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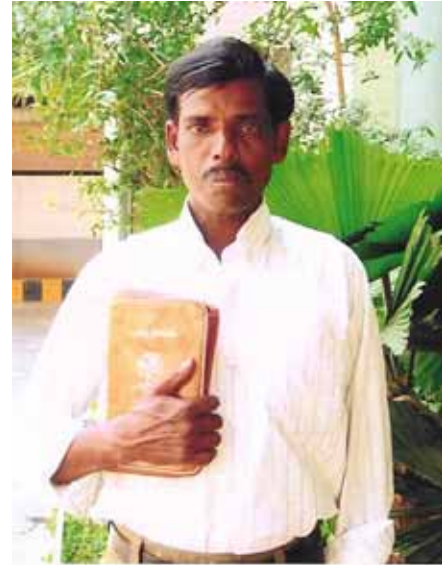
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THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH IS STILL WRITTEN WITH THE BLOOD OF ITS MARTYRS.

On June 3rd 05, with deep pain and indignation we received news of the brutal murder of one of our Pastors and friend in Hyderabad, India. Pastor K. Isaac Raju, of "Manna Ministry International", on May 24, had left the house to go to a prayer meeting, he was never to be seen alive. His body was found after eight long days, tight in a sac, with hands and feet tied up with a rope; his body was in advanced state of decomposition; consumed by the acid poured on the whole boy, to the point that the wife had hard time to identify the body which had become unrecognizable because of the brutal and merciless actions of nine assassins; seven of which have already been captured and admitted their responsibility.

Pastor K. Isaac Raju, leaves behind a bright testimony of faith in God besides his dear wife Satya Veni, his only son Satya Prakash and a church shaken by this martyrdom, the second in the space of two weeks, committed by the same criminals, whose leader said to be proud of his action.



Today, 2 July '05, I, Onofrio Miccolis am here in Hyderabad, India with Pastor Isaac Raju's widow, Sister Satya Veni, and with her son Satya Prakash. To them I have come to bring the greetings and the affection of the brethren, of the shocked and grieved church, in the western world. They are sad because of this huge loss and tragedy which reminds us all that: ***THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH IS STILL WRITTEN WITH THE BLOOD OF ITS MARTYRS.***

Together with Satya Veni and Satia Prakash, we have prayed and asked that God would grants assistance and strength in this moment of deep pain and that this new wave of persecution against the

church of Christ will stop.

Meanwhile we have also assured Sister Veni , (44 years old) and her son Pracash, that we are with them with our prayers and with the material assistance for the future of them both. We have left in the hands of *Pastor Sudarshan J. Komanapalli*, President of the mission: "Manna Ministry International", a sum of money to help set up for them, a small store for the sale of articles of first consumption, such as rice, flour, oil, soap etc. This will assure for them some income for their livelihood. We will also help to provide a future for the young man.

Once again I want thank God and you for the generous and brotherly partnership that offers us the possibility to answer with immediateness and love and come to assist those that are found in situations of precariousness and poverties in the various parts of the world.

From far and afflicted India, I greet you with brotherly love with the request that you will continue to think about sister Veni and her son Pracash, which you see in this picture on the right.



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Pure religion and undefiled before our God and Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions! (James 1:27)