



Mr R. Greenfield – 1939 (Edition 1)

Early in 1939 Mr Ronald Greenfield who was commended by assemblies at Nelson Street, Hastings, and Queen Street, Palmerston North, went out to India to join Mr Ebenezer Lynn, an elderly missionary from England. He married Miss Everall Chandler, who had also gone out from Palmerston North, in January 1940, and they continued at Kollegal in open air preaching, village visitation and the distribution of literature at festivals. Having learnt Kanarese they encouraged the young men to go out with them and enjoyed fellowship with local evangelists.

In 1943 they moved to Diddapura to help Mr and Mrs Perkins at the orphanage owing to their ill health and the following year returned to Kollegal. There they had an active time camping out with Indian evangelists and distributing literature at temples, festivals and at fire walking and other heathen ceremonies.

In 1951 Mr Greenfield had the responsibility of the printing press at Bangalore while Mr Rowland Hill from U.S.A. was on furlough and subsequently continued in that work for the following three years. The Scripture Literature Press at that time produced quite a number of Scripture portions for the S.G.M. The "Reason Why" was translated into Kanarese and printed and regular papers for children were produced also in Kanarese. During their stay in Bangalore Mr and Mrs Greenfield had opportunity to help with the Kanarese work in the city.

They returned home to New Zealand in 1954 and with their own children set up a home for missionaries' children at the Otaki Children's Home. The following year they assumed responsibility for the distribution of Emmaus Bible Course in New Zealand. They continued that ministry for some ten or more years in a part time capacity at Ohau until the office was transferred to Wellington when Mr Greenfield continued in secular work in the Levin area.

[Source entry has a photo captioned 'Mr and Mrs Greenfield and family. Photo circa 1950.']