

India ... AN OPEN LETTER FROM MISSIONARY SUPERVISOR M. J. TIMOTHY

Dear Bro. Culpepper,

Greetings in the Wonderful Name of our Lord Jesus Christ! By His marvelous grace and by your help and unceasing prayers we are doing well. All this month the Lord gave us victory in our work . . . but the devil is still trying to destroy the work of God. In this area many well educated people are following "Meharbaba" a false prophet who calls himself God. He says he is the way, truth and life and that he is the only god of creation. However, we know that he is an anti-Christ. It is difficult to believe that intelligent and respected people will follow such erroneous teaching. His followers ask me many questions and the Lord gives me wisdom in answering their inquiries also this gives me an opportunity to tell them about the Lord Jesus Christ and His saving power.

Last week several of my evangelists went with me to a Hindu Mela festival which was held about 80 kilometers from here. Thousands of pilgrims were there offering flowers, fruit and money to their gods. Some of the wealthy worshippers offered ornaments and gold coins. During the festival they had a wedding to honor two of their idols which they call "God and Goddess". After the marriage celebration all of the pilgrims without removing their clothes took a bath in the "Sacred water" at the Bay of Gengal. These baths are ceremonial and a part of their Hindu worship. The women after their ceremonial bath prostrate themselves before a huge iron pole at the temple believing that this will please their god and that they will be blessed with children. (Picture shown at right.)

Our evangelists diligently witness and minister to the Hindus and many of them accept Christ as their personal Saviour even though it means hardship and persecution from their families. In this area where we are working there are 300 thousands inhabitants. Literature is very essential as these people like to read. We want to sow the word of God through literature so we are constantly distributing gospel tracts.

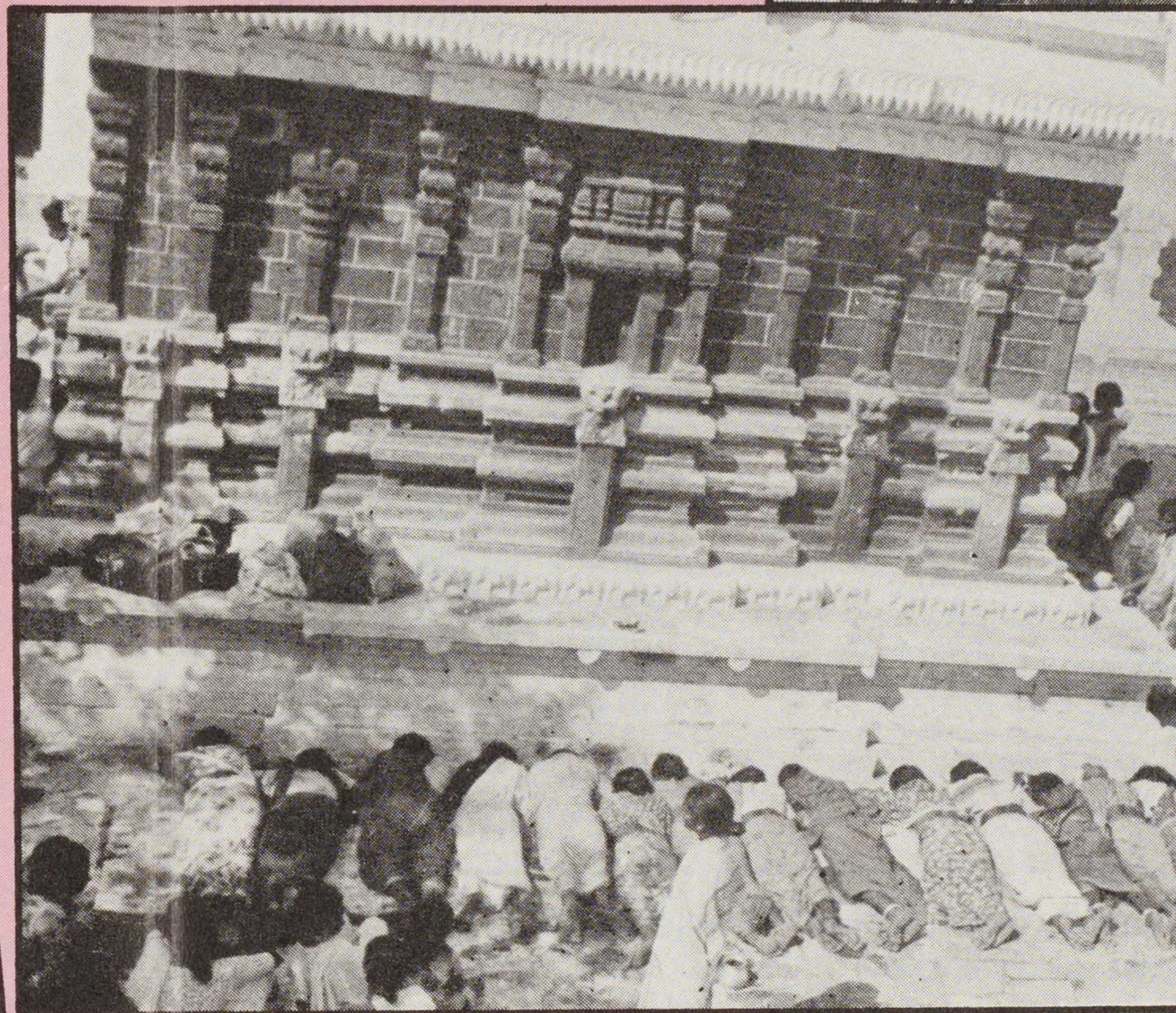
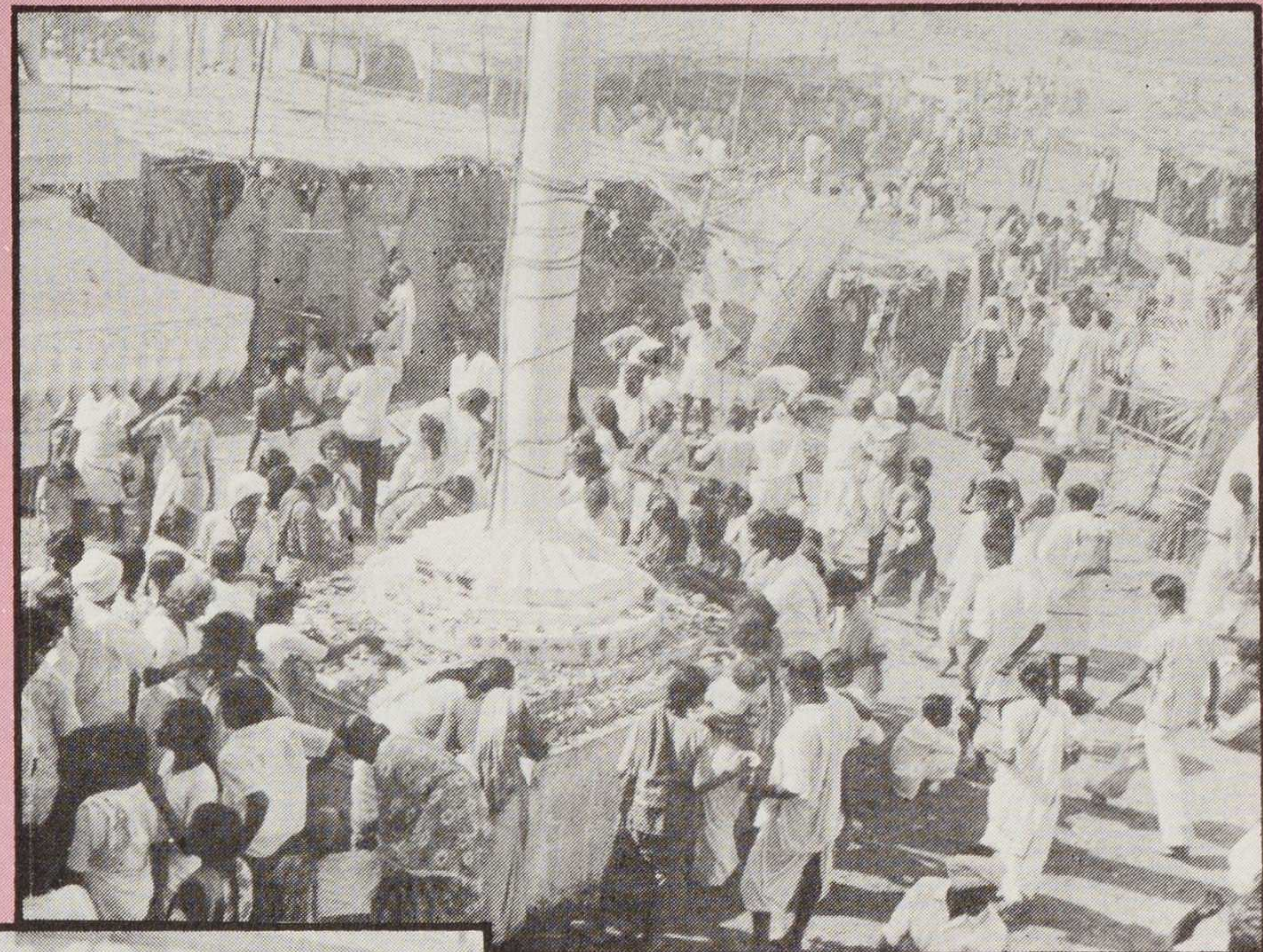
Brother Culpepper we are desperately in need of more workers and I am enclosing the pictures of four of our evangelists who love God and have a great burden to minister to our precious Indian people but they have no aid and no sponsors to help them. Will you help them?

God bless you, Brother Culpepper. Our loving greetings to you, your family and all of the wonderful people in America who make it possible for you to help us each month.

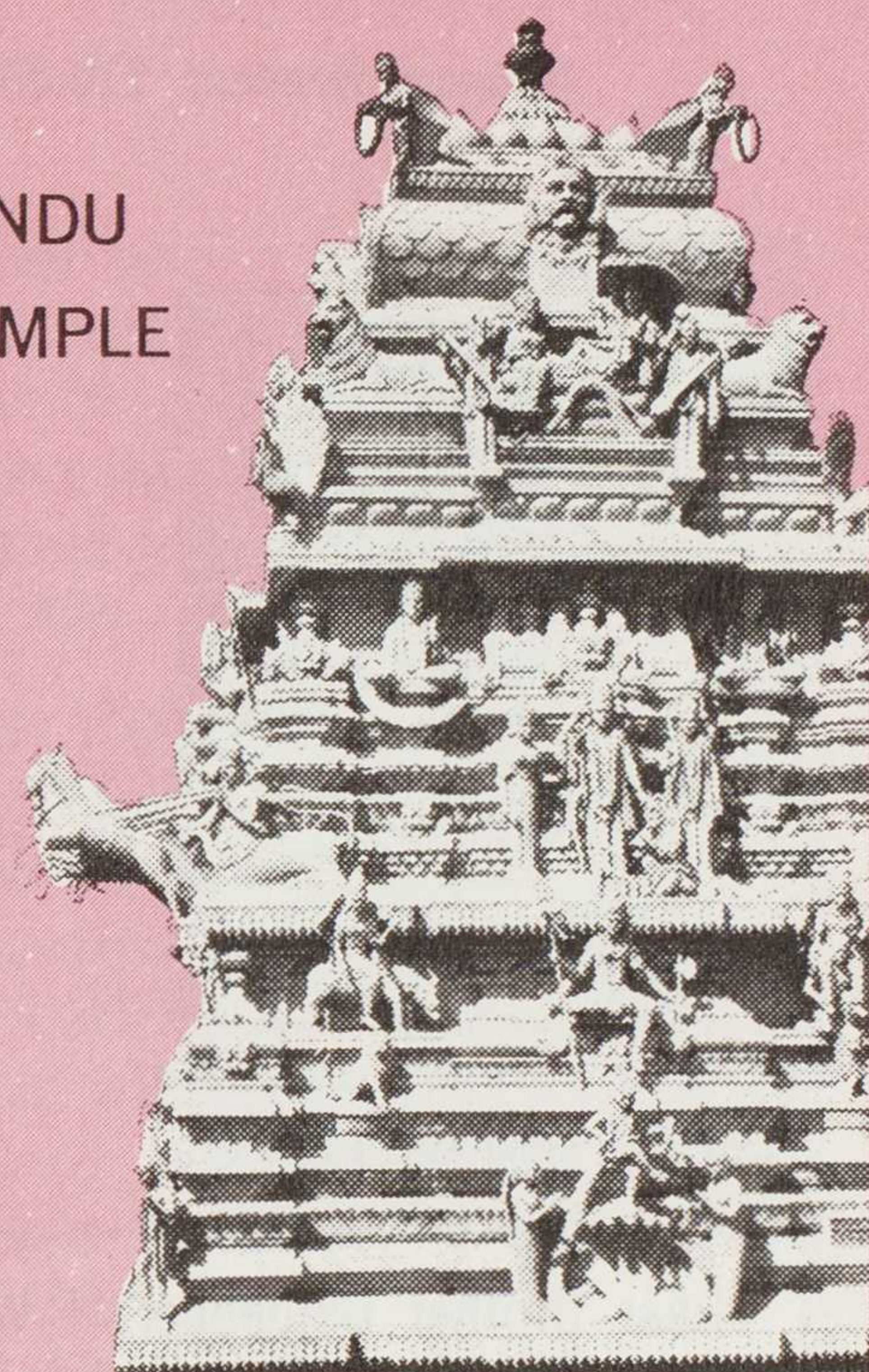
Yours in His service,
M. J. Timothy

Dear Christian Friend,
We want to support these four Indian ministers, (their pictures appear on page 10) but we must have help. Would you like to have your own missionary substitute on the foreign field? If you are unable to fully sponsor one of these men you may be a co-sponsor and send only a part of their support. We will send you your sponsor's certificate and a monthly report from your native evangelist. Use the convenient answer form on page 10 to let me know you will stand with me in this vital missionary work.
R. W. Culpepper

Pilgrims are shown workshipping and offering flowers, fruit and money to their gods.



HINDU
TEMPLE



Women (shown above) prostrate themselves believing that their god will bless them with children.

This Sunday School class is the fruits of dedicated work . . . they will be the leaders in the church of tomorrow.

