

# ELIXIR MIME

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**“Working with the community for the community.”**

**Three Day Mime/Storytelling Workshop at the Pandita Ramabai Mukti Mission outside of Pune, India (150 kms from Mumbai)**



Some 300 children attended our 3 day mime/storytelling workshop held in their spacious church built in 1898.



**Above**—acting out the story of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden.



Bring a character to life using make up.

We had the privilege to hold the Elixir Mime workshop at the Pandita Ramabai Mukti Mission. This was the first time we had done a workshop for so many children at once. Many valuable lessons were gained which we will be able to apply for future sessions. As you may know, the Mukti Mission has a rich heritage and legacy given to it by its founder Pandita Ramabai (1858-1922). Pandita played a key role in obtaining rights for women in India. See their website: [http://www.mukti-mission.org/mukti/About\\_Mukti.htm](http://www.mukti-mission.org/mukti/About_Mukti.htm) On the last day, each house performed a Bible story to show the acting skills that they had learned. We hope to follow up this workshop with those most interested by forming an acting club.



**Above**—acting out the David and Goliath story.



The children had fun moving in actions with music & acting out stories.



Our Marathi translator critiquing the girls' performance.



**Above**— The girls singing a song to end their parable performance.



Acting out the parable of the Ten Wise/Foolish Virgins



Peter giving an inspirational speech on the life of Pandita Ramabai to the staff of the Mukti Mission.

Please let us know if you would like to help in any way with our community projects. Thank you very much! Please contact us at e-mail: [new2mailbox@yahoo.com](mailto:new2mailbox@yahoo.com)





**Above**— the room of Pandita Ramabai. The cutout shows her actual size.



Pandita used this wagon to travel and help needy children and those in distress.



**Above**— “Here is our mama,” these children said, pointing to Pandita’s picture.



**Above**—preparing chapattis for dinner.

**Above and Right**—The Prayer Tower.



Pandita’s favorite quote.



The Mukti Mission grows their own grains.



**Left**—Blind senior ladies weaving baskets as Bible passages are read in Marathi from Pandita’s translation.

**Above and bottom right**—All the women are happily busy working, cleaning, or cooking.

