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SUMMER DISCOMFORTS: We are in the midst of summer and in Chennai April to June are the most severe months with temperatures going up to even 110 F. Since Chennai is a large city (over 8,000,000) there is the added temperature rise due to congestion, pollution from automobiles, and heat bouncing off the concrete sidewalks. But this is in a sense 'normal' for we do live in the tropics but what is difficult is the power cuts. The electricity is totally cut for two hours every day to conserve a depleted power situation. In rural areas it's even more with some places having even eight hours a day without power. The government hopes the situation will change with the monsoon and increased supply from the hydroelectric plants and the commissioning of a brand new nuclear power plant. The latter's starting has been hampered by activists who cite the Japanese power plant's breakdown as an example of the dangers involved with nuclear power production. But we can cope as we have done for years gone by. And much more importantly we STILL have and will ALWAYS have the spiritual power that comes from the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. **WHAT WILL WE DO WITHOUT THAT POWER?**

MARRIAGES AND BABIES: *Our readers and supporters would remember that last year we had a spate of weddings. I love conducting marriage services especially in India with its colorful cultural customs, elaborate receptions, and special wedding foods. This year several babies were brought to the church to be blessed by the*

congregation as the parents gave thanks to the Lord for His goodness to them. The babies have their names

proclaimed for the first time by the minister (Leonard) and he claims no baby has ever cried while he was doing this.



HINDI BROADCAST – Our Hindi language broadcast which was launched in October last year has proved to be a blessing with responses coming in from far off places in Northern, Western, Eastern and Central India – from places with names like Kolkata, Ludhiana, Pune, Jabalpur etc. A recent response came from the Bollywood capital of India, the city of Mumbai. Pray for these broadcasts in all the three languages – Tamil, Telegu and Hindi.

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An interesting sidelight to the programs is the occasional call (about once or twice a year) where the caller condemns the speaker (that's Leonard) for being 'proud' and not showing the face and person of the translator. The answer of course is simple and deals with production of the program. We produce the program just once in the studio with one translator and the SAME program is taken and the translation dubbed into the other languages. Hence we CANNOT show the translator's face. Incidentally the translators themselves are highly amused at these calls for they know what is involved.

IN HIS TIME – He makes all things beautiful in His time, so said Solomon in Eccl. 3: 11. We prayed hard and waited a long time for someone to help with those who contact us after viewing our new TV programs. We now have a lovely young lady who joined our office staff from the beginning of May. She is a Bible College graduate and guess what – she knows and speaks both Hindi and Telegu, two of the languages we broadcast in. What an answer to prayer as she can answer the responses – phone calls as well as letters and messages etc. – that come in those languages. Pray for her and for her involvement with SWE.

FOLLOW-UP TRANSLATION - We are ready to print our follow-up correspondence courses in Telegu and then Hindi. This is an exacting task and even more so it is an EXPENSIVE task. Anybody who wishes to sponsor a lesson in any of these languages let us know. We will be printing not only correspondence lessons but also booklets and tracts. One tract is called HOW TO LIVE THREE TIMES. Want a copy in English?

WORLD EVANGELISM – It's not just part of our mission name, it's our life and ministry – reaching out to those who need Jesus in their lives. I will be preaching at Barbados in June for about a week plus – revival type meetings and day time seminars on evangelism. PRAY much for this and for the travel involved as I need visas for many of the countries I am invited to preach in.

THANK YOU for your prayer support, your encouraging letters and emails, and the financial resources to do what we believe is God's agenda for us. May His blessings abound with all of you.

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