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INCREASING PERSECUTION AND VIOLENCE AGAINST A TINY MINORITY OF CHRISTIANS

Praises

- We praise God that the imprisoned pastor has been granted bail. His wife's health is improving. She had barely eaten or slept during the month her husband was in prison.
- And we thank God for providing the means to bless a pastor's family with a motorized handpump and storage tank at their house church.

Prayer

- One of our pastors was trapped by a fundamentalist religious group in a village he had visited to lead prayers. He was subsequently arrested and imprisoned on false charges of luring people to convert; pray for the house churches he led. Like sheep without a shepherd, they are scattered and currently beyond our reach.
- Pray for other pastors on our team who have been threatened by corrupt police officers demanding large sums of money from them—or face being falsely implicated in the same conversion case.
- Pray for the pastors and families who have gone into hiding for fear of persecution.
- Pray for the believers whose faith is under trial—that they would stand firm and not fall away.
- Pray for our upcoming trip to the mission fields and meetings.

We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

ROMANS 5:3–5 (ESV)



Pastor PP with his wife.

Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

Greetings in Jesus' name! We praise God that the Gospel continues to advance in our field despite persecution and hardship in South Asia.

Urgent Prayer Request: In July, one of our pastors—who has planted five churches—was arrested on false charges of forcible religious conversion and imprisoned for nearly a



month. His churches were left like sheep without a shepherd, and his wife was hospitalized from stress. We thank God that bail has been granted and he is home with his family, though he is still barred from any religious activity. Please pray for his protection, his family, and the steadfast faith of the believers he serves.

Answered Prayer: Thanks to the generous giving of our friends, we installed a motorized handpump with overhead storage for a pastor's family who lacked clean drinking water. It now serves their family, their church, and neighbors in the community. Praise God!

Upcoming Trip: Please pray as we prepare to travel to the field for several meetings with our workers—for safety, open doors, and fruitful ministry.

Partner With Us: If the Lord leads you to support this trip, meeting expenses, or our various needs on the field, please contact me. Every gift makes an eternal difference.

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Pastor Govind and family with their new hand pump for on-demand clean water supply.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity!

