



A Baptist Seminary
of South India
Newsletter

Refresh

REFLECTIONS

From Our President's Desk....



Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus. (Revelation 14:12)

Reading through the book of Revelation could become a challenging journey as the road gets rougher with every chapter starting from chapter 6. By the time we come to chapter 13, the journey gets more bumpy and harsh and it becomes hard to endure. Right at this point comes a call for the saints to endure. The very fact that it is a call to endure, means that the journey may remain tough and therefore the call is not to enjoy but to endure. Why are we called to endure? What's the basis of this call to endure? I believe the answer is in the 19th verse of the same chapter, "the angel swung his sickle across the earth and gathered the grape harvest of the earth and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God" (Rev.14:19). So, the reason the saints are called to endure amidst tough times is that they are not going to be reaped with the sickle of the great wrath of God because they have escaped the wrath by becoming the children of God through Jesus Christ. This is a great encouragement at the beginning of another new year. No matter how hard and tough the times have been or will be, we still have a reason to endure because we are not objects of God's wrath, but of His love. All our challenges and concerns are nothing in comparison to the coming wrath of God on unbelief. When tough and challenging times come, we may slow down, but we don't quit, because we are objects of God's love, not wrath. This great assurance must inspire us to continue in His service. May God help us to endure as those who keep his commandments and faith in Jesus even in this new year.

We thank you for your partnership in the new building project. In the last issue, I mentioned about the work slowing down due to the non-availability of funds and solicited your prayers. The Lord heard our prayers and provided some funds in the right time so that we were able to resume some work in the building. Currently, the compound wall, plumbing, and drainage work is going on. We desire to at least start conducting classes, if not accommodating students, in the new building from the next academic year which will begin in July 2023. For this, we need to urgently finish some electrical, flooring and windows work on the first and second floor of the building. This would be the bare minimum requirement, for which we need Rs.23 lakhs (\$28,750) as soon as possible. Details about our building project and ways to donate are available on the 'Get Involved' page of our website or feel free to write to us. We look forward to enduring in the service of the Lord in partnership with you for another year. God bless.

-Simeon Sundar



Families of our Faculty and Staff met for a time of bonding on the 1st of January 2023

PRAY FOR US

- That the Lord may continue to provide the required funds for both the training as well as the building construction needs.
- For the well-being and faithfulness of our students, faculty and staff.
- For our alumni in different parts of the world. Pray that the Lord would strengthen and bless them as they co-labor in His vineyard.
- For the safety of our construction workers.



Our students had the opportunity to minister on different occasions during the Christmas season



Our building stands at the threshold of completion and we need your prayerful support



BUILDING UPDATE

To make a contribution please visit the 'Get Involved' page on our website bssiindia.org/get-involved

Partner with us by investing in at least One SQUARE FOOT, at ₹1,800 (\$30) per square feet

"All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for . . . training in righteousness." - 2 Timothy 3:16-17