

It was our joy to see 276 take baptism in our work in the north during the first six months of 2007. I look forward to meeting many others who have taken this step since I left in July. Please pray that He will continue to give fruit and that the fruit will remain.

Pastor David RajKumar, one of our senior pastors in South India, is having many health problems. Please pray for him and for our people at Bethel Free Will Baptist Church where he is pastor. Pastor Samuel Devanesan, our other senior pastor in South India, continues to have serious health issues. Please do pray for good health and enabling for all of our pastors, evangelists and church planters in North and South India.

"Where there is no vision, the people perish." Proverbs 29:18a. I am thankful for the vision we had when we first went to India in 1952. He has shown us much which needed to be done after each visit to USA. Now, as I again prepare to return to India, I am thankful for the needs He is showing to me and trust His enabling to complete the task He has for me. I am challenged anew by words from Olga J. Weiss: "The way may be marked with pain, dear Lord, But Thou endured the cross. Honor and wealth of the world, dear Lord, O may I count but loss. To have Thy love is all I ask, Thy will to be my own; And though to the ends of the earth I go, I will not go alone."

We send our thanks to all of you who have prayed for and supported us and His work in India. We pray His own rich blessings on you as you continue to stand with us to build His church in India.

Joyfully in Christ,

Carlisle Hanna