

Sefer – August 2021

Beloved Prayer Partner in Christ,

Shalom!

Greetings to you in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I count it as a God-given privilege to communicate with you through this newsletter, which is entitled as “Sefer”

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Love in Action

Praise be to God for giving me an opportunity to distribute some of the needed and useful cooking ingredients to the Gypsy community. Hundred deserving families were benefitted through this provision kits. Survival of Gypsy community people is very hard due to COVID-19. They usually sell beads and make some money for their survival. Due to prolonging pandemic situation, they are unable to involve in this small-scale business. They go to forest area and try to hunt rabbit, wild pigs, wild cats, and some birds, and try to make their living for the sake of survival. Since I am being given an opportunity to serve in the Head Quarters of Evangelical Church of India (ECI), I was blessed to meet these people and share God’s love in action.



¹ The Hebrew word “Sefer” means “book, written document, writing, literature” which conveys certain message to the readers.











This boy (left side first person) is the first-generation student from Gypsy community who has successfully completed his high school and began his engineering studies in a college. Glory be to God!

God is at work

My father Rev. A. Thomas has successfully completed his pastoral ministry for 43 years in ECI and got officially retired. He was honored by ECI leaders on July 19, 2021. His mission achievements were acknowledged on that day.



missionary efforts. We praise God for a

Rev. Thomas who has been an instrument in planting many churches and doing the pioneering ministries in the Andaman Islands is retiring after serving the Lord for 43 years. He served as the Area Chairman for many years. He has a heart for missions and missionaries. He has encouraged and motivated the church believers to give generously for the IMM Mission minded Pastor like him.

Now my dad has moved to a village and started his ministry. God is at work in meeting the needs to build the village church. One of our ECI believer has extended financial support to build this church in this pandemic season.



Even though church building construction is still going on, ministry did not stop. Three days special gospel meetings were organized in the same village church for the glory of God. This was one of the good ventures for sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.









Family Update

Evelyn and Shaan are doing good by the grace of God. Shaan got some new friends in the church. God has added a new year in the life of Shaan. On July 9, 2021 he celebrated his birthday and glorified God.



Prayer Concerns

Pray for the ECI ministries among Gypsy community.

Pray for the completion of the village church building construction work.

Pray that many non-Christians could be reached through this village ministry.

Pray for my pastoral ministry and teaching ministry in the Seminary.

Pray for God's protection upon us during the third wave of COVID-19.

Born to Serve,
Rev. Dr. Aaron Martin.