



RAJASTHAN REGION

(Including Gujarat, Madya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Udaipur)

Udaipur Region salutes everyone with warm and joyous Christmas and New Year Greetings.

December was the month of celebration. Lights, stars, bells, and Santa Clause is seen all around. Indeed, it is the time of joy and happiness. Udaipur Region celebrated this December very differently. It was the joy of the Lord echoing from all over the region.

We thank all the prayer partners, supporters for continually standing with us.

RAJASTHAN & GUJARAT EVENTS

Dec. 1-3 were blessed days for Udaipur. Two teams visited us with God's message and testimonies from Australia and Switzerland during the Regional Pastors' meetings and Udaipur Boys TC graduation.

The Australian team under the leadership of Mr. James ministered from the word of God in various sessions. That was very encouraging and touching to all who attended. The Swiss team with Stephane also brought many more blessings to Udaipur.

GRADUATION

Dec.02 was a memorable day for the 8th class students of Udaipur Boys TC. Twenty three of them were awarded with the Graduation Certificate. It was a colorful day with wide smiles on everyone's faces. Pr. Sohanlal read Ps.23 and prayed, Pr. Jinoy welcomed all participants. Special song was presented by Australian team.

Brother Roshan from Banswara shared a few words about the life of students in TC during their studies. Then graduation address was given by Pr. Stephen. The Girl's TC students presented a special program.

Report presentation was given by Pr. Wilcent. The commissioning was done by Pr. Jacob (National coordinator, TC) followed by award presentation by Pr. Jose, Pr. Chris and Sister Susan presented gifts to the candidates. Special message was delivered by Pr. James. The ceremony was concluded with the prayer and benediction of Pr. Jose, our Regional Director.



In the presence of many guest and relatives, students graduated and dedicated for future ministry to the lord. They are determined to accomplish great things in the land of Rajasthan as well as the neighbouring places. We thank everyone who prayed and supported us.

LOVE INDIA PRAYER CAMPAIGN

Love India program was a dedicated time of prayer and patriotism. India is a multi-cultural nation with many major religions and faiths. People want peace and unity in their lives and communities. But the devil has corrupted the societies and lifestyles. We see immense negativity in each community. It is our duty and God's command to pray for one another.

The Lord says, "if my people those who are called may humble themselves and turn from their wicked ways I will listen to them..."

Standing on this promise of Almighty God Love India Prayer campaign was organized. Empart Pastors and Churches were very conscious about the present condition of the nation and dedicated their valuable three days spending in fast and prayer. Prayer walk, praying separately for all states and government, was another attraction of these days. TC students and pastors along with foreign team conducted prayer walk in the streets of Udaipur city.

CATCH THE FIRE

It was memorable and quality time for all Pastors and staff to attend the national convention at Delhi from 5th Dec. to 09th. The huge gathering of all Empart members at Delhi accelerated the energy and enthusiasm of pastors to step into a new level of ministry.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

It was time of joy and jingle bells for entire Christian community. The songs of happiness and celebration were heard all over Udaipur region. Many villages and churches organized whole night celebration, prayer and singing during Christmas week.

Udaipur Regional Office Celebrated Christmas Program on 21st. This was the first event conducted with the participation of neighbors and villagers from Hindu background. There were around 300 people along with some friends and pastors.



TC students presented a skit while Sunday school children presented many special programs. The Girl's TC students gave a special number which cap-

tured the attraction of every participant. Maharashtra, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh also had different programs for non Christians in many places. Huge numbers of New Testaments and Christian literature were distributed as Christmas gifts. This was a great opportunity for everyone to share the love of Christ. There were open air programs, carol singing, a film show and literature distribution.



TRANSFORMATION CENTER (LADIES')

Students in the Ladies' TC too were in the mood of festival and holidays. We observed tremendous changes in the lives and attitude of the students in these months. Many were voluntarily on fast for a few days for effective witnessing of the gospel in the future. New subjects were being taught. Last month we conducted exams. Students scored good grade in all subjects. Teachers are also very happy to see the changes in the lives of students. Their hard work and experience is bringing more fruits in them. As winter is becoming severe, many students fell ill and caught fever, cold and cough. Please pray.

Youth meeting is being conducted on Saturdays which help students to build confidence to lead the congregation. It is a platform for all to show and utilize their talents and qualities. Many quality programs add spice and knowledge to their biblical understanding.

BAPTISM

North India is chilled in the winter. The average temperature in Rajasthan is 7 degree now. Seventy seven people witnessed the Living God in the cold water and promised to live for God.

Rajasthan and Gujarat had this privilege to add more people to the growth of God's Kingdom. In the night prior to the baptism, whole night prayer was conducted under the leadership of Pr. Jose and Pr. Jinoy in which many people were released from the demon possession.



Also along the Gujarat-Rajasthan border a baptism program was conducted under the leadership of Pr. Jose and Pr. Varghese in which forty four people testified the Lord. There are many more people waiting to be baptized. They were not able to reach the venue because of lack of conveyance. We request your valuable prayers for those faithful believers.

THANKSGIVING DAY

The last Sunday of December, the Empart celebrated as Thanksgiving Sunday for God's faithfulness. The Lord was good to us in 2011. He led us this far and we look for His amazing ways in 2012 as well.

RATLAM

Studies in Ratlam TC are progressing. Students are actively participating in all the programs at TC. Exam was conducted last month and most of the students scored good marks and some still need to improvement and seek attention.

Students are blessed with a new Warden. He is taking good care of the students. He is a well trained

and experienced Pastor. His service will be profitable for TC as well as for the students. They are getting closer to Jesus. New subjects are being taught. Everyone expresses eagerness to receive more knowledge of the Bible. The use of library gives them more information and enhanced vision about the biblical teachings. Many students, at the end of the year, are voluntarily on fast and pray for effective and meaningful ministry. The influences of teachers are also obvious in the spiritual changes of students.

December is the month of celebration and singing. We conducted Christmas program in the TC. The Church too participated. Everyone seemed very glad during this festive season. Some special programs were conducted in different villages nearby where Christian films, that were not focused on Christmas, were shown. They were very responsive to the Gospel. We request your valuable prayers for them so that God may transform their lives and release them from the darkness of the world.

After the Christmas celebration, students went for a short Christmas vacation. They will be back on 2nd January 2012. Please pray.

BHUSAWAL TRANSFORMATION CENTER (MEN'S)

Bhusawal TC is tremendously experiencing the faithfulness of God. Last month was very busy month though. Students were busy with their studies and preparation for Christmas season as well. There was a municipal election in the state. Now it is over and the environment is calm and quiet.

Students are enjoying every day in TC. They are more disciplined and transformed now. All of them are good friends and some made close friends too. Their approach to studies is very intense. They way they pray, read the Bible and preach has immensely developed.

Teachers are imparting the Word of God from their experience. That also impacts students' perspective and vision. Teachers also enjoy their ministry while teaching these young men. Many are fasting by themselves for effective ministry in future. Each student is showing improvements in his personality, attitude and spiritual life.

A student name Ramakrishna hails from Orthodox Hindu family. Once his village was affected with diarrhea, some servants of God visited his village and prayed for his family too. They introduced Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior to his family. They believed in Jesus and God completely healed them from contagious disease. His faith increased and he decided to serve the Lord. He came to Bhusawal TC to be trained to become a servant of God. Please remember him in your valuable prayer.

TRANSFORMATION CENTER (LADIES')

By the grace of God the Ladies' TC too is running smoothly. All the students are doing well. We thank God for all the dedicated teachers. The winter season has started. By the grace of God we were able to provide new blankets for the students. We also thank you for your generous contribution. Some of our students were sick last month because of weather change, but thank God there was nothing serious. Despite unfavorable climate, some girls were in fasting prayer last days.

Our neighbors are also very supportive. There is no problem till now to run the TC. Girls are displaying great developments in their character, attitude and spiritual life. The change in the girls gives us great joy that our hard work is being fruitful. Academic improvement too is seen in all of them.

VYARA

Students of Vyara TC too are doing great in their studies. They are on Christmas holiday for last week of December. Students are happy and are encouraged to do ministry in their respective villages. They have identified the villages where they have to do ministry and praying to God for guidance.

During holidays as well they are involved into ministry sharing the Good News with the people they meet. Tailoring Center at TC Vyara is also running well. We have 20 women from nearby locality learning tailoring classes.

Love India program was conducted from 01 Dec to 03 Dec 2011. It was really a blessing and a new experience for our students. All the three days were observed as fasting prayer days. There was prayer walk in and around the city of Vyara. Whole night prayer was also conducted and different sessions of prayer were conducted during day time.

VADODARA

Last month of the year was full of excitement and hope. The days were busy with various programs and God helped us to do something different this year. As usual the classes are in progress. TC students are really growing in biblical knowledge and in spiritual health. Now only three months are left for the completion of the training, all the students are eagerly waiting to go to their field. The students who are weak in studies and lagging behind were given extra coaching and counseling.

LOVE INDIA - PRAYER AND FASTING

First three days of December were separated for the Love India Prayer Campaign. During these days fasting prayer, prayer walk and night watch (whole night prayer) were conducted. Not only in the TC, but all the Empart churches in Gujarat with the sole purpose of spiritual awakening in our country gathered to pray. These programs were challenging and encouraging for everyone.

We had good time with God during this period. A team from Switzerland visited us at Vadodara. It was a motivating factor for all of us. We are really thankful to God for the team from Switzerland and Germany to pray for our nation.

BAPTISM

On 24th Dec 44 people were baptized in Vadodara. They all come from the church of Pr. Rakesh who graduated from Vadodara TC in 2010 March. He has 125 believers attending the Sunday service in his small house. His hard work brought such immense result.

Now he is planning and praying for a church building. He has his own land but due to financial problem he is waiting for the Lord for the miracle. God gave him a vision and he started praying for fifty new families in 2011. God was faithful and forty five have so far come to Christ.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

25 Dec was observed as Thanksgiving Day. God's faithfulness was remembered and his mercy for us throughout the year was acknowledged and we gave thanks to Him. In the evening, we conducted some

special program in a nearby slum area. Empart Vadodara church members and some pastors took active part to make this celebration successful.

We also showed film Jesus to the people in slum, and distributed tracts and New Testament to them. Visited each house and wished them happy Christmas. Before the film show a small introduction was given about Jesus. All listened carefully and viewed the film with enthusiasm. Santa distributed chocolate to children. After the film show we prayed for them and distributed food to about 350 people. They were all Hindus but invited us to visit them frequently.

We are so thankful to you as well for your kind support and fervent prayer. People continue to stand with us so that we could see the establishment of God's Kingdom in entire North India.

We wish all our supporters and partners for your tremendous support and love towards us. We wish you all a meaningful season of Celebration and a prosperous and glittering happy New Year. Let us stand together for this noble cause, and lift the banner of Jesus in the coming year.

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for the expansion of God's Kingdom in Udaipur region.
- Pray for the newly baptized people that they may stand strong in faith and prove to be the effective witness for the Lord.
- Pray for the students in all the Transformation Centers in Udaipur Region that the lord may bless them and they may become effective and powerful men and women of God.
- Pray for the fulfilment of all the needs in various TCs and other ministerial activities.
- In many places we need to build church building. Please pray.