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INTRODUCTION

A story is told of a Pastor whose parsonage had a clog in the gutter of his home. He called a man to find the problem and fix it. While Bill, the repair man, was working, the Pastor got into a conversation with him regarding the clogged gutters. The Pastor was so intensely concentrating on the gutter problem. He suddenly realized and changed the matter of conversation with Bill. He began to ask Bill about his beliefs and his spiritual life. On Sunday morning when the Pastor was preaching, he related the incident and said, "It took me a while to take my head off the sewer and realize that God had something greater than the sewage problem. That morning his message was entitled, "Take your head off the sewer and on to the Savior."

How often this is true in our daily lives. We concentrate so much on our guilt, sin, troubles, trials, and afflictions and forget to look at the Savior who has the solutions to all our problems. As Christians we realize that it is not easy to live the Christian life to impact the world around us. Let us look at many things we dwell on instead of looking at our Savior and Lord, even our Lord Jesus Christ.

LIVING IN THE PAST

Some are very successful in their area of work or business or financially and consider themselves as being capable of doing anything. They feel very confident of themselves and their capabilities. They live in past glories and their past successes and they think that their past will take care of their future. In the spiritual world, people become complacent because they have accomplished much and assume that they will

automatically continue to do so. Complacency is defined as a feeling of smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements. As a Christian, it could be a disaster because the devil is not complacent. The apostle Peter cautions us with these words in **1 Pt 5: 8, 9** "***Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.***" In other words, we have to be vigilant and give no place for assumptions that we will not give in to the devil's temptations. He will come in a subtle way at your weakest moment to tempt you.

Let us take the example of Samson in the Bible. He was one of the Judges of Israel after the Lord brought back the children of Israel out of Egypt. He knew that God had blessed him with great strength. However, he was not to cut his hair to maintain the strength God had given him. There was only one command that he had to obey to keep his strength. Samson was a wayward person. First his eyes were more focused on women and that weakness of his got him into trouble. His history is written in **Judges 13-16**. Second, God also said that he should stay away from strong drinks. This could have protected him from sleeping. He loved a Philistine woman named Delilah. She had tried to find out where his strength came from. At last, he told her that it was his hair. She puts him to sleep and then cuts off his hair while he slept. Here is what we read in **Judges 16: 19, 20** "***And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.***"

*And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, **I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.***” There are two important things to take note of in the above verse. He was glorying in his past. He had killed a lion with his bare hands. He had devastated the corn fields of the Philistines. He had slain a thousand Philistines with a jawbone of an ass. He had carried away the gates of Gaza when imprisoned there. He was thinking that it was going to be easy to overcome the Philistines who were coming upon him, only to find out that he had lost his strength and they overcame him and gouged out his eyes. The second thing to note is that ‘the Lord departed from him’. It is sad when the Lord departs from anyone, the great loss will be felt in an excruciating way. Saul was anointed to be the first king of Israel, but his disobedience caused him to stumble. We read in **I Sam. 16: 14, “But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.”** Finally, he even sought a witch to find out what his future would be. Saul failed to repent for his apathy and failures and the consequences were devastating!

Take the example of David. He was a sweet Psalmist to the Lord. As a boy tending his sheep, he killed a lion and a bear that had come to steal the sheep from his sheepfold. He wrote most of the Psalms in the Bible. The Lord helped him to overcome the giant Goliath. However, later in life, he was tempted after one look at Bathsheba. His past glories were no reason for his behavior. The consequences of his behavior were devastating to him. We cannot become complacent and take advantage of our past glories no matter how

great our spiritual achievement was. We need to be consistent and live a life faithful to the Lord. Peter was one of the three disciples of Jesus within the inner circle, as a result he was very confident of his faith in Jesus. But, his past was of no help to him when challenged. We read in **Mk 14: 26-31, “And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.”**

And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise, also said they all.” **Mk 14: 72 “And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.”** Peter was caught off guard at this moment. This teaches us to be vigilant about our Christian life.

Some of us have felt the past hurts that was against us and the pain from it has been such that we are unable to forget it. Some as a result even pass-through depression because of their sadness. No wonder Jesus teaches us to be forgiving no matter what may ail us from the past. Jesus was the best example the world could ever get regarding forgiveness among many other things. Before He went to the cross, he was mocked, bound, they spat on Him, pulled the hair of His beard, scourged Him, put a

crown of thorns on His head, and they spent the whole night doing these. The next day, He was made to carry the cross and was crucified. The first words that came from Him on the cross was this: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." Despite feeling the rejection by His own people for whom He came as their Messiah, He was able to say these words even when He was in great pain. All because He desired that the world may be saved! May we learn to forgive those who have wronged us and not dwell in past hurts.

In fact, many go back to the past and dwell on it. One of the reasons for divorce is that people go back and remember those they have dated in the past. When misunderstanding occurs in the home, they wish they had married someone else from their past dates. How we need to learn to forgive our wives or husbands? My Pastor often says that he and his wife have "intense fellowship" when there is a misunderstanding between them. We need to listen to the admonition that Jesus gave in **Mt 6: 14-15** when He said, ***"For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses"*** when He was teaching the Lord's prayer. The apostle Paul wrote a letter to Philemon which is now an epistle regarding Onesimus. Asking Philemon to forgive him and take him back to serve him as he had changed his ways after believing in Jesus. We are also reminded of what Jesus said in **Mt 5: 23-24**, ***"Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there remember that thy brother has ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."***

LIVING WITH GUILT

Many are living with the guilt of what they have done in the past. They are unable to get rid of the guilt on their own try as hard as they might. God has created us in such a way that we feel the guilt of wrong things we do. Even a little child lies or hides things from their parents lest they find out. This is exactly what happened to Adam and Eve. Having disobeyed God, they hid from Him when He came to meet with them because they felt guilty of disobeying Him.

Zacchaeus was the chief tax collector. In this capacity, he was probably one of the most unliked person at that time. I think nobody would want to talk to him or go to his house either. However, he had heard about Jesus and His teachings and about the miracles which Jesus performed. Jesus was visiting his town that day and he was short of stature, so he climbed up a Sycamore tree so he could get a look at Jesus amid the crowd. Jesus looked up and saw him and called him by name. He must have been shocked when Jesus asked him to come down and that he was going to spend the day with him. All those around Jesus, murmured that Jesus was going to a 'sinner's' house as a guest. In the meantime, Zacchaeus felt so guilty about his lifestyle that he starts off with his confession though Jesus did not mention a word of his sinfulness. Here is his confession in **Lk 19: 8**, ***"And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold."*** Zacchaeus had been going about his work with a guilty conscience all along with no relief in sight. At the same time, he was unwilling to be truthful and honest in his work. We read in **Rom 2: 4**, ***"...The goodness of God leadeth to repentance."*** There are

many examples in the Bible of people Jesus met and took care of their guilt such as the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well, the woman caught in adultery etc. We read in Psalms of the writer, David feeling the guilt and as long as he failed to repent, he says, "my bones waxed old." We read about it in **Ps 32** how that when he confessed his sin, he was set free. (**Ps 32 : 1-5**) ***"Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile. When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long. For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin."***

LIVING IN SIN

Living in sin is not an option for a Christian. As Christians, we are aware of the fact that any active or passive rebellion against the laws of God is sin. Sin brings guilt to a person. The only way out of it and to be victorious is to be cleansed by the blood of Jesus as it says in **1 Jn 1: 9**, ***"If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."*** The apostle Paul addresses sin in detail in **Rom 6**. He urges Christians not to serve sin. Again he says in **Rom 6: 12, 13**, ***"Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God."***

While God gives us a way of escape through our Lord Jesus Christ, we must recognize that many of our sins have grave consequences, because it brings dishonor to God as a Christian. David was a well known 'sweet' Psalmist to the Lord. After his sin with Bathsheba, he confessed it and God forgave (**Ps 51**), but the consequences of it was severe.

Early in the dawn of civilization were two brothers. The elder was Cain and the younger was Able. Cain's offering to God was not accepted, but Abel's was accepted. Cain was angered. The Lord gave him an answer in **Gen 4: 7**, ***"If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him."*** God Himself gives us the answer, that we have to rule over "him". Who is this personality other than Satan himself who is the author of sin. Satan failed in his attempt to tempt Jesus in the wilderness. Jesus said of him in **Jn 8: 44**, ***"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own resources: for he is a liar, and the father of it."*** Jesus also said of Satan in **Jn 10: 10**, ***"The thief cometh not but for to steal and to kill and to destroy, but I am come that they might have life and that more abundantly."***

LIVING A WORLDLY LIFE

The world has many attractions for us. We have many modern gadgets that keep us busy constantly. Take stock of your life and see how many hours you spend per day on the TV, Smart Phone, laptops, ipad, etc and evaluate against how much time you spend on prayer, Bible Reading and fellowship with other Christians on

the God's word. We may even be tithing our treasures to God's work, but do we tithe our time and talent to God? The apostle Paul urges Christians to not lust after the world in **I Jn 2: 15-17**, ***“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.”***

Jesus gave an example of the prodigal son. There were two sons. The younger took his inheritance from his father and went away to a far country. There he lived a lavish worldly life style. After his enjoyment of the world, he realized that he had spent all his money and needed to work. The only work they would give him is to take care of the swines. He had to sustain himself on the food that the swines ate. He comes to his senses and returns to his father's house. Many youngsters today think that “if only I could go far away from my father's house, I can do all I want to do and enjoy myself”. They wait to get to college and select a college far away from home, only to realize that life becomes miserable and return to a college near home. Living a worldly life can destroy the future of anyone because it leads to death. The apostle Paul felt sad over the departure of Demas as he says in **II Tim 4: 10**, ***“For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; ...”*** Paul also urges Christians not to be “conformed to this world: but to be transformed by the renewing of your mind ...” Here is a scripture that encourages us in **I Jn 5: 4-5**, ***“For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the***

world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?” Here is what James says in **James 1: 27**, ***“Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.”***

LIVING IN THE SPIRIT

The best answer for a Christian to help overcome all that the flesh tries to do against God is to live in the Spirit. The apostle Paul encourages believers to do so in **Gal 5: 16**, ***“This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.”*** We are the temple of the Holy Spirit, but our natural man is fleshy and tries to lust after fleshly and worldly things, but if we walk in the Spirit, the Spirit of God will restrain our flesh from the desires of worldliness. The battle rages between our flesh and the Spirit within us. The apostle Paul speaks of the warfare in **Rom 7: 21-25**, ***“I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.”*** David in seeking God desires that sin does not have dominion over him in **Ps 19: 13**, ***“Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the***

great transgression.” If we are indeed led by the Holy Spirit, we are not under the law. Furthermore, Satan is the arch enemy of God, and we are in the midst of a battle till death, for “we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities and powers against spiritual wickedness in high places.”

✧ **Work of the Holy Spirit in us – I Cor. 2: 10-16**

This passage shows us that when filled with the Holy Spirit, He teaches us many things: He enables us to search all spiritual matters; He enables us to have a deeper knowledge of God; He gives us all understanding; He teaches us spiritual things; He provides us with spiritual discernment; provides us the knowledge to make spiritual judgement; thus, we are endowed with the mind of Christ.

✧ **Results of Living in the Spirit – Rom 8: 1-17**

The above passage gives us great comfort that there are positive results by Living in the Spirit. There is no condemnation; righteous requirements of the law are fulfilled; we care about godly things; we are pleasing to God; we belong to God; we are lively and active spiritually; as children of God, we are heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ.

✧ **Practical Results – Gal 5: 16-26**

The above passage talks about the constant fight between the flesh and the Holy Spirit in us. The works of the flesh is listed from verses **Gal 5: 19-21**. When filled with the Spirit or walking in the Spirit, a Christian will display the following characteristics: love, joy peace, long-suffering gentleness meekness and temperance. Furthermore, Paul warns us against envy and prideful vanity or provoking others.

WARNINGS

I Tim 1: 8-10, “But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully; Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for men stealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;”

Rev 21: 8, “But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.”

CONCLUSION – some helpful scriptures:

- ✧ Walk in the Spirit – Rom 8: 4
- ✧ Set your minds on the things of the Spirit – Rom 8: 5; Gal 5: 22-23
- ✧ Put to death the deeds of the body by the Spirit – Rom 8: 13
- ✧ Be led by the Spirit – Rom 8: 14; I Pt 1: 20-21
- ✧ Know the Fatherhood of God by the Spirit – Rom 15-17
- ✧ Hope in the Spirit – Rom 8: 22-25
- ✧ Pray in the Spirit – Rom 8: 26-28
- ✧ Put on the whole Armor of God – Eph 6: 10-20

- Dr. Sam Russell

EDITORIAL

We extend our heartfelt greetings in Christ to our beloved brothers and sisters on behalf of the Saththiya Vaarthai magazine.

“... This day I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel...” Joshua 3:7

We who live in this world are all cherished to live a life of excellence. It is everyone's desire to hold a place of distinction in our workplaces, among our relatives, and within society. The excellence that comes from the Lord is lasting and brings peace. The Lord will uplift those who are considered insignificant.

David was considered insignificant by his own father in his family. How? When the Lord told Samuel, “I have chosen one from the family of Jesse to be king, go and anoint him,” David was not initially recognized. David's father thought little of him and presented only his other seven sons before Samuel, overlooking David entirely. But the Lord chose David and had him anointed. Similarly, his brothers also thought little of him. In battles, Goliath from the Philistine army mocked the Israelite army for 40 days. Saul and his army were afraid of Goliath and did not attempt to confront him.

When David came to check on the well-being of his brothers in Saul's army, he heard Goliath's words mocking the army of the living God. David then took it upon himself to challenge Goliath, questioning why this Philistine should defy the armies of Israel. At that moment, David's brother scornfully asked why he had left the few sheep in the wilderness. Goliath, seeing David, mocked him for being young and having a ruddy appearance.

But the Lord, using David, defeated Goliath, for whom both the Israelite army and Saul feared. David, armed only with a few stones, killed Goliath and was exalted before all the people of Israel. He will exalt us before our enemies. Haman, a high-ranking official, planned to destroy all the Jews, including Mordecai, Esther's uncle, who did not bow to him. He sought the king's permission and set a date for the destruction of all Jews.

For this reason, Mordecai, Esther, and the Jewish people with them fasted and prayed for three days. Sometime earlier, when the king's chief guards plotted to kill King Ahasuerus, Mordecai learned of the plot and saved the king. Later, when this was recorded in the royal chronicles, the king wanted to honor Mordecai. Haman, however, was tasked with honoring Mordecai by dressing him in royal robes, placing him on the king's horse, and parading him through the city streets. Haman, distressed and humiliated, returned to his home in despair.

When Queen Esther, Mordecai and all Jews with them fasted and humbled before God, God gave them victory over all their enemies. They had light and gladness, Joy and honour.

“Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth” Deuteronomy 28:1.

On the 3rd of August, Bro. Joy Kutty, Gideon, and Robert from Coimbatore, along

with Bro. Rajakumar from Tirupur and Bro. Samuel, Irula (Velliyangadu) translator went to Karamadai. From there, they distributed 144 Psalms and Proverb books to the Irula (Velliyangadu) people living in nearby villages.

The people received the books with great eagerness. It has been decided that a team will go in the coming months to distribute the remaining books. On the 16th of this month, Nine IBT Promotional Staff and some IBT representatives have planned to visit the Bapanpalli Children's Home in Odisha and share God's word in the local IBT churches to encourage the people there.

For this and to introduce the IBT ministry in churches where it has not yet been established, all IBT Representatives and Promotional Staff should approach the church leaders and seek opportunities. If such opportunities arise, it would lead to expand our ministry for glory of God. Let us pray for the Lord's grace to make this possible.

We pray that the grace of Jesus Christ will always be with each of you.

"Shalom"!

Your brother in the Lord's service.

K. Jaisingh

WORLD NEWS

1. Russia declares a 'federal level' emergency in Kursk region following a large – scale incursions from Ukraine and sends reinforcements there, days after hundreds of Ukrainian troops poured across.
2. Stalin launches 'Tamil Puthalvan' Scheme. DMK schemes Aim to Ensure Financial Independence for women, Education for youth.
3. Plane with 62 aboard crashes in Brazil, all presumed dead.
4. Bangladesh interim govt takes shape, 27 portfolios with Yunns. Hardliners Gets Religious Affairs, student leaders, youth and information.
5. Paetongtarn Shinawatra has been elected as New Prime Minister of Thailand.
6. Avani Lekhara creates history, 22 year old becomes India's 1st Woman para-athlete to clinch two straight Paralympics gold.

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FIELD NEWS

Missionary : Bro. Israel Edla

Field : Santhoshpur (Odisha)

To God be the glory!

Last month, I visited 15 villages listed below for missionary work, met many people, shared the gospel, and prayed for them. Names of the villages: Bodomasigan, Nenganal, Bathikuda, Bandarikuda, Mirminda, Siyuni, Badaamtha, Jarsemala, Santhoshpur, Karlimal, Thorikuda, Rajoda, Kutniyakuda, Jebakuda, Baknakuda, Thalaikuda, Vandiya, and Rajarkat.

Brother Krishna, Rajpal, Shankar, Thulram, Madhu, Logi, Sisters Sonali, Maneesha, Meena and Sanmathi eagerly listened to the message. Additionally, Sunday worship and fasting prayer meetings were conducted at the two mission fields, Santhoshpur and Nanganal. Prayers were offered for IBT's translation work, missionary work, children's home ministries, promotional work, IBT administrators, and sponsors.

Additionally, as the needs of the IBT ministry are growing, please pray for new sponsors, for the ministry to continue without interruption, and for its expansion. Please also keep my missionary work and my family in your prayers.

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Translation helper / Promotional Staff :

Sister. Elizebeth

Language : Paniya

Field : Gudalur (Tamilnadu)

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Last month, we began our work with thanksgiving and prayer. As instructed by the office in August, we prepared and sent a video

of our ministry to the IBT sponsors. For the promotional work and missionary work, we visited Mount Pleasant, Jaibarath Colony Road, Central Gudalur, Pillayar Kovil Street, 1st Mile Street, Devala, Pandhalur, Marappalam, Rajagopalapuram, Taj Hospital and met with IBT partners, received offerings, and prayed for them.

We conducted IBT prayer meetings in the Puthurvayal and Health Camp areas. Additionally, ministry work was carried out among the Paniya language church believers.

Please keep our ministry work and our family in your prayers.

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Promotional Staff : Bro. Paul Jeyasudhan

Field : Trichy (Tamilnadu)

By the Lord's grace, I was able to carry out promotional work throughout the entire month in the Trichy area.

Last month, it rained for many days. In some areas, it was a bit difficult to travel by vehicle. Yet, by God's grace, I was sustained.

Mr. Peter Kamaraj's wife and Mr. Milton Solomon have passed away in the Lord. I visited their families, offered my condolences, and prayed for them. Mr. Selvaraj continues to remain weak. I prayed earnestly for him. I met Mr. Joseph and requested him to conduct a promotional meeting in the new church. I asked Mr. Chandrasekar to conduct a promotional meeting at CSI All Souls Church. I requested Mr. Gunasekaran to conduct a promotional meeting at CSI Redeemer Church. I asked Mr. Joseph Thuvakudimalai to conduct a promotional meeting at CSI Immanuel Church.

I am meeting with each sponsor, praying earnestly for them, and collecting offerings. I am also sharing about the 200-language project and asking them to pray for it. I am praying for the expansion of the IBT ministry. I kindly ask you to pray for me and my family.

"Let us meditate to meet the King of Zion."

Translator : **Bro. Azaria Maduri**

Language : **Koya**

Field : **Podia (Odisha)**

Let there be praise to the Lord alone!

Last month, in the translation work of the New Testament, the typing was completed on the computer from I Timothy chapter 2:6 to chapter 6:21, II Timothy chapter 1:1 to chapter

4:22, Titus chapter 1:1 to chapter 3:15, Hebrews chapter 1:1 to chapter 13:1, James chapter 1:1 to chapter 5:20.

In July, it rained heavily for almost 15 days. Due to this, the rainwater overflowed the bridges, leading to major disruptions in transportation. Everyone in our district was significantly affected.

An IBT missionary's mother, passed away during the rainy season. She was buried with great difficulty. A Christian believer, Brother Pandimuna, has been admitted to the hospital due to kidney issues. Please pray for his complete recovery, my translation work, and for my son Thara Babu, who has joined college and is seeking a place in the hostel. Also, pray for my family.

NEED

IBT requires three laptops to be provided to the translators. We need Rs. 1,35,000/- to meet expenses of these laptops. Please pray to get sponsors to contribute towards this amount.

- Treasurer, IBT

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PRAY AND PRAISE!

1. Praise the Lord for the planned arrival of the Lambani language translators, Brother Paramesh and Brother Hanumanth, at the IBT Center in Coimbatore on 7.8.2024, carried out the final checking work of the Lambani New Testament. Pray that the page-making work will begin soon and be quickly handed over to the translators.
2. Praise the Lord for His grace in enabling the release of Bibles, New Testaments, Psalms, Proverbs, Gospel books in many languages and audio recorded tools in some languages, through the prayer and support of IBT sponsors & magazine readers, the hard work of the translators, and the assistance of BSI consultants. Pray that the Old Testament work in the Mundari, Sambalpuri, Bhovi, Bojpuri, Kalahandia, and Mirgan languages, and the New Testament work in the 10 languages of Siddik, Wagri, Dingal, Kuduk, Gadaba, Sora, Konda Porja, Kuvi, Bageli, and Bundeli will be completed during the upcoming IBT Logos camp. Also, pray for the translators to be engaged in this work with enthusiasm.
3. Efforts are being made to obtain permission to hold IBT promotional meetings in CSI church congregations in the Madurai-Ramanathapuram diocese. Pray that the Lord will open doors of opportunity in churches where the IBT ministry has not yet been introduced.
4. Pray for the safety of the promotional staff and some representatives traveling to visit mission fields in Odisha State planned for this month.

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