

LET US ALSO GO, THAT WE MAY DIE WITH HIM John 11:16

APOSTLE

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Dear Friends and Benefactors,

Do not you say: There are yet four months, and then the harvest cometh? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes, and see the countries. For they are white already to harvest. . Jn4 v.35

Having just arrived in India after saying goodbye to Father Patrick Summers (the new Headmaster of St. Michael's School in Great Britain), it seems as if these words of Our Lord Jesus Christ could not be more fittingly applied than to this beautiful country. The work of Father Summers, his confreres, his predecessors and many devout faithful has left a rich harvest within this vast and predominantly pagan sub-continent, a harvest left for others to reap. While the temptation might be to assess the harvest by the size, the number and the beauty of its buildings, or perhaps by the grandeur of the liturgy and the size of the attendant congregations, the only true measure, of course, is the piety of the faithful. Indeed, the material inheritance is extraordinarily rich: a priory and four chapels have been built, one is near completion, work will soon commence on the new junior school, and a truly grandiose project is underway to build an orphanage in conjunction with the Society of Servi Domini. This material splendour, however, counts for nothing besides the beauty of a single soul ordered to God; and it is in this that my heart rejoices above all, for the reverence and piety of the faithful, their dignity and the delicacy, are truly an inspiration and an example to follow. May God grant that this apostolate continue to grow and prosper in grace so much so that these words of Our Lord may also be realised one day in His priests: *And he that reapeth receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life everlasting: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together*. Jn. 4v.36.

In Jesu et Maria, Father Robert Brucciani



The Missionary Priests of India. Fr. Valan Rajakumar, Fr. Robert Brucciani, Fr. Daniel Couture (District Superior), Fr. Joseph Pfeiffer, and Father Francis Chazal