Love and greetings from James. It is really much encouraging that friends are taking keen interest in motivating the Parish to support our activities here for the poor and the downtrodden. I opened the Meckenheim Website where I read: "..die Sternsinger in der Pfarreiengemeinschft Meckenheim haben ein Recordergebnis erzielt. Die mehr als 200 Kinder und Jugendliche sammelten rund 35.000 Euro". Congratulations!! Of course for India and Kumasi/ Ghana. Please convey my special thanks through next issue of "PERSPEKTIVEN" for this generous gesture of all the residents of Stadt Meckenheim, the youth and the 'Sternsingern" and their organizing Team. Of course a special thanks to Pfarrer Reinhold Malcherek and his Team.

When Germany is facing the problem of "migrants", India is facing the threat of communal and extremist elements as well as of terrorist groups here and there, all in the name of religion, Caste etc. Let us hope that the YEAR OF MERCY will change the heart of the blind folded extremists.

Hope you are keeping fine. In this State (Bundesland) of Maharashtra, generally, there is a peaceful atmosphere. Weather at present is cool. The children whom we take care of are happy.

With love and regards

James (Pater) cmi