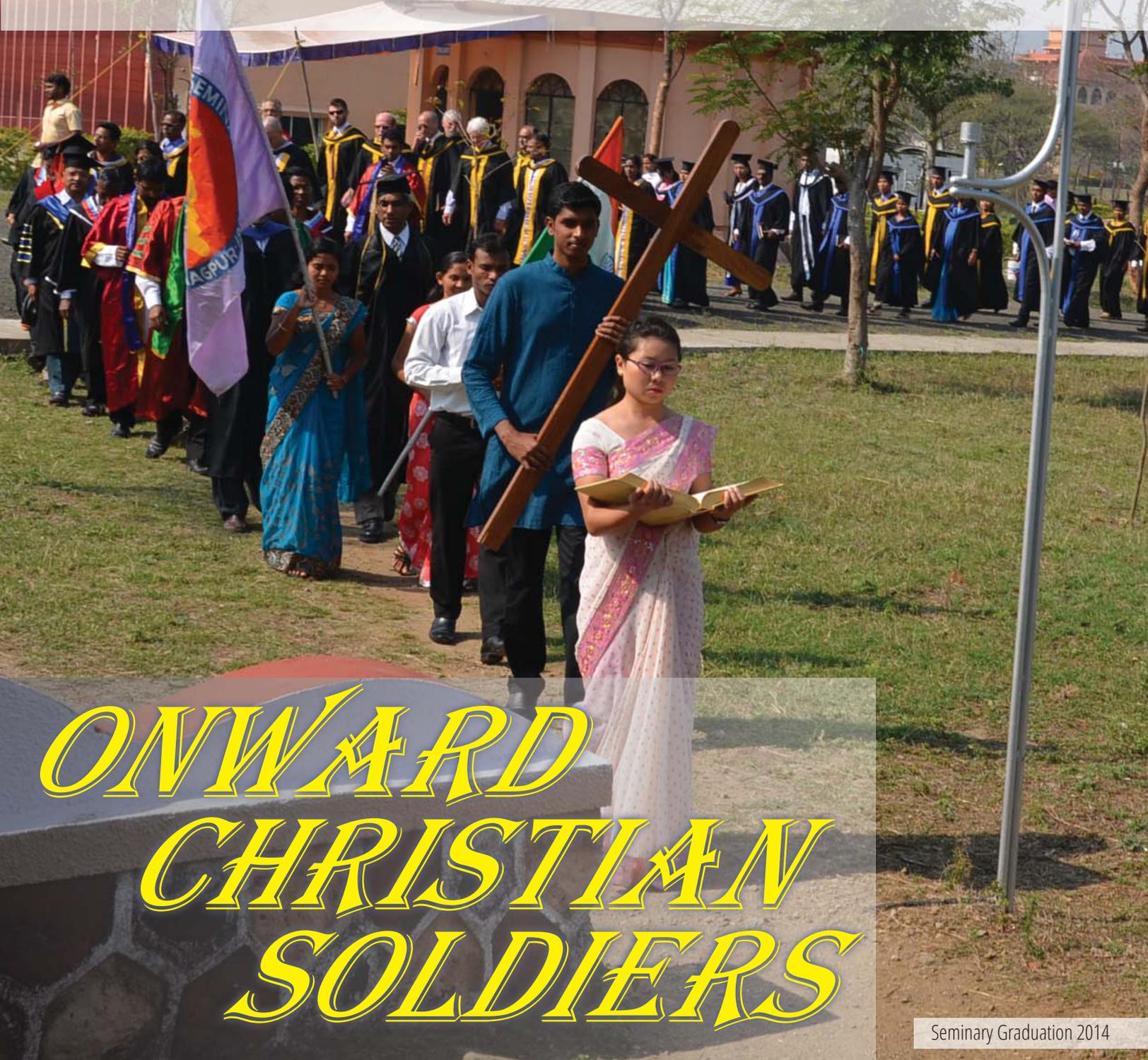




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ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

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"My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working." - Jesus

Ministry never stops. God never stops working out His will and His purpose of establishing

His kingdom here on earth. Between Mission India and RIMI, we are working nearly around the clock, partnering with God in accomplishing the work He

has called us to do in South Asia. Even now the admission process is going on in all our Bible Colleges. We expect over 1,000 students total to enroll in either the residential or non-residential programs offered at 27 Bible Training Centers in 26 States of India and Nepal.

BY THE NUMBERS

2,500 Indigenous men & women equipped and encouraged in India & Sri Lanka

307 Graduates

180 Certificates

100 Potential Church Planters

26 States with a Bible Training Center

After returning to the States, I hit the ground running, working toward shoring up for the ministry the funds necessary to keep RIMI and Mission India working at full capacity. From Iowa to Florida and many states in-between, we are tirelessly moving toward reaching more Churches, Organizations, and individuals who are like-minded, willing, and able to partner with RIMI in seeking to make God's Presence known in South Asia. As many of you know, raising the financial support for this ministry is a daunting task and seemingly never-ending. Please join with me in sharing with Christian friends and churches the

following **urgent needs** of the ministry:

- **Provision for the payoff of the mortgage for the RIMI building** in Lindenhurst, IL. Meeting this need will allow us to use the interest monies to fund the building of Church Halls or support many, many church planters. (We need \$160,000 to accomplish this. Burning the Mortgage Agreement at the Annual Banquet in September will be an awesome sight to behold!)
- **Provision for the General Fund.** Currently we are \$60,000 behind in our budgetary needs. Since we send 100% of the missionary and children fund to Mission India, we are falling far short of the Administrative needs here in the States.
- **Plans to start a Bible college in Sri Lanka** under the supervision of Dr. J.N. Manokaran (If you are interested in serving in Sri Lanka, please let me know-they are in need of English Teachers.)

If you feel led, if the Spirit lays upon your heart a burden to meet these financial needs, by all means, please prayerfully consider how you will respond. Your prayers are vital to the success of this ministry; please continue to lift up to the Lord all those who serve in the ministry, those who provide financially for the ministry, and those who will hear the Truth through the ministry.

Once again, we thank you from the bottom of our heart for your faithful partnership through prayers and giving. Enjoy your summer and be safe!

Partnering Together,

Rev. Dr. Saji Lukos
Founder and President



Eswari, Ravi, and Komal, prepare to graduate. All came through our Mercy Home program.

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I saw evidence all over India that God is advancing His Kingdom there. The Gospel is being preached boldly and faithfully and the mission of RIMI/MI is having an eternal impact on the lives of tens of thousands, probably even hundreds of thousands of people. May God continue to grant favor to these willing servants on this key mission field.

*Pastor Adam Fix, Our Saviour
Evangelical Free Church, Wheeling, IL*

Missionary Spotlight

Trilochan Bag



Pastor at Mission India's Nagpur City Church (Prarthana Bhawan)

Currently, my ministry has been comprised of working in three different slums, giving free tuition classes to 86 slum children, my wife Sumitra and I are feeding street children once a week, and also doing ministry among widows. I have a

small prayer fellowship in the slum where around 40 people come for the service.



My dreams for further ministry are many, as are my prayer requests:

- A common building where I will be able to continue to carry out the ministry to which God has called me: The Sachaa Udhaar ministry, job/skills training, worship/prayer meetings.
- Greater opportunity to provide children a bright future through education, proper nutrition, and clothing-basic human needs.
- Shelter for the orphans and widows living in the slums or on the street.
- Praise God for His provision in supplying clean water to those living in the slum areas!
- Please pray for those children who are suffering sexual, physical, and emotional abuse to receive the help they need.
- Protection from a Hindu group threatening our meetings and ministry.



Thank you for your continued support through prayer and finances in the work God is accomplishing through RIMI!

New Executive Director

Tony Raymond

On June 20th, the RIMI Board appointed Tony Raymond as the new Executive Director. He is reporting to Saji and will be responsible for the daily operations of the Home Office in Lindenhurst, Illinois, and communicating with partners and prospects.



I am the oldest of five children and grew up in Osseo/Maple Grove, MN. I made a decision to follow Christ at the age of 14 during summer camp. My wife, Michele and I have been married for over 15 years and we have a 12-year old daughter, Evelyn, who is being homeschooled. We live in Lake Villa, Illinois, and attend Hope Community Church where I am a youth leader.

I have a bachelor's of science in English Education and Bible from University of Northwestern - St. Paul (formerly Northwestern College) and an MBA from University of Phoenix. For the past 15 years, I have been doing project/change management for various companies. For the past 5 years, I have been working as an independent contractor.

Over the years, I have had the opportunity to travel to 8 countries on business and pleasure and spent a summer teaching English in China. I will be travelling to India for the first time in October during the Annual Leadership Conference. I am excited to see the work there first-hand and to join the RIMI Home Office team. I am also looking forward to personally connecting with partners in the days to come.

Saji's and Team Travels, Jul-Sep 2014

July	August	September	October	November	December
3-6 PCNAK, Lansing, MI	4-26 India	1-5 Dubai	1-12 US Office	1-23 India with Moni	1-2 Sri Lanka
9-15 US Office/Canada	27-31 Dubai	6-30 US Office	13-30 India with Moni	24-30 Sri Lanka	3-29 India with Moni
16-21 Utah					
23-27 Van Buren, AR					

Update from Jammu!

This past March 18 young men and women graduated from the Training Center in Jammu State, equipped and empowered to go out into the world and preach the Gospel, making disciples along the way. Pastor Rick Haworth was available as the guest speaker for the ceremony this year and he had this to say about his experience, *"I was deeply moved by how the students treated me with genuine kindness and respect. I felt like their pastor for the week. Many seemed more like sons and daughters as we hugged, cried, laughed, and shared together. I genuinely believe I left a piece of my heart back in Jammu."* Not only is the Training Center a place of education, it is a place where relationships are built.



Between the church services and the Church Planters in the surrounding area, both Hindus and Muslims are being reached with the Gospel of Christ! We need to begin the process of building a future for these people if we are to join God in the work He is doing in the State of Jammu.

Prayer Requests

- Wisdom and discernment in finding the piece of property that will be most effective in doing God's work, God's way.
- Property values are increasing rapidly! The cost for the piece of property we need is an estimated \$50,000, and the building an additional \$150,000. We have a

donor who is willing to do a matching grant up to \$21,000.

- For the 20+ students interested in getting their Bible Diplomas in the coming year-Strength, perseverance, and protection against the enemy.
- For health and the Lord's guidance for the director, his wife, their 5 month old baby girl, and the young woman who works there as the young women students' supervisor and helps with many other duties such as cooking.
- The Lord's provision for this project. *"Unless the Lord builds this house, the people labor in vain."*

For more information and to learn how you can help get this project moving forward, go to www.RIMI.org and click on "Current Projects" then click on "Jammu Project".

Open Invitation!

Are you or anyone you know interested in attending this year's Annual Leadership Conference? The dates: October 20-26, 2014, Nagpur, Maharashtra, India. This year we will be studying from the book of James. "Grow in Christ- Transform the World" is the theme. The cost of the trip is \$3,100 and includes airfare, transportation, food, and lodging. The travel dates are October 16-29, 2014. You will also have the opportunity to volunteer with the many ministries RIMI/MI have to offer in South Asia. Please contact Johnly Thomas at JThomas@RIMI.org.

Upcoming Events

- Annual Banquet in Wheeling, IL at the Chevy Chase Country Club (Sep 13, 2014)
- Annual Leadership Conference in Nagpur (Oct 20-26, 2014)

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