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INDIA – Kashmir Jammu



## Dear Friends and Supporters,

It is now several years since SB-Foundation supported a small, struggling Christian congregation in the mostly Muslim region of Kashmir. The support consisted of a "sheep project" by which a poor family received ten sheep and, when these lambed, was required to hand over the first



few lambs to another family so the project could perpetuate itself as well as a project to train young women to sew and spin on sewing machines and spinning wheels donated by SB-Foundation. Despite the time-lapse, we occasionally receive nice messages about the expansion of the congregation. Here (image above) are a couple of photos of the Christmas celebration in the winter capital of Jammu. The summer capital is Srinagar. Kashmir is one of the rare locales, where there are regional winter and summer capitals. The reason for the division is that during the winter season it is often more or less impossible to travel between these two cities, since Srinagar is cut off from the outside world to a greater extent than Jammu. The pictures (below) show basket production in Srinagar. Coal embers are placed in the baskets under a broad hood (cape), exuding heat on frigid days, which are frequent as the city lies 1,585 meters above sea level.







Greetings from Stiftelsen Brödet /SB Foundation through the Board, Arne, Elisabeth, Gloria, Ivar, Lena, Roger

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