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Excursion

By Ram, HOINA student

Last fall we had a small sightseeing trip to Lambasingi, a small village located in Chinthapalli Mandal near Visakhapatnam. It has an altitude of 2500m above the sea level. It is covered with moist and deciduous forest. It has been seven months that we are inside the campus. Due to COVID-19 all schools and colleges were closed, and we stayed back at HOINA. Life was going on boring us day by day, but health situation at the time was not good. Now it is better. We had a plan for excursion at our leisure time to Lambasingi.

We had started early in the morning. Because our destination is very far from our campus. We reached

there by 8:00am. The scenic beauty in Lambasingi was amazing. All the places were covered with moisture, and we enjoyed a large forest area. Most the people living in the city come here to visit and relax themselves. We had visited waterfalls too. We spent a lot of time there playing in the water. Most of us love to swim and play in the water. We had a great time and enjoyed the water falling from the top of the mountains. It was a cool and fresh.

After we had a great day with a nice climate, it was a time for us to go back home. We had started our journey, and at middle we had snacks and we distributed food to

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While many of our HOINA children were required by the Indian government to go live with relatives, those remaining on campus enjoyed a small break from their daily routine.

More than Trees Thrive at HOINA

By Yureiwon , HOINA student

Hi! I am Yureiwon. I'm one member of HOINA family. I'm thanking God for giving wonderful opportunity to exhibit his wonders to you during these COVID-19 days. The world which is around us suffered with COVID-19, but God didn't let it touch us. He covered with his wings to rescue us from this terrible disease. I had several prayer meetings in this lockdown, which I didn't have before. Another amazing thing is I never missed a Sunday service. In the world so many churches were closed except our church.

Besides this, I together with my sisters learned many things without wasting our time. Due to being only on campus these months, we ourselves started planting. I learned how to cultivate. I enjoy a lot while cultivating. At the beginning to make the soil fertile it seems hard, but my hard work gave me satisfaction. My sisters also joined me to help. The ecstatic moment in this cultivating is the seeds which we had sown produce a small plants. Every day I together with my sisters watered the plants. The plants in my garden start growing strong. I'm waiting for fruits. I planted papaya plants, and now they are ready to bear flowers. I'm content with them. I also planted sour spinach (reds sorrel leaves). Everyone in our family had it many times. It gave yummy taste. I came to know that nature is best gift from God. Whenever I'm in leisure, I rush to go and see my garden to enjoy nature. Now I decided to continue a home garden when I leave HOINA. I came to know that there are more advantages of home garden. These COVID-19 days taught me a wonderful thing which I never expected.

Most important thing we learned is being hygienic and taking several precautions to hurl COVID-19. Every schools in the world were closed, so we took initiative and taught the subjects to the younger kids.

God gave a wonderful chance to pray for all over the world. He showed his love and kindness to us and never ceased his blessing on us. I'm thanking God for this protection and caring for us especially during these difficult times. And my special thanks for those who have been praying for our HOINA family. Our sorrow days are filled with joys. All glory to him.



Top photo shows Yureiwon's papaya trees at the time of planting. Photo above shows the author with a maturing tree.

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the needy. By the grace of God, we reached our home safely. We thank God for sending his angels to protect us. Everything went good because God showered his blessing on us. We would like to thank Anand Sir for being kind to us and taking us to such a wonderful trip. It's a memorable day in my life as this was first time to visit this place. In this lockdown time many people are struggling in many ways, but God has blessed us in everything we do in HOINA. I want to thank God for giving me beautiful family through Mom and my special thanks for our well-wishers and sponsors.



Above: Lokesh and Ramesh enjoy a refreshing waterfall as part of the field trip taken by the remaining staff and students on the HOINA campus.



Another Pandemic Hiccup

We learned after we went to press last month, that the Indian postal service had halted delivery due to the global pandemic. If you sent Christmas greetings to our staff or children and they were returned to you, that is why. We look forward to the day when things can operate more normally again. Here's to a better 2021!

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