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(Good Tidings)

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**Menno-Clinic
INDIA**

A Word from Doc

Subbarao V. Yarlagadda

“Aggi” crawls in as a beggar and walks out like Christ The King

A Menno-Clinic Story

One warm day this past February, an old man with very dirty clothes and a big rag around his foot crawled to the front of our clinic in Chiluvuru. He couldn't walk. He was a beggar and had no home. Our staff put him in a wheel chair and carried him up the stairs into the clinic. They opened the rag around his foot and found an abscess full of dirt, manure, and drainage. It took the Doctors and the staff several hours to clean and cut out the solidified puss. After several days of nurturing, antibiotics, and many warm rice and curry meals, the beggar walks away knowing Christ. He crawls in as a homeless person, and walks out as Mr. Aggi. He crawls in as a street beggar and walks out like “Christ The King.” This coming Christmas, the friends of Menno-Clinic should really celebrate Christmas.

Praise God! Many are being touched at the Clinic.

The story of Menno-Clinic is just unfolding. We have two Doctors on staff. We have two female nurses and one male nurse. Other support staff consists of seven people. It takes many people and resources to run a clinic. We see thirty people a day on average. Our staff started making home visits to the shut-ins. We believe in both physical and spiritual healing. A group of fifteen to twenty believers meet every Sunday in the *Lambright Memorial Chapel* to worship. In this day and age where people of different faiths are at war, our mission emphasizes peace and love.

Go into the World and Preach Gospel to all
the people.

If necessary, use words.

Wall hanging in a Church

A Word from Doc *(continued)*

Celebrate Real Christmas

This time of the year people often ask me about my Christmas.

- * This year, my Christmas came early when Mr. Aggi walked out of the clinic on his own two feet, touched by Christ.
- * I celebrate Christmas when an American hugs an Indian.
- * I celebrate Christmas when an American brother in Christ washes the feet of an "Untouchable" in Chiluvuru.
- * I celebrate Christmas when the 'haves' share their plate with 'have-nots'.
- * I celebrate Christmas when the rich empty their wallets to touch a life across the pond that they never met.
- * I celebrate Christmas in Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Your kindness, compassion, and willingness to share had brought us this far.

This love has to continue to flow.

This witnessing has to go on.

This walk together has to continue till it reaches the Cross.

This light has to continue to shine.

This story of peace, equality, and justice in Christ needs to be told.

The cleansing of souls cannot stop at this point.

It's up to you.

I would like to support the on-going ministry of Menno-Clinic, India. Enclosed, please find my check for:

\$50 \$100 \$500 Other \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Contributions can be sent to: **Menno-Clinic, India, Inc.**,
% Emma Mennonite Church, 1900 S 600 W, Topeka, IN 46571



Financial Corner

Menno-Clinic, India

August 31, 2003

Cash	<u>\$48,802.46</u>
Total Assets	\$48,802.46

Receipts & Disbursements

Sept. 1, 2002 through August 31, 2003

Donations	\$71,767.68
Interest	<u>401.80</u>
Total Receipts	\$72,169.48
Expenses & transfers to India	<u>42,428.28</u>
Net Receipts	\$30,741.20