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“Behold, I am doing something new” (Is. 43) Covid, Compassion and Creativity!

From churches to restaurants, from schools to non-profits, the word of the year has been *creativity*. To keep serving others has required imagination and an openness to new ways of doing things.

The best example of this: our partners in India! Led by God’s spirit of love, they have been amazingly creative, willing to do whatever it takes to make sure that the work of compassion continues!

Here’s just one example. What do you do when you have women eager to continue their training as tailors, *and* a whole lot of people who need masks in order to be safe? You do exactly what our friend T.L.

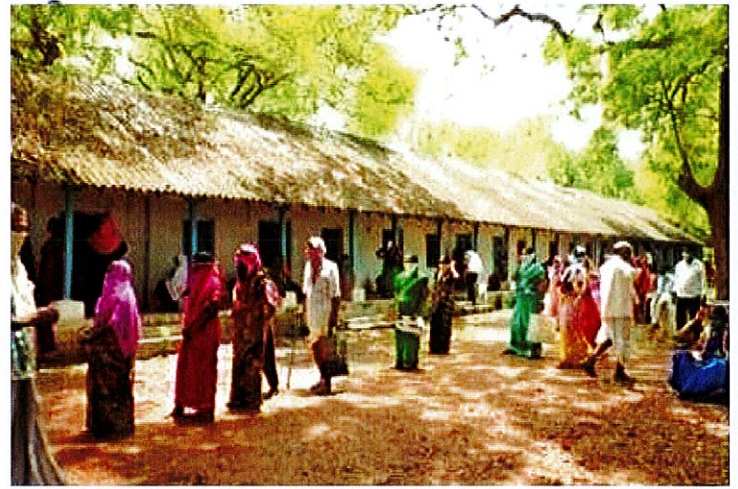
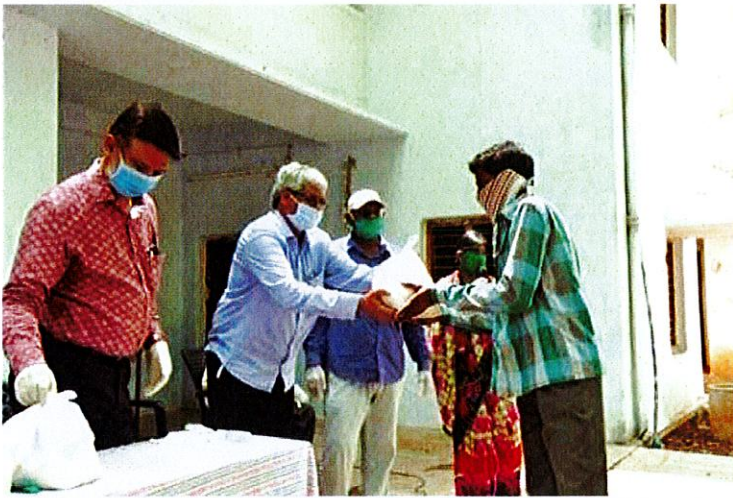
Reddy in Hyderabad did: bring the women together (above), teach them tailoring, and make hundreds of masks ... which are now being distributed to the girls and women we serve!

Your support in this Christmas season makes it possible for us to continue our caring for the people we cherish -- creatively and compassionately! Thank you for helping our work to continue!

In Christ’s peace,
David Rowe, Alida Ward,
and the FOCI Board



See page 3 for our special FOCI Christmas gifts!



Scenes from FOCI's ministry in these past months (clockwise from top). The staff in Khammam distribute food packets to starving families ... and the lines keep growing as the need increases. In Hyderabad, TL Reddy gathers the staff to brainstorm creative new ways to serve! And in a remote village, the white Jeep of our Rural Health Clinic signals the weekly arrival of the doctor! -- a true godsend to those far from medical care.



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We've got your Christmas Shopping List figured out for you!

A gift in your loved one's honor to FOCI is a blessing doubly shared, and a gift doubly received - here and in India! When we receive your order, we will send to you a card for each designated gift, designed and hand-drawn by a student supported by FOCI. The gift will be described inside, ready to present to some special person!

You may purchase a gift in honor of a loved one by sending us the order form below, with a check made out to FOCI. Or you can do it all online with a credit card, or PayPal account! Go to www.foci.org, and click on the 'Donate' tab ... and then the 'Donate' button. On the 'Review Payment' page, click on 'Designated gift?' and let us know which Christmas gift(s) you're purchasing!

Here are the gifts you can buy!

- Feeding programs:** Our partners in Khammam provide packets of food for families affected by HIV/AIDS and to the many families plunged into poverty by the pandemic. Each packet is only \$5, and provides meals for a week.
- Widows in India:** Caring for the "orphaned elderly" at our Faith Home for the Aged. \$15 provides a day of care for 20 widows in Gollapudi; \$100 for a full week of meals and shelter for all.
- Educating Girls** through our public school partnership in Hyderabad: Helping girls make their way to college! \$25 provides a teacher for a week, tutoring 10th grade girls for their college exams



I am giving the following gift/gifts in honor of a loved one:

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| ___ Food packets for the hungry: every \$5 buys one more packet! | total: \$___ |
| ___ Faith Home for the Aged: \$15/day, or \$100/week of of care. | total: \$___ |
| ___ A week of teaching for 10 th class girls, preparing for exams @\$25 | total: \$___ |

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