

## **India Camp Meeting in Kaikavolu**

First of all I Give glory to God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son who is our Savior, and to the Holy Ghost. I thank God for His faithfulness in our twelfth annual Apostolic Faith camp meeting. I am Pastor R. Raju from India. It is my privilege to share our annual camp meeting praise report with you. On 17 February 2019, Sunday, the saints gathered at the campground in Kaikavolu and formed a big circle holding hands and prayed, asking the Lord to draw many people to the meetings, fill the campground with His Glory. Also that people get saved, sanctified, receive their Holy Ghost Baptism and receive healing. I thought we should postpone the camp meeting as we were still in grief over my father Daniel who went to be with The Lord, but the Spirit of the Lord insisted us not to postpone but to hold the meetings because we should preach the Gospel even when we are in grief.

We conducted our twelfth annual Apostolic Faith Church camp meeting on 18, 19, and 20 of February 2019. We had evening services and day service also. I am so glad to say that by the grace of God and by all your holy prayers, the camp meeting went so well. We enjoyed and experienced the presence of the Lord in each service.

On the first day, we started serving food for campers at 5:45 p.m. We started the service at 7:00 p.m. and concluded by 11:00 p.m. Pastor M. Samuel Raju prayed the opening prayer for this service. Then we had nice Gospel songs sung and praise and worship. I welcomed all the saints to annual camp meeting and Pastor P. Augustine prayed for the Word of God. Then Pastor S. Yesu Ratnam preached from Revelation 22:7, "Behold, I come quickly . . ." He also preached from

Matthew 24:1-10 on the signs of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ and the need to get ready for the Rapture. He preached for seventy minutes and then we all stood up and prayed and prayed. I told how to get ready and asked how many wanted to be ready for Second Coming of Jesus. A few hands lifted and I prayed. We concluded the service and people went back to their houses by auto rickshaws, vans, and trucks. All of our ministers had brought their congregations to the campground by hiring auto rickshaws and trucks. The first service did go so well. I prayed and sent all the auto rickshaws to their villages, and God took them back safely. Nearly 700 people had attended.

The second night, we started serving food at 6 p.m., and Pastor K. Jaya Raju prayed the opening prayer. Then Nissy, Jessy, Suvarna, Santhi, and I sang Gospel songs. Pastor S. Raco Raju prayed for the service, and then Jessy sang a special. I preached about “The Light,” quoting my text from John 1:9, Matthew 4:16, and 1 John 1:5. That Light is Jesus. The people were touched by the sermon, and when I asked them that did not yet have Jesus in their hearts to stand up for prayer, many stood and invited Jesus into their hearts. With tears in their eyes, they repeated the sinner’s prayer after me. Then Pastor S. Raco Raju prayed and we concluded the service. We give glory to God that there were 1200 people who attended the second day. I went to each vehicle that had transported people to the campground and prayed for their safe trip back to their villages. The ministers called when they finished, and all made it home safely on this second night’s service. Glory to God.

On the third day, we had a day meeting in our Kaikavolu church. We started at 10:00 a.m., and I preached about “Marriage and Family” from Psalm 128:1-6 and Colossians 3:18-22. We concluded by 1:30 p.m., and then fed all the people. Nearly four hundred attended and were blessed.

I also spoke about water baptism, because there were some people who received salvation during these two last meetings, and one young girl came forward to be baptized. We give God the glory. We all went to the baptistery and baptized her. We were praying in our spirits to see many souls to be baptized.

On 20 February 2019, the last meeting, we started serving food by 6:00 p.m., and held the service from 7:30 to 11:30. Pastor M. Samuel Raju prayed the opening prayer and we sang songs, having a praise and worship service. Then Pastor P. Yesu Ratnam preached the Word of God about the woman who had been bleeding for twelve years from Mark 5:25-34. He preached that Jesus heals. Then Santhi sang a special song and I preached a second sermon on “Spiritual Thirst and Hungry, and Food and Water,” from John 6:35, Isaiah 55:1-2, and John 4:13-14. I said spiritual food is the Word of God and through the Blood of Jesus we have everlasting life. We spent lots of time in standing prayer, and saw people shedding tears for their salvation and healing. I prayed a final prayer and then people went to their homes safely. Nearly 1600 people attended that last service. The campground was nearly full. Our young people helped a lot in parking the vehicles in a proper way.

We had many wonderful testimonies on the Sunday after the camp meeting. Altogether, nine women testified that they received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and six people testified that they were sanctified. Also, that evening, I received many calls from our ministers who are so happy. They told me that many saints testified that they were sanctified and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We give God the Glory. According to the final report, during the three night services,

thirty-four were saved, twenty-six received sanctification, and nineteen received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

All of our ministers and their wives with saints from their churches attended these three days of camp meeting, and the Lord was with them during their traveling. We are sad that pastors R. Daniel and K. Salmon Raju were not with us, but they are with the Lord. Sister Deena and my mother, R. Santhamma, were with us in these camp meetings.

We had very good food served to all who attended. Our men did such great work in serving the food. We hired a cook and team, and a few of our young women helped in cooking like chopping vegetables. They fixed the food and our young men served, with Suvarna's supervision. Many of our church people did much work for these meetings like cleaning the ground every day and providing water and placing mats on floor and placing chairs in lines. We had a grand successful camp meeting.

We thank Brother Darrel Lee and Sister Deanna Moen and all the Apostolic Faith saints around the globe who prayed for these meetings.

On Sunday I received word from our church in Durganagar that six young people were saved during these meetings and wanted to be baptized in water. I said to bring them to Kaikavolu, and we baptized them. Glory to God.

On behalf of the Apostolic Faith churches in India, I thank Brother Darrel Lee, Sister Deanna Moen (Mom), and Brother Bob Moen (Dad) for all they have done for us in India. I thank Brother Clark Wolfe and Sister Sumin Wolfe for their prayers. Also, the Apostolic Faith headquarters saints who have been praying for

me, my family, our ministers, and our churches. We thank God for His faithfulness in providing good weather and for all the other things that caused such successful meetings.

Love and Prayers,

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