

# Producing Fruit!

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*"We are very much glad for your sowing seeds that are gradually growing and giving fruits in the fields. We thank you so much for your great and powerful sowing seeds among the unreached! We really praise God because He is doing incredible work among the unreached!"* These are the precious words received from \*Pastor Samuel in Bangladesh. Every month he sends a detailed report with many pictures to show us the work among unreached villages in the Chittagong hill tracts. Even though we were able to visit Bangladesh and plan to again, we are not allowed to go into the hilltribe villages. **While we can't go physically, we can all play a vital part in this ministry through our giving and prayers.**



Long, arduous and dangerous treks are required to reach the villages with the good news of Jesus!

In September, \*Pastor Samuel and the ministry team had the privilege of dedicating another village church. They had been working to share the Gospel for several years in the Chowprin village. Over a period of time, twenty-eight of the thirty families in the village left their Buddhist and Animist beliefs and became followers of Christ. Worship services and Bible studies were held in various homes in the village, but as the congregation grew they did not have enough space to all meet together. Pastor Samuel taught them about working one day per month to save for building

a church. After doing this for three years, they started to build the church in February 2020. He said, *"All the villagers worked very hard even till night, giving their time, energy, and contributed as much as they could afford."* These precious believers were overjoyed to receive \$1,000 from a generous Global Outreach partner to provide a roof. They said *"without their contribution, we couldn't imagine completing it soon."* We also send \$120 for a new guitar for each new village church. In addition to the funds for church roofs and guitars, we send monthly gifts to



Dedication service of new Chowprin Village Chapel



Children's camp ministry

support Pastor Samuel and the ministry team. Most months when we receive the reports and pictures from Bangladesh, we shed tears of joy as we read the stories of so many lives being brought out of darkness, into the light! To know we play even a small part is very rewarding. Every dollar goes toward producing much fruit!

*\*name has been changed*



## Martha's Story

Earlier this year Pastor Cyrus shared the following testimony of one of the girls at House of Refuge.



Pastor Cyrus listens as Martha shares her testimony.

*"First of all, I praise the Lord for sending me to the House of Refuge which is the best home for me. Before I came to the House of Refuge, I was sent firstly to another orphanage home and stayed there for two years. But, I was never treated well and always felt sick when I was staying there. I was never happy to be there, and I was disappointed to continue staying there. Therefore, I always prayed to God to send me to a better Children's Home. Finally, God answered my prayers and sent me to the House of Refuge. Living here is much better than living in any other place I have ever lived in my lifetime. I am happier to be here than to be at home where I was born because I am treated well here, fed sufficiently, and cared for in a loving way. I am very blessed to be here. I am so happy to be here. I have become very healthy, mentally and physically here."* Martha, age 16

It is always a joy to receive the reports and hear the stories of the children supported by Global Outreach. From our visits to House of Refuge we are able to witness firsthand the love and care shown to all the children.

**"I have come as Light into the world, so that everyone who believes in Me will not remain in darkness."**  
John 12:46

This month we received pictures of the girls modeling clothing they have sewn. They were quite delighted with their creations. Cyrus's wife, Rebekah, and another lady were able to teach them sewing skills which will be a big help in their lives.



The girls are very proud of the clothes they have sewn.

Pastor Cyrus shared that the Covid situation is improving, however, the political problems from the military coup are escalating. They are hearing of more bombings, fighting, burning villages, and other violence and unrest. Also, they do not know when the schools may reopen. At House of Refuge they are doing their best to teach the children at home. These precious friends need our prayers and continued support now more than ever.



Studies continue at home while the schools are closed.