

**Application for Support  
from the Final Frontiers Foundation, Inc.**

**Personal Information:**

Name: Vishnu Paul pennaiah

Name you are called by if different: Nil

Your birthday: August (Month) 27 (Day) 1985 (Year)

Your wife's name: Nil

Your wife's birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year)

Your tribe (if any): Baptist

Your wife's tribe (if any): Baptist

Date of your marriage: Nil (Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year)

What is your nationality?: Indian

What country do you live in?: Indian

What city/town do you live in?: Bhamankuntty

How far away is a large city if you live in a small town: 189 ☐ miles ☐ kilometers?

In what direction is the large city if applicable?: ☐ North ☒ **South** ☐ East ☐ West

Your children's names:

Nil

Your children's birthdays:

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1 - Please write a detailed testimony of your salvation and call to the ministry.

**Testimony of Vishnu Paul  
Former Priest of goddess Kolapuradhama Temple**

I grew up in a Hindu family, devotee of goddess Laxmi and lord Ganesha, these two were my favorite gods, right from childhood days my parents nurtured me to walk according to Vedic and Bagvat gita teachings. I would help my parents in performing pooja by cleaning all pooja tools and the idols, only then they would enter into the room and perform various rituals. I would just sit and watch, as to how they perform, as such I learnt step by step how to perform poojas, thus I was attracting devotees right from my early days.

My grandfather served as a temple priest to goddess Kolapuradhama. My parents kept a close watch over me and guided me to take over the temple priest after the death of my grandfather in accordance to the family tradition, where the “Older son or a Older grandson” should be the heir to temple priesthood. So naturally I was the oldest son grandson in the family and they dedicated me to be the priest at the demise of my grandfather.

### **Being a priest:**

So for three years I served as a priest, during this time I fooled many devotees and would rob their money, saying that I had the power to cast out evil spirits. So the devotees would invite me to their house to perform casting out ritual. First I would analyze the kind of fear they were in and would plan accordingly and would fix certain amount as fees, then the devotees would agree and invite me to their house and I would go to their houses during mid night, when no neighbor would be present at that particular house.

I would apply all kinds of turmeric powder all over my body, hold neem leaves and I would hide a lemon under a robe and then scream at the top of my voice , to impress the devotees that I was filled with the Spirit of goddess Kolapuradhama. And would wave my hands in the air and ask them to close their eyes, stating that, the spirit will operate only when you close your eyes, in fear they would close. At that time I would throw a Lemon on to one corner of their house and go on screaming loud at the devil and command the evil to leave the place at once.

After 15 to 20 minutes I would keep moving around the house, then I ask the family members to open their eyes, when they do so. I would pretend to speak in Sanskrit language, when actually I was just murmuring some words which I myself do not know. Then for a while I would close my eyes and speak to the owner of the house asking him to go to a corner of your house and you will find a lemon and bring it to me , when he brings it to me and I show to the devotee and tell them, look this is the lemon on to which your enemies have cast a spell and threw it into your house. And I with the help of goddess kolapuradham able to locate where the evil spirit was hiding in your house. Now you be happy that I set your family free from the clutches of this evil. The family would feel very happy that I set them free and would pay me 30\$ along with a well grown rooster. They would with a smile hand over me the money along with a rooster, which I would take it to my house cook and eat it along with a bottle of liquor. This is how I as a priest was making my living. But never in my duty as priest felt any divine presence I was only deceiving.

### **Life in Christ:**

One afternoon as I was returning from a similar assignment, I met a co-passenger sitting next to me in the bus who was reading the Bible, I asked him what his job is, he told me that he was a pastor, then I told him that I am temple priest, he then asked me if I knew anything about the love of God. I said no, then he shared the gospel of Jesus Christ as to why He had to come down to this earth, why He died and rose on the third day. The pastors words were so sweet to listen and I took a gospel tract from and began to read and re-read several times all by myself, I even took it the temple and read it.

Then the following month I met the preacher under “Final Frontier” who again spoke to me from Matt 11:28, Lord Jesus Christ calling people with full of sins and struggles, this verse spoke to me and I could not give my heart to Christ immediately, it took me about three months to accept Jesus Christ as my personal savior by confessing my sins and believing in Him. From then I began to experience real peace and happiness, which was nothing compared to my past priest life. I totally stopped going to the temple, my parents would force me to go and open the temple as well go to the devotee’s house to bless them. But I told my dad that from now on I

will no longer open the door of the temple nor perform any rituals for any devotees, because I trusted Lord Jesus as my savior and He is the only true God who forgave my sins.

Then my dad along with his brothers beat me up and threw me out of the house, for three long years I did could not lead a normal life, because my uncle and his friends were after me. I took up a job in a Hotel as a server and remained there for three years, at such time the pastor who led me to the Lord would come and pick me for Sunday service. Later on I felt calling for full time ministry and began to help my pastor, at this time I was able to come across my younger sister and led her to the Lord, it was she who went back to my parents house and told them about how I was being used by the Lord Jesus, she told them how his preaching touched my heart and came to realization that it is only Jesus Christ who truly loved me and gave His life for me. Later on my parents came to me, stayed with me and learnt about the precious Love of our Lord Jesus Christ, then I told them, now I am preaching about the Love of God to all the people irrespective of any caste or religion, they wondered about my new found faith. Then my parents understood and felt that I was serving a true and living God unlike in the past where I was only deceiving Hindu devotees as a false priest.

I am so thankful for my pastor who led me to Satyam Baptist Bible College to be trained as a Timothy, please pray for that the Lord will use me to win souls, I am also blessed with Singing talent, I want to sing for His glory. Please do uphold me in your prayers that the Lord will take me back to my native village. My dad cautioned me not to visit my ancestral village with the fear that my uncle will kill me.

Pray that the two villages i.e. Persurampurahobli & Bhamankunte where between 20 to 25 people are attending Sunday service in each village.

2 - Please write your personal doctrinal statement.

- Believe that the Bible consist of Sixty six books and are verbally inspired, inerrant, and only infallible, authoritative Word of God II Peter 1:19-21 & II Tim 3:16
- Believe in the Trinity that the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit are eternally existent
- Believe in the resurrection of both the saved and lost; saved unto eternal life, the lost unto the resurrection of eternal damnation
- Jesus Christ the eternal son of God, was born of Virgin, lived a sinless life, died on the cross so our sins could be forgiven, rose from the dead so our lives could be eternal, and descended into Heaven, Return again to take us Home.
- Salvation is free gift through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 - Please write a brief testimony of your wife.

Nil

**Financial:**

4 - List your monthly needs and costs.

Monthly ration	Rs 2500/-
Rent	700/-

Electric and water bills                      500/-  
Travel to mission field                      700/-

- 5 - Do you have any monthly income, and if so, how much?  
Rs 600/- Through offerings
- 6 - Are you employed by a denomination? (Do you receive a salary from a denomination?)  
No
- 7 - Do you work any other jobs, and if so, what are they? How many hours do they require each week?  
No

### Ministry Experience:

- 8 - Please check the types of ministries you are regularly involved in.  
Church planting\*    Discipleship\*    Bible teacher\*    Bible translator    Radio preacher  
leper ministries    Open air evangelism\*    film team    evangelism\*    Literature distribution\*  
prison ministries    slum ministries\*    tribal evangelism\*    child evangelism\*    other (explain)
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- 9 - Are you actively and consistently involved in training others for the ministry?  
Yes
- 10 - What are the names of preachers that you have trained? Where do they serve?  
Nil
- 11 - Where did you attend Bible school? Who trained you for the ministry?  
Timothy project – Satyam Baptist Bible College
- 12 - What ministries have you been involved with in the past and where were they?  
Sunday school and youth activities
- 13 - How many churches have you started?  
Two
- 14 - What are their names? Where are they located?  
■ Jajur  
■ Brindvanhalli

15 - What countries do you serve in and what tribal groups do you work with?  
India – Yedratti, Metheri, Lingyates, Kurubas, Chaluvades, Kapu, Naidus & Brahmins

16 - How many languages do you speak and what are they?  
Kannada

17 - How many souls have you led to Christ in your life?  
127

How many have you baptized in your life?  
65

18 - Do you work alone or with other preachers? Give details.  
Vasanth Pai & Solomon Bijja

**Relevant Family Information:**

19 - Are all of your children Christians and have they been baptized? If not, please explain.  
Nil

20 - What is your house made of and how many rooms does it have?  
Two rooms

21 - What are your favorite foods  
Rice, Chapattis, Ragi, Jowar, Pickle, Dal, Chicken & Beef

22 - Describe a typical daily schedule.

- Morning lonely prayer
- With family
- Scripture reading & devotion
- Purchase vegetables
- House visiting in different villages
- Hospital visiting
- Evening cottage prayers

23 - Describe your wife's typical daily schedule.

- Morning personal prayers
- Bible reading

- Preparing coffee and breakfast
- Cleaning the house
- Washing cloths
- Cook lunch
- Visit few house
- Counsel seekers
- Evening prayers

24 - Do you grow your own food or do you purchase it?

Purchase own food

### **Accountability:**

25 - Though you will not be employed by Final Frontiers, will you be willing to acknowledge (when asked in person or in writing) that you receive support from us?

Yes

### **Summary:**

If you would like to give us any other information than what was asked for, you may do so.

### **Final Notes:**

Remember that we will use the information you give us to write a short biography about your family and ministry. The more detailed information we have, the better. Also, we will need four to five photos of your ministry including one of your family). Such information will help us, not only in finding a sponsor for you, but also for other men around the world who need help. When sending photos, please remember to always write an explanation on the back side of the picture.

Funds will be sent to you (once approved and having found a sponsor) on a quarterly basis. If your report has not arrive at our office by that time, your support will be suspended until we receive your letter or quarterly report. If political or geographic barriers prohibit you from mailing quarterly reports, exceptions can be made. However, we must receive information as often as possible to be accountable to the donors.

Please pray for us daily that God will equip us to find sponsors for men like yourself, in need around the world.

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