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## “For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ

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Dear Pastor, Church, and Friends,

We rejoice that God is using us to see people saved and disciplined in His work. There have been **65** saved and **4** baptized in May through June.

We have a small Bible institute called Teaching All Nations. Seventeen are enrolled and have just completed their first year of classes. We will start back in September.

We also use Foundations of My Faith discipleship lessons to help those who want to get grounded in their faith. I am discipling two medical people. One is an optician, and the other a medical student in medical school. Last year I went through the three levels of the course with a medical doctor who is originally from India and attends our church. He and his wife completed the three levels. Before he came here, he was not a Baptist, but after getting grounded in the faith, he chose to become a Baptist. Through online teaching, he is now reaching others in India. He and his brother run a ministry in India to help pastor and to train them. He has already finished teaching the Foundations of My Faith discipleship lessons, all three levels. He reported that 160 pastors have completed the Foundations of My Faith lessons. He said, “Since then, trained pastors started practicing soul winning, and more people are coming to Christ.” He has translated the lessons into the Hindi and Telugu languages of India so that he can reach a larger audience. He is now working to implement the Teaching All Nations Bible Institute curriculum to that crowd.

On a recent Saturday, I spent most of the day visiting people on my bus route. I witnessed to a man that I had tried years ago to witness to, but he never gave me a chance to do it. On this Saturday, he listened intently as I talked to him about his need for a Savior. It was not long before he bowed his head and sweetly received Christ. I asked him, “Do you feel like something changed inside you?” He said, “Yes, I do.” I told him that is the weight of sin taken away by the Spirit of God.

I felt so wonderful knowing that God used me to tell another sinner, like someone told me years ago, how they could know from the Bible that their sins could be forgiven. That scenario happened three more times that day. I felt so good that God would use me to show another sinner how to find bread - the Living Bread. Philippians 2:13 tells us, “*For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.*” It brings God pleasure to use us in His work. It brings us pleasure to be used of God in His work. The world tells us, “Do this or do that, and it will give you pleasure.” Most of the things the world calls pleasure come with a price - the price of broken lives, broken hopes, broken dreams. This leads to deep despair and darkness. At this point, life loses purpose. Purposelessness gives way into fantasy and make-believe. It is a sick turning of the mind, inwardly, to please self. Self becomes number one. Forget about reality. The make-believe fantasy world becomes a substitute for what is true and real. II Timothy 3:4, “*...lovers of pleasures...*” This make-believe, self-world lends itself to mindless relationships and vicious addictions. The addictions lead to more guilt, shame and regret. It never stops. That is the end result of what the world offers as pleasure. Not so with the pleasures that God gives. His pleasures are full of joy, not regrets.

Thank you for praying and lifting up holy hands on our behalf. Until next time, your ambassadors from the mission field.

In Christ Jesus the Anchor holds,  
The Shrivnauth family  
Noel, Charlene, Gretel, Elsie, and Nolan

**for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh:” Romans 9:3**