

# Patel News

## Agra, India



**Romans 10:15a – “And how shall they preach, except they be sent?”**

**March/April 2007**

Dear Friends,

### **Praise Items**

1. For the 7 souls saved during revival
2. The 4 souls who were baptized
3. The 2 men who were ordained for the ministry
4. For the continual provision for the ongoing work
5. For saving my soul on that Easter Sunday, April 1983

This past Easter, Becki and I were able to attend Faith FWB Church in Goldsboro, NC, where 24 years ago, she rededicated her life and I accepted the Lord as my Savior. It was a very special time for both of us as we reflected back on that Easter day service in 1983. By the power of the Holy Spirit of God and through the preached Word of God, we were convicted of our sins, convinced of our need for Christ, and compelled to commit our lives to Him. That day, our lives and destinies were changed forever for which we thank our wonderful Lord. We are grateful for the ministry of Faith Church in Goldsboro and for Pastor Dann Patrick and his faithfulness to preach the glorious Gospel, that sinners like me could be saved.

This past February and March, I had the privilege to travel back to India for our scheduled revival services. What a joy it was to see 7 souls trust Christ as their Savior, 4 follow the Lord in baptism, and 2 of our own men (one from India and one from Kenya, Africa) ordained for full-time Gospel ministry. Both of these men surrendered their lives to full-time Christian service during a past revival service and have been in training for several years at our church there in Agra. Rev. Dann Patrick from Goldsboro, NC, and his son, Rev. Lee Patrick, from Florence, SC, were our guest speakers. God used them in a wonderful way to minister His Word to our people. We also thank God for the others who accompanied them from their churches in the States. Each one shared his testimony of salvation. What a joy it was to have these men come and minister to our folks! Please visit our web site: [www.faithchurchindia.org](http://www.faithchurchindia.org) to view some photos of these services.

### **Special Prayer Requests**

1. For guidance in starting the new churches – one in India and one in Kenya
2. Wisdom in discipling the new converts
3. For God to call more full-time workers from our church
4. For our children and our separation from them
5. For our Juniors for Jesus ministry

We have just a few more months left before we head back to India. There are several things we need you to pray with us about. First, please pray that the Lord will guide us to the exact place to start a new church in a city God has laid on our hearts about 4 hours from Agra. Pray that the Lord will prepare the hearts of the people to whom He would have us minister. Pray that we would be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit. This is exactly what we requested back in 1993-94, when we were headed to India the first time. Everyone prayed, and the Lord answered. I am confident He will do it again. Secondly, please continue to pray for the efforts of the two Kenyan couples who will be starting a church in Kenya, Africa. Pray for Bro. Greg, whom we just ordained, along with his wife, Evelyn, as they leave the latter part of this year for this new work in Kenya. Thirdly, pray for the ongoing ministry in Agra and for the workers who are involved in this work. Lastly, please pray for our children who, at this point, seem to feel God's will for them is to stay in the States. Two will be in college, and the other two will be working. Pray for this separation- that God will give peace and guidance to all of us.

In closing, we want to thank the Lord for you and your love for the Savior. Thank you for your involvement in reaching souls for His kingdom. May the Lord continue to bless you and use you for His glory. “Be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as you know, that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.” (I Co. 15:58)

For His glory,

The Patel Family

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