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(Good Tidings)

November 2007



**Menno-Clinic
INDIA**

And surely I am with you always...

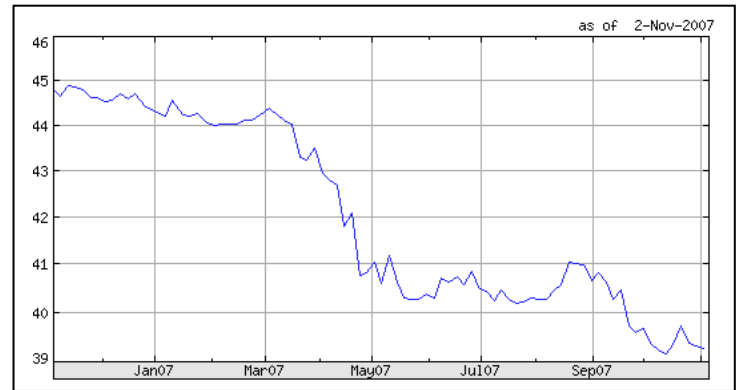
Doc Yarlagadda

Matthew 28:20 is that "blessed assurance" that got Olga and I involved in this bigger than life undertaking. Today, dozens of cataract surgeries are being done in our eye clinic. Hundreds of dental patients are being helped in our dental clinic. About 100 patients visit our outpatient medical clinic each day. Our church walls reverberate with the Gospel. Surely, our Lord and His people have been with us. Surely, the Christian compassion is felt across the oceans. Surely, the American generosity is touching many lives. Surely, we have kept our word to you.

While things are going very good, we are facing some challenges today. The dollar to Rupee exchange rate has been negatively affecting our finances and budgets. What used to cost us \$1 is now costing \$1.20. Devaluation of the dollar coupled with local inflation is negatively affecting our finances and budgets.

The Bible tells us that people without vision perish. We are very mindful of this biblical truth. That's why we have laid out a vision for the continuance of this project when Olga and I are no longer here. The Lord's work has to go on to the very end of the age.

The Word has to be proclaimed whether we are here or not. Christ has to be exalted forever. As you know, Menno-Clinic India has set up an endowment fund to ensure the continuance of this ministry. Please help us.



Dollar to Rupee Exchange

We used to get 45 to 46 Rupees for each Dollar. These days, we are getting about 39 Rupees for each dollar.



When we originally got involved in this project, *Olga and I* were new to Christianity. Someone implied that, like with any thing new, we were all excited and over the years our enthusiasm would diminish. He was implying that we would become complacent. We beg to differ. Our love for Christ never diminished over the years. Our willingness to take risks for the kingdom of God never changed. Our joy in serving our Lord in the poor never went down. Our enthusiasm for this project never wavered. Our passion to witness never faded. Our fervor to do mission work never waned. In fact, it's the other way around. The longer we are in it, the more and more our Lord grew in our hearts. Please help us to show the same Jesus we know to other people.

Contributions can be sent to: **Menno-Clinic, India, Inc.**, % Emma Mennonite Church, 1900 S 600 W, Topeka, IN 46571
<http://www.mennoclinicindia.org>



Financial Corner

October 31, 2007

Cash	\$2,277
Endowment Fund	<u>\$28,226</u>
Fund Balance	\$30,493

Receipts & Disbursements Sept. & Oct 2007

Donations	\$4,375
Interest	<u>30</u>
Total Receipts	\$4,405
Transfers to India	8,500
Travel	14,989
Operating Expense	<u>318</u>
Total Disbursements	\$23,807
Net Income/Disbursements	(19,402)

Tidbits and Snippets

Ben Hunsberger

The end of the year is fast approaching. By the time most of you will be reading this the air will be filled with the sights, sounds, and smells of Christmas.

In this issue we've heard from Doc on how the work continues to progress at our three clinics: Medical, Dental and Eye. This work is of course 100% funded by your continued generosity. Because you've caught the vision and passion of Doc and Olga to do kingdom work in a village halfway around the world, people are being provided basic health care, and Christ is the center of it all. As a Board we thank you and pray that you continue to hear God's calling regarding this work.

I wanted to make sure you noticed Doc's reference to our endowment fund. The blessing of the endowment fund is that any money given today to this fund is an investment in the future of Menno-Clinic, India ministries. The funds are invested with Mennonite Mutual Aids Praxis funds, so your dollars not only help Menno-Clinic, India they are also put to use in a socially responsible manner.

Two other pieces of information to pass along: We have a new website: www.mennoclinicindia.org. And we have a group set up at www.facebook.com; just search for "menno clinic india" in the groups section. Feel free to visit this group in cyberspace; currently John Murray, my eldest son Joshua, and myself are our only members. Maybe this can grow to include more of you.

And Surely I am with You *cont'd*

Not every one can go to the ends of the earth and proclaim. For each one who proclaims, there are several who stay behind and help. Any mission work is difficult. We walk a very difficult path and we chose that path joyfully, wholeheartedly, and willingly. With Christ in our hearts, we beg you to consider how God may be calling you to respond generously in partnering in this Kingdom work—please give! And it's not us it's our Lord Jesus Christ who appeals today.



Cataract surgery being done at the Eye Clinic

One of the 1st cataract surgeries done at the Clinic. Now he can see!

