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## Trinity Christian College Graduation

Trinity Christian College (TCC) held its 14th Graduation Ceremony on April 26. Of the 29 graduates, four were from TCC and 25 from the Telugu School of Ministry (TSM). Why two ministries? I'm glad you asked so let me explain.

### Trinity Christian College

TCC is the PAOC supported Bible college offering Bachelor of Theology, certificate, and diploma programs. Training is conducted exclusively in English and, depending on their program of study, students are required to study full time for one to three years at the Hyderabad campus.

TCC graduates are equipped to take on future key leadership positions with the Pentecostal Assemblies of India (PAOI) church planting ministry.



Graduating Students from the Telugu School of Ministry

### Telugu School of Ministry

In contrast, the TSM offers certificate programs in weekly seminar formats on location in the rural villages. This means students can study in their own community without the cost of travel or dormitory fees.

Also, training is conducted in Telugu, which is the official language and mother tongue of the majority of people in the state.

While TSM graduates do not

achieve the same level of education as those from TCC, they are still equipped with the necessary basics and all become pastors with the PAOI church planting ministry.

We are so grateful for *Real Time Outreach\** (RTO), which has partnered with us in the church planting ministry by fully sponsoring the TSM.

\* For more information on RTO visit [www.realttimeoutreach.org](http://www.realttimeoutreach.org)

## Upcoming Events

### May 20

Opening of another sewing training center in a rural village

### May 30

Tony speaking at New Life Assemblies of God Church in Hyderabad

### June 25-30

South East Asia regional retreat in Phuket, Thailand

### July 1

Canada Day

### July 4

Independence Day (US)

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Commence home assignment

### July 15

Independence Day (India)

## PAOI Ordination Ceremony

On April 8 the first ordination ceremony in 12 years for the PAOI church planting pastors was held in Rajahmundry.

The fifteen pastors ordained have been in full time ministry

with PAOI for many years and minister at a combined total of 53 different church locations.

These men are committed to proclaim the Gospel message in areas of the state serving



PAOI Ordination in Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh

*"The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners." Isaiah 61:1*

the spiritual needs of people who are covered in the darkness of tribal and ritualistic religions, along with their abundance of gods and accompanying idol worship.

## Praise & Prayer

### Praise Report

We are thankful for the 29 graduates entering full time ministry.

### Charitable Status

TCC and PAOI are still facing hurdles to register as charities with the Indian government.

### Student Recruitment

TCC is conducting a special drive to recruit more students that are committed to work with the PAOI church planting ministry.