

Right Hand Ministries

“Then the King will say to those on His RIGHT HAND, ‘Come, you who are blessed of My Father... for I was hungry and you gave Me food, thirsty and you gave Me drink, a stranger and you took Me in, naked and you clothed Me, sick and you visited Me, in prison and you came to Me.’”

Matthew 25:34-36



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HOPE SCHOOL & UPCOMING TRIP

Many of you already know that the Lord has done a great wonder in regard to our HOPE School. We have asked you to pray with us about finishing our HOPE building construction, especially the upstairs school part, before the next academic school year begins in June. We're estimating the cost to be about \$20,000 to finish out 6 classrooms and add some bathrooms (roof slab, columns and some walls already there, but not plastered, painted, etc). They've had the funds since September to construct the last compound wall, but because of excessive rains and a muddy road leading to HOPE, nothing's been done. Finally, although there was much opposition from unreasonable neighbors, a new paved road was finished on Christmas Day. Thank You Father for yet another gift that we don't deserve! On December 27th, a check was handed to me for \$20,000!! I'll say it again: *“O Lord, You are my God! I (we) will exalt You; I will give thanks to Your Name. For You have worked wonders, plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness!”* Isaiah 25:1 We had peace that somehow the Lord would help us to finish this school before June, because HE put it on our heart to expand the school to reach out to other children in the community, and what an encouragement that He is guiding!

Lin and Jennifer, a couple of friends from western Oklahoma, and myself are scheduled to leave for India on Jan. 25th. Jennifer is planning to stay almost 4 weeks, while Lin is scheduled for about 3 months! Long time for first time visitors, and they're excited to get started. Please pray for the Lord's protection, provision, guidance, healing and anointing upon us during this time (and anything else he brings to your heart). We're not there for an adventure, but to impact lives in a way that brings lasting fruit. That's our



PROFILES OF THE HOPE NEST



Sindhu (9-12-96): Sindhu came into the home in 2000. The father died due to heavy drinking; mother later abandoned her. She came back for Sindhu, but she wouldn't leave HOPE. She has a very sensitive heart; Jesus will use her to minister mercy. In 10th grade.



Ratna Babu (7-24-03): His father was an alcoholic and abusing the mother & Ratna Babu. Mother was unable to work, caring for her own father (HIV). The village elders counseled the parents to find a home for the boy. He is a sweet boy. Needs healing with eyes.



heart's cry, that the Spirit of God would use us to make a real difference in the lives of many needy people in India.

Lin, Jennifer and I plan to be at HOPE from Jan. 27th until we leave for Orissa on the Feb. 3rd. Lord willing, we will cover most of the 15 villages that are part of the Morning Star ministry that we're going to be working with. This is the same ministry that we've teamed up with in the Lord to help many children with malaria treatment. Looking forward to sharing Jesus with precious tribal people in Orissa.

At HOPE, planning some children's meetings, youth meetings, visiting widows and doing some regular village ministry. There's also twice-daily devotions at HOPE, as well as opportunities in different churches. Please pray for us! We'll try to keep you posted, more often if we have your e-mail address.

LEFT: Manna Program manger scene, though we know the "wise men" actually came later. HOPE's little Moses made a good baby, calm and cooperative. Every Christmas we have different functions in and around the home, but this is the first time the elderly of HOPE's widow feeding program have also wanted to actively participate, which is exciting. Brother Emmanuel, who's part of the HOPE staff and who handles much of the Manna Program activities, encouraged them to have their own program with a skit, singing and prayer. PTL!



Kisan, a young Orissa pastor, with women and their new saris

A REFRESHING CHRISTMAS IN ORISSA

We are very thankful that we had the opportunity to have a small part in blessing our tribal brothers and sisters in Orissa state in India during the Christmas season. Morning Star Mission is the name of the ministry we are connected with in Orissa, and for 2 basic reasons these people have not been able to freely celebrate (or even enjoy) the birth of Christ Jesus at Christmas time the last 3 years. 1. In 2007 Hindu fundamentalists attacked many believers, destroying houses and churches during the days surrounding Christmas; 2. In 2008 there was a more severe attack on God's people that left an estimated 50,000 people fleeing to other towns and into the forests. Many died, thousands of homes were destroyed, as well as churches and a few schools. The people have returned to their villages (some living in different places now), but most were in relief camps or away from their villages during Christmas 2008. In 2009 they were hesitant to openly honor Christ during Christmas for fear of opposition. During Christmas of 2010 many of the Christians had more boldness to express their worship to the Lord. The govt. and local police also were promising to give them protection from violent forces during this time.

Our friends at Morning Star said that, with most of their tribal people the poverty also has meant that they have nothing to give, or even to prepare a special meal. So when we gave them a gift for their ministry in December, these ministers were happy to have some money to purchase new saris (Indian dresses) for many of the elderly women, and to prepare some meals for some of their village people, especially those in the poorest villages.

When I visited many of these villages in September, there weren't a lot of smiles on the people's faces. So it is a blessing to see the joy on many of their faces, like in the photo above. Please pray for us as we go to this area in February to share what God puts on our hearts for these believers. We also look forward to seeing the progress being made in building a small "school" to give some basic education to the children in the forest areas. The people are afraid to send the children to outside schools because of the persecutions, so this will help curb the 80-90% illiteracy rate there.

SRAVANTHI: 5 yrs old. Her father is an alcoholic and was beating the mother and children often. To avoid the beatings, the mother kept the children at the grandparent's house.

Working in the fields to try and provide for the children, she hasn't been able to sufficiently feed and educate them. When Sravanthi came into the home, she seemed to have no sadness, but quickly began to play with others.



"ENDUED WITH POWER FROM ON HIGH"

"Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." Luke 24:49 The Lord Jesus added to these Words in Acts 1:8, *"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

This is perhaps a little risky, trying to share this in such a short article. But whatever your doctrinal position is in regard to the "baptism of the Holy Spirit", when a person receives the Spirit, or concerning the evidences of this "baptism", the reality is that we need a whole lot more of this "power" that Jesus promised to give us so that we can impact the world around us! Whether or not you "speak in tongues", call yourself a "Spirit-filled Christian", or have the "fruit of the Spirit" operating in your life, how much "power from on high" do we have?? How many demons are being cast out (they still exist), how many miraculous healings take place (aside from the doctors), how many gifts are operating thru us, how many captives are being set free, or souls being saved thru our witness? Let's pray that we won't be deceived and come short of receiving ALL that our Lord Jesus promised to give us!

Going thru the neighborhoods singing and sharing about the amazing account of God sending Jesus to this evil world (you and I included!). Many were listening, working & observing while the HOPE procession slowly passed by.



BIRTHDAYS in January & February

Kumari— 8 on Jan. 5 Sudha Rani— 5 on Jan. 17
Sunil— 9 on Jan. 18 Yesudayamma— 16 on Feb.15

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