

Mission INDIA and SRI LANKA

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Mission to Two Nations

For the first time, LIGHT OF THE WORLD BALLET went to two countries in one mission trip. This is LWBallet's sixth mission trip. We had a seven-member team.



The first seven days were in the busy city of **Chennai, INDIA** with our hosts *Phanuel and Presanna Robinson*. Our mission was to proclaim the Gospel while helping their ministry, Kingdom Foundation, to raise funds and awareness for their KIDS Learning Centre which ministers to special needs children. (Kingdom Institute of Development Service). This is LWBallet's 2nd time in India with our hosts.



Team with Presanna (l), Phanuel (r) and son Timothy after prayer overlooking Chennai, the 4th largest city in India.

Ashley choreographed a ballet "Mother India" which showed God's heart for India. It was well received and performed along with proclaiming the Gospel at:

LWBallet was showcased along with special needs children performing in two large benefit performances with about 2,000 people in attendance. It was a big production for the Robinsons to undertake, but a success for their ministry. And they wanted to create awareness of "differently abled" children, as the Robinson's would say. It was held on India's 64th Independence Day.



- ✚ Full morning dance workshop for young men and women where relationships were developed also.
- ✚ "Arise" HIV positive women/children group, where prayer for healing took place.
- ✚ Two large public school performances.
- ✚ Two special needs performances one including severely mentally handicapped orphans (below left).
- ✚ Performance and ministry in Kalyani Hospital Chapel with full attendance. Dave preached and a great number of salvations and healings occurred. The team followed with prayer ministry to a large crowd.
- ✚ Women's Christian College performance to a packed standing room only auditorium (below) with many salvations .



Dancers Alyssa, Amy, Sarah, Breanne and Ashley with special needs orphans.





The last part of our trip, we flew to the tear-drop shaped island nation of **Sri Lanka** hosted by Pastor Yoganathan and his wife Sheila.

We traveled 5 1/2 hours on continuous winding roads to the mountain city of Nuwara Eliya. The scenery of mountains, lakes and waterfalls were spectacular. This is tea country (Ceylon) and we'd see women tea-pickers filling their baskets with prime tea leaves along the hillsides.



Ps. Yoganathan and Sheila

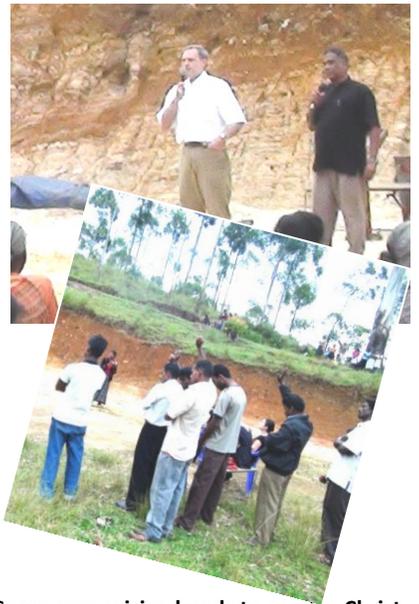
Our mission there was twofold: Encourage the believer, many for the first time seeing Christian dance, and to help with three of Ps. Yoganathan's church plants (he has over 90) by drawing the attention of the community and presenting the Gospel.



There were performances at Ps. Yoganathan's large church and at their Retreat Centre for a pastor's conference. Dave taught both times.

Then on curvy roads we traveled for hours to three different small church plants in Hindu-dominated villages. The villagers would wait patiently for our team's arrival. Most of those gathered were Hindu. The company danced outside on the dirt each time and by answered prayer the impending rain always held off.

At each performance, the Holy Spirit would break barriers - even those who would stand off responded to the dancer's "Healing Hands". Then Dave preached, interpreted by Ps. Yoganathan, with about 1/3 in each gathering receiving Christ. Most responded to prayer from the team for healing. The pastors were thrilled with the event and the response. Our team was blessed to claim back the ground for Jesus in these Hindu villages.



Some men raising hands to receive Christ.



"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news." Romans 10:15
Dancing in front of a Hindu temple claiming the village for Christ.

Our trip was fruitful and the mission was fulfilled in both nations. We are so grateful for the faithful prayers from those back home - we could feel them and knew the power they had as this trip with all its diversity and travel, ran smoothly and God was honored.

In the Light of Jesus, Dave and Pat Rollinson, Mission Leaders
Ashley Rollinson, Director of Performance

