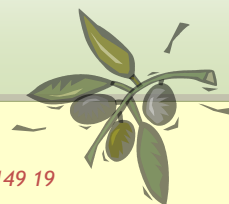


NEWSLETTER

THOMAS-COSMADES-FOUNDATION



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Dear valued supporters,

We wish you and your family a blessed Year 2011.
We heartily thank you for your support.

The Thomas-Cosmades-Foundation was established in 2010, a few months before Thomas' home-going to the Lord of Creation and Redemption. He died on September 20, 2010. For over fifty years his life as missionary and evangelist took him to many lands and continents. His goal was to reach people everywhere with the Gospel. Hunger, poverty, oppression; social, political and personal need confronted him in many countries. Seeing these needs led him to assist vastly different projects and missions. Through the establishment of this foundation, support to these needs can continue.

Literature

The New Testament - 'İncil' - in modern Turkish was produced in August 2010. Many positive responses regarding the beauty of the language, also from Muslims, have been received. Part of the printing was done in Istanbul, Turkey, and had been financed by friends beforehand. These New Testaments were sent from Turkey to the U.S.A. and Australia. The production for Europe was done through the Mission für Süd-Ost-Europa, Siegen, Germany, from where it is also distributed Europe-wide.

In 2011, the 'İncil' will come out in CD form. Four Turkish Christians - two women and two men, will read the whole New Testament. This project will

Projects

- Literature
- Christian Mission Charitable Trust, Chennai, India
- Projects in Greece
- Turkey
- Biak Hnin in Myanmar
- Computer Training Center, Mindanao, Philippines

The administrative and managerial work of the foundation is carried on without honorarium. There is only a very minimal cost of transferring funds to the designated person or project. The funds go directly to the projects designated. In 2010 contributions in the amount of 8,300 Euros (\$10,790) came in as direct contributions, some of which were designated for specific projects. In addition, 6,400 Euros (\$8,320) came into the capital stock.

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give the opportunity for many people to get to know the New Testament by listening to these CDs. There are people who would rather listen than read, and there are also those who cannot read who will be benefited through these CDs. The book of **Proverbs**, which Thomas was able to complete in modern Turkish before his death, will also be printed in early 2011 in Istanbul. The brochures that Tom had been writing, 'Parlak Yarınlar' (Bright Tomorrows) which deal with current issues, are printed periodically and distributed through local Christian churches in Turkey, as well as here in Europe.

Christian Mission Charitable Trust -- Chennai, India

In Chennai, India, Dr. Colleen Redit directs one of the most unbelievable mission works seen anywhere. For many decades this now 70-year old woman from New Zealand has been carrying on an ever-widening ministry with total devotion and faith. This project includes: 1 – a hostel for 160 girls. The poorest of the poor are taken in from the streets and slums. They are provided with a home, food, clothing and education, with a truly Christ-centered upbringing. 2 – Bethany School -- from Kindergarten through 12th grade. 3 – Vocational school where young boys are trained in mechanics, painting and other areas. 4 – Hospital – here local doctors, nurses, lab technicians, administrators, cooks, etc., are employed. 5 – Meals on wheels – about 500 people in slums are given

Projects in Greece

The supported projects are primarily associated with the Evangelical Church in Athens. **Helping Hands** ministers to homeless and needy, many among them migrants. Food, clothing and other needs are met, people are evangelized. **Philemon Corporation** runs a rehabilitation center for drug addicts and alcoholics, giving the opportunity to start a new life, beginning with their relationship to Christ. They are taught different trades and disciplines. Personnel are there around the clock. **Pastor Retirement Fund** is there to supplement the meager incomes of retired pastors. Such basic needs as rent, clothing, food, etc., are assisted through this fund. **Child Evangelism Fellowship** is well known for their ministry to children. Zetta Anastasiadou, a young widow reaches out widely in her efforts to make Christ known to children.

Turkey

The financial situation of pastors in Turkey is precarious. The fellowships are small, often with jobless members who themselves need help. Therefore support for pastors is necessary in order to carry out the many-sided ministries. Orhan is pastor of the **Agape Church in Samsun**. Along with his pastoral responsibilities he has **planted churches in Amasya** and other towns. He visits **high security prisons** and also has a **ministry among Armenian prostitutes** in Samsun for whom he holds a special meeting each Sunday. His wife makes refreshments for them. They also hold Bible studies in



*Tsunami Rehabilitation Project
140 Häuser under construction,
thereof completed to date 34*

one warm meal a day. 6 – Tsunami rehabilitation project. Thirty-five houses have been built in an area where the Tsunami of 2004 destroyed people's lives and existence. 7 – Medical care is provided for Lepers and those who are infected by HIV. 8 – Handcraft center to teach women to produce beautiful handcrafts which can be sold so that they will have an income. 9 – Children's rallies and camps in different areas.

A CD can be ordered from us, giving a full picture of this magnificent work. Also on the internet, you can click in to: www.christianmissionsindia.com

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their home. He advertises the church in a large newspaper from where he has received many requests for the Gospel of John. He **distributes literature** in the wide area of Pontus, and through his **website**, many read messages and the Word of God. Every week he travels many miles to reach out to outlying towns. Also highly involved in **church planting and evangelism** is Engin and his wife. Their aim is to start a fellowship in Cesme. He **works with students, writes and produces Christian literature targeted at a young readership**.

Myanmar

Biak Hnin is pastor of a church of 340 members. He, his family and the church are very poor. He and his family cannot survive without help from outside. The church also reaches out to **Buddhists** and could do much more if they had the funds.

Computer Training Center - Mindanao, Philippines

Günter Schelenz has been running a **computer training center** for some years for young people from Muslim families. He is partially supported by a church in Germany. The young people are trained in computer soft and hardware. This know-how puts them in a good position to find jobs and support themselves in the future.