## Malabar Mission Society News

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Christmas is a special time as we remember God's gift of love to the world. He came as an infant to live among us, to die on the cross and to rise again. He came from heaven to a world in need. In the midst of Covid-19, we continue to proclaim the Good News to the world in need. God's love and mercy continue to touch the hearts and lives of people. Through his love we have hope for today and for eternity. Continue to pray for the Pastors and Church Workers as they share the Gospel. Continue to pray for all who hear the Good News that they may believe and trust in Jesus, the Christ Child.

Covid-19 and its variants have severely affected all countries, including India. Travel restrictions meant that the Project Officer was unable to visit India for two years. Providing financial support to the Pastors and Church Workers in India has been difficult and because of travel restrictions getting the support to them is challenging. Thanks to the leaders in India for finding ways to arrange for the support in Malabar and Anantapur. God continues to bless the work in India.

**Malabar:** Currently most activities are severely restricted. Several Pastors, Church Workers, and members of the church and community have contracted Covid-19. For several long periods there were severe restrictions on travel that affected worship opportunities, family visitation and outreach to the community. This also included the reading rooms, schools, nursery schools and medical centres. Vacation Bible School, Family Convention and other gatherings were cancelled. Three new Pastors were appointed for Malabar. At present worship and visitation continue with limited response.

**Anantapur:** Some activity continues, including regular worship services and some visitation. One of the Church Workers died from Covid-19. In spite of restrictions baptisms, a church anniversary and other larger gatherings continue to occur.

May our gracious and loving God grant courage and strength to the Pastors, Church Workers and people of India. Thank you for your faithful financial and prayer support. You may send your donations to: P.O. Box 32045 Regina, SK, Canada S4N 7L2.

Yours in Christ,

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