

Dear brothers and sisters,

we thank GOD for everything that HE has done and think back with gratitude to our trip.

We would like to thank you also for your support and prayers. Without you, our mission trip would not have been successful.

Our Father in Heaven wonderfully prepared everything. This trip took us this time mainly in the hill counties of Sri Lanka, famous for tea and rubber cultivation. The people who mainly live here are the Tamils, who earn their livelihood in the tea plantations. The majority of the Tamils in these areas are

Hindus.

There, we

visited some Christian churches, largely consisting of former Hindus and Buddhists. Our task there was to support the churches spiritually and encourage them.

So our schedule was very full. The local churches meet, especially in their homes. Some churches also have church buildings. A church has been praying for years for a plot of land. After many years, the local

government has given them a plot of land. This is in a country where there is persecution,

a great miracle. We were impressed that despite the high rate of material poverty Christians there are still hungry for God's word. So we preached the word of God in different places and churches. Some Hindus attended several church services. Later they gave their lives to Jesus Christ. God has not only given them new lives, but also healed one of them of cancer disease from the neck. To GOD be the glory

We experienced God's miracles in Sri Lanka in many wonderful ways:

- The Christian church was strengthened by God's Word
- Buddhists and Hindus received Jesus as their Savior
- Some sick people were healed by God's power
- People who were bound were freed by Jesus
- Many are willing to serve God and answer God's calling
- Many people were blessed and encouraged to have confidence in the Lord



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But we have also seen the needs of these people. The wages for a day in the tea plantation is 1€ to 2€. That is not enough to feed a family.

We were able to buy food stuffs thanks to donations for our brethren. The people were very joyful because of these gifts.

A family in one of these communities is taking care of two children without parents and they live in their home. The father was given the opportunity to start off their own business, in order to feed the family.

God always showed us things where we could help concretely.

After the church service in a chapel built of clay, the rain poured down heavily. Unfortunately, the roof could not protect the people from the rain but we were able to buy a new roof with little money. The church was very happy about it.

Please pray and continue to support this work in Sri Lanka. One pastor recently told us that a part of the community he lives in is complaining about him and his church. False accusations are always coming against the Church of Jesus Christ. Please pray for Pastor Robert and his church in the mountain lands of Sri Lanka.

The Lord is at work in Sri Lanka. This country needs strong churches that are firmly rooted in Jesus Christ. The harvest is plentiful, asks for workers for the harvest. The people of Sri Lanka need our help. They yearn for peace with God.

We need your continuous prayers and support for this important mission work.

Therefore be blessed.

Sincerely Matthias and Stella



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