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January - February Report, 2018

Dear brothers, sisters, family and friends,

The rigors of our move and the preparation of the farm for sale resulted in my losing track of time. I knew in mid-February that this report was due in two weeks, and now it is already "the ides of March."



Our new home in Lincoln

We had planned actually to move to Lincoln during the third week in April, but several circumstances combined to make it more convenient to move earlier. Larry & Karen Boswell offered us the free use of their 26-foot box truck (formerly a U-Haul truck, which they purchased last year), so we moved the bulk of our belongings on March 9. We still have a few personal items and some general clean up to do at the farm near Crete, so we will make a couple more trips back that way, but our home is now in Lincoln. You may write to us at the address in the header of this letter.

The church of Christ in Lincoln is our new home church and base of our mission operation. They began financial support in January to complement the great moral support and verbal encouragement they have given us for a long time. The brethren asked me to begin a weekly newspaper column in January. The long-running "God Has Spoken" series now appears in the Lincoln Courier every Friday. It began in 1987 and has previously appeared in newspapers in River Falls Wisconsin, Jacksonville Texas and Harrisburg Arkansas. It is one of the offerings listed on our web site. We will include it in local papers to complement the work of mission churches in the U.S. and Canada. You may read each week's column at www.acts1541.org/ghs.pdf.



Farmers' market in Houlton, Maine

We have decided not to go to India this year but to use the time to promote our work among North American churches. We plan a tour of churches on both sides of the U.S./Canada border from New Brunswick to Montana. If you know any churches in this area who might benefit from our help please let us know as soon as possible.

Though we are not planning a personal visit to India we still send support for the widows and orphans home in Ibrahimpatnam and I teach in Krishna River Preacher Training School once each month via Skype. I also recorded a video lesson for a large gathering of preachers in January. The video



lesson was uploaded to our web site and the preachers watched it in Ibrahimpatnam. The internet is a marvelous blessing for teaching in our age.

I was asked to fill in as teacher of the Thursday night class in Crown Point the last week of Picnic at the Bay of Fundy with and January and first of February. The second class didn't meet because every member of it (except Andre Boulard Veronick Roy for Sybil and myself) had the flu. I had planned a 2-part series on problems and solutions in the church in Corinth. We got through half of it with profitable discussion.

Sybil's brother Kermit died unexpectedly on January 9. He was in the hospital for tests after falling twice within a few days at home, but was apparently otherwise in generally good health. His condition deteriorated rapidly through the day and he died just before midnight. Sybil's sister Reba, who lives in South Holland near our farm, joined us for the car trip to Alabama. I presided in the funeral with the assistance of local area preacher Dustin Brock. Sybil's brothers Herbert and Neil alternately led the guests in singing.



N. Suvarna Prasad teaching the students of KRPTS in Ibrahimpatnam

Our internet connection at the farm has been inconsistent through the winter. It was so bad for two of our Tuesday night classes that I decided to begin recording offline then uploading the recording when the connection is good. We expect to have a strong cable connection before the end of April, but for now I am pre-recording even in Lincoln then uploading on a cellular link. For the same reason we are limiting the class now to 15 minutes each week. A new class is still available each Tuesday evening. Search for it on YouTube or watch for the link on Facebook.

Speaking of YouTube, we have a second channel there. I still have the channel under my name, and have added the channel "Skyway Publishing" for the Tuesday class and upcoming

Bible lessons pertinent to the mission. Skyway Publishing is the name under which all our books and tracts are now printed, and CDs and DVDs will be published and distributed.

The mission VBS in Wisconsin that was scheduled for June has been cancelled. The church has been adding classrooms to their very small building, and that construction will not be completed in time for the program.

The record of contributions on this page may be incomplete. That information is kept on my desk computer which is still at the farm; I am writing on my laptop in Lincoln. If you know of inaccuracies please let me know. In any case I'll have that computer here next week, and will verify the record in the next report.

We pray for you daily, and for all the churches, that God will defeat the enemy and strengthen the faith of every one of His children.

In His service,

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