

Well Dedication Report

Name of Pastor: Vijay Arnakonda
 Number of Believers: 150
 Name of the Church: Indian Fellowship Church
 Name of Village: Wani
 Name of Region: Wani
 Name of State: Maharashtra
 Date of Dedication: December 3, 2023
 Name of Donor: Northwest Christian Church, USA



Background of the Pastor & Village:

"My name is Vijay Arnakonda, and I hail from Ghugus. I share my transformation journey from a life steeped in worldly pleasures to becoming a vessel of God's grace. Born into a Christian family that was more nominal than devout, I found myself drowning in bad habits, including alcohol consumption, engaging in fights within society, and being part of unruly gangs. In 1998, Pastor Deepak Kankam crossed paths with me. Despite my rebellious and short-tempered nature, he persistently shared the love of Christ with me. Reluctantly, I began to feel the need to break free from my destructive habits. I asked the pastor to teach me more about the Lord, leading to a transformative experience during a youth meeting in Nagpur the same year. Despite this initial change, I succumbed to my old habits. In 2005, a life-altering accident brought me face to face with the fragility of life. The near-death experience served as a wake-up call. Pastor Deepak once again reminded me of God's love, urging me to give my life to Jesus and commit to ministry. This time, I was determined and followed the pastor's guidance. The Lord led me to Wani, where I planted a church that has blessed many. Approximately 150 believers gather by God's grace, with 110 being baptized. There was a water shortage in that village. People had to walk long distances to get fresh water. During summers, the village wells dry up. This results in a daily struggle to obtain water. Our church prayed for the provision of a well. We thank **Northwest Christian Church and IGL** for this provision."

Dedication Service:

Praising God for His divine provision, water well was dedicated on December 3, 2023, in Wani, under the ministry of Pastor Vijay Arnakonda. The joyous occasion witnessed the presence of around 110 believers. Pastor Stephen Sundilla, the zonal coordinator, officiated the dedication, emphasizing the importance of impacting lives holistically and meeting physical and spiritual needs. Believers were encouraged to seize every opportunity to witness Christ, echoing Jesus' outreach to the Samaritan woman at the well. Pastor Vijay Arnakonda expressed gratitude to God for providing this essential resource and thanked President Dr. Samuel D. Stephens for his care and keen interest in fulfilling the needs of grassroots pastors. He assured that the water well would be accessible to everyone in the community, fostering connections that open doors to share the gospel. The dedication ceremony concluded with praises to God for His excellent provision, symbolizing not only a source of water but also a conduit for spiritual nourishment and community outreach.

