

14<sup>th</sup> October 2017 **PRI- /SRK/PM / R62-1****Indeed he is not far from each one of us.**

Acts 17:27

**H. Peter & Sylvia Müller****FAMIN (Families in India)****4410 Liestal Switzerland****My Dear Father**

Greetings and wishes to you in the Precious Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Here is a short report on our visit to FAMIN beneficiaries' families in Valparai.

**PACE FIELD VISIT - Prayer and Fellowship Experience – Local team India****Dates** 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017 to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017**Participants** Silas Rameshkumar, Shobha, Eswari, Simon P. and John P.**Objective** **Meet, reconnect, pray and have fellowship with FAMIN beneficiaries and friends****Widow Amuthababy Family, Valparai**

We met Sis. Amuthababy and **Nithyababy** at Stanmore estate. This family is extremely grieving on the **demise of Suganyababy** due to brain fever. Amutha shared the days of hospitalization and struggling of Suganyababy in Valparai, Coimbatore and Pollachi, taking her from one hospital to other, hoping that she will get recovered. Before the week she became sick, she had attended a job interview at Coimbatore and told her mother to be happy as the Lord has opened a door for their family through the job she was about to get. Amutha remembered how she was singing and praying even at the hospital bed until she became unconscious. Amuthababy had to borrow nearly 1.5 lakhs by partly from loans and partly from foreclosure of her EPF account towards the hospital expenses. The shattering demise of Suganyababy, the troubling memories of missing her and financial burdens has made this family to lose all hopes and to backslide. They have stopped going to church, reading the bible and praying. Amuthababy had tried to commit suicide once and got recovered from that attempt by Nithyababy. After that incident, she promised to Nithyababy that she will never do that again. Nithyababy is now studying her second year of BCA at Pollachi by staying in hostel.

During our visit, Nithyababy was in Valparai due to semester holidays. We had a troubling, hear-moving and tearful meeting with this family. We prayed with them and tried to console them. We also explained the importance of being connected with the Lord by reading His word and being in His presence in prayer and receiving guidance through the fellowship in the church. They assured that they will continue again to pray, read the bible and would go to church. We conveyed them the condolences and your heart for this family and how this visit was planned through a prompting from you. They were very happy to know that you remember them and keep praying for them. They conveyed their wishes and greetings to you.

**Raman Family, Valparai**

We visited Raman's family at Valparai. Dhanalakshmi and Balamurugan are the children of Raman are now grown up. Dhanalakshmi is in 6<sup>th</sup> Standard and Balamurugan is in 8<sup>th</sup> Standard. Raman had an accident during work, two years back by falling down from a 25 feet taller building. He had a near death experience and miraculously recovered slowly from the effects but the shock in brain had him partly paralyzed.



His father Kathirvel has died few years back. Raman's wife Sakunthala had to borrow and spend for his hospitalization. Since he is not able to work, she is taking care of the family and medical expenses of Raman.



We conveyed our wishes to them on behalf of you and they were very happy

and expected you to visit them again. Here is a CT scan copy of Raman and the medicines he is taking for his paralyzed condition.



### **Widow Girija Family, Valparai**

Gayathri and Pushpa, the children of Girija who is a widow were supported by FAMIN for their education. Gayathri has got married and her husband is working in a cotton mill at Tirupur. **Pushpa** is studying her B.Sc second year in



Pollachi. She is studying well and actively participating in sports activities such as basketball and athletics. She hopes that she can get a government job under sports quota reservation and she will take care of the family. They are reading bible and going to CSI church in Valparai. Girija had a friend long back and he had left them few years back. Now Girija's parents are living with them and her father is doing laundry business.

- ❖ **Ramesh N, Valparai:** He is now working with Dr. Maya John Philip as a driver. His daughter Mahalakshmi is studying in 9<sup>th</sup> standard and son Rajesh is studying in 6<sup>th</sup> Standard. He also conveyed his regards to you.
- ❖ **Yesammal-Joseph family:** Yesammal got retired from Sirikundra tea estate and they had to vacate the house provided by the estate. They have now moved to Manikka estate and living with their daughter Josephine. Joseph is running his auto business in Valparai. They conveyed their wishes and regards to you and Bro. Reini.
- ❖ **Jesudoss, KDJ travels and stores, Valparai:** Jesudoss' father Dharman has died two years back. His sons have completed degrees and searching for jobs. Jasper has done mechanical engineering degree and staying in Chennai.
- ❖ **Muthumani, Tailoring Shop, Valparai:** Muthumani who was a student of FAMIN tailoring school, ran by Bro. Solomon Aruldoss had started a tailoring business in Valparai and was running successfully. During January 2017, there was a fire accident in the neighboring timber-shop and the fire burnt the tailoring shop as well. All the machines, clothes and furniture got burnt. Since there were no insurance or compensation provided by anyone, she had to renovate and invest again to restart the business. She also settled money for those who had given their dresses for stitching.
- ❖ **Kutty (Muthulakshmi) Family:** Kutty is working in high-forest estate. Naveen has completed his degree and working in Coimbatore as marketing personnel.
- ❖ **Pastor Yovan, Krishnagiri:** Pastor Yovan was very happy that you still remember him. He is using the watch you gifted him. His son and daughter had completed their education. His son got married, having a son and settled in Chennai. His daughter also got married to a pastor, having a girl baby and living in a nearby village.

Overall, this trip was a blessing from the Lord, a good experience of reconnecting and having fellowship with the families.

With thanks and regards,  
**Silas Rameshkumar, Bangalore**





Amuthababy and Nithyababy



Ramesh N, Driver, Valparai, Silas R.



Silas R. with injured **Raman**, children Balamurugan,



At Sholayar Dam (electricity reservoir)



Driver Senthil, Valparai and Silas R.



Pushpa and Silas R.



A monkey- one of the many species in the jungle area of the Anamalais