



Christ In You

As I'm writing to you now I am in Delhi India, tomorrow traveling far to the east to the Indian state of Manipur.



This week we were honored to visit Haridwar, which is the name of both a city and a region. Our interest is in the rural region of Haridwar. We have now planted 26 new churches in 26 different villages. Four years ago absolutely no one in this area even heard the name of Jesus

Christ. Now there are 1,200 new believers!

We are working through our associate Simon Haqq here in Delhi. The pastor who supervises the 26 churches in Haridwar is a man I just met this week, pastor Mange Singh. He and his wife have returned to the village of his childhood and where his parents and many family members now live.



Simon Haqq on the left, Pastor Mange Singh on the right.



Pastor Singh's Wife



Worshippers in the Church Service

There has been a great deal of persecution. He told me on three occasions he has been physically attacked. Slowly there are new Christians in the area, and one of them is a policeman who sometimes accompanies the pastor during evangelistic meetings. The work is growing steadily, and it's very wonderful and exciting to see lives changed in the power of Jesus Christ.

As we drove into the region a sign said that we were entering "the land of the gods." By the grace of God we hope and pray that this will become "the land of God."



Worshipper in the Church Service



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My son Micah and his wife Jessamyn were able to accompany us on this trip. We were told the three of us were the first white people that have ever entered this village. We consider this quite an honor, and we were humbled by the hospitality given to us by this village church.

After the worship service we were taken to the home of Pastor Singh who gave us a lovely meal including a stew of wild boar that was killed in the forest.



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These 26 churches will soon become many more as evangelistic and church growth projects are underway. You can help by praying that God will give strength and victory and protection to those who proclaim the word of God.

Tomorrow I fly to Manipur to speak to the Poumai Baptist Association which meets once every five years. You can see the program [here](#). We expect a large crowd of people, perhaps 5,000. I would appreciate your prayers.

Yours on the field in India,

Paul Rains

