



CROSS MISSION

CHURCH EQUIPPING &
PLANTING NETWORK

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings in Jesus name! We are excited to share how God is transforming lives in India. Thank you for your prayers and financial support, which assures that shepherds are trained, churches are planted, and the Gospel can flourish throughout this great country.

***“Trust in the LORD with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding” - Proverbs 3:5***

Sister Seetaratnam’s Story: Sister Seetaratnam and her husband visited Revive Church, and it was a joy to meet them and share the Gospel. During their visit, she gave her life to the Lord. They belong to the Kapu people group, who traditionally worship idols and were devout Hindus. Later, her husband also surrendered his life to Jesus. Seetaratnam began opening up about her past, explaining how miserable her life had been and how worshipping her goddess never brought her peace even though she was named after the goddess of her village. Now, she attends church every week, and it has been a delight to see their entire family come to faith in Jesus. However, her family back in her home village still worships the village goddess. Seetaratnam returned to her village and shared Jesus with them, and one of her brothers also gave his life to Christ.



Prayer Requests

- Pray for the graduations in Pedana
- Pray for the Revive Church plant in Hyderabad
- Pray for strength and contentment in the midst of persecution and opposition for our church planters, specifically Krishna
- Pray for the resources for new STCs in unreached states in India
- Pray for the resources to be donated to build 3 church buildings that are desperately needed.

Sponsorship Needs

Sponsor a Church Plant

\$50/ month will support one pastor planting a church in an unreached people group in India.

Sponsor a STC

\$400/ month will help to support one **Shepherds Training Center** that will train up to 25 pastors to plant churches in their village. Your monthly donation will help to provide support for the following:

- Travel/ Lodging
- Food
- Theological Resources
- Renting a place to meet

One-Time Sponsor

Please prayerfully consider giving a **one-time donation of your choosing** to support the work of Cross Mission. These funds will go to support planting churches in the over 2000 unreached people groups in India. Would you consider giving \$100, \$500, \$1000, or more to partner in reaching India for Christ.

SHEPHERDS TRAINING CENTER NEWS

STC Graduation in Kalidindi:



Over the past 12 months, we have been training 25 church planters in Kalidindi. By God's grace, we equipped them with knowledge in Bible survey, theology, and pastoral ministry. Through the Shepherds Training Center (STC), these planters led 852 people to the Lord this year alone. Additionally, the STC established 21 new churches in 21 unreached villages. It's incredible to see 1,200 to 1,500 people gathering for worship in these church services. We have begun a follow-up program to strengthen these churches over the next four years. We praise God for the impact of these training centers and invite you to join us in training these pastors for the growth of God's kingdom.

Deeper Conference in Magatapalli:



We had a wonderful time at the Deeper Conference held for 100 pastors in Magatapalli. We were joined by pastor friends from Green Acres Baptist Church in Tyler, TX. The conference focused on discipleship, equipping

pastors to live as disciples themselves and to make disciples of others. It included a special time of learning from the Bible, which strengthened the pastors' resolve to focus on making disciples, not just converts. Please pray for these pastors and their families as they are sacrificing everything to plant churches among the unreached people groups of India.

CHURCH PLANTING NEWS

Revive Church in Hyderabad:

God is doing amazing things at Revive Church in Hyderabad. We planted this church on June 15th of last year, and by the Lord's blessing, we now have 70 people attending. Initially, we faced significant opposition in finding even a rented space to hold church services. We visited more than 20 buildings, but while owners were willing to rent to businesses, they were reluctant to lease to a church. After fasting and praying, God miraculously provided a rented space for us to start services. Since then, we've moved to another location. We've celebrated 6 baptisms so far, and we have 6 more scheduled for Easter.

Looking ahead, we're uncertain about where our church will meet in the future. We're praying that the Lord will provide a place where we can build a convention center that can double as a church building. Our vision is to see the city of Hyderabad come to know Jesus and to send out many missionaries to plant churches among India's unreached communities. Please continue praying for this church, as we're struggling to cover the rent for our current space.



New Church Plant in Mataram:



We enjoyed a wonderful celebration for the one-year anniversary of the church in Kataram village. In 2022, we trained a dedicated church planter named Satish and began providing him with financial support to establish this ministry. The village is predominantly Hindu, and nearly all the residents worship a local goddess, making Satish's efforts to share the Gospel particularly challenging. Despite the opposition he faced, God is faithfully building this church, and we've seen His hand at work in remarkable ways. We

ask you to please join us in praying for this young congregation, that it may continue to grow strong and reach more people with the love of Christ.



“Making disciples among the unreached and unengaged people groups in India.”