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Staying in Touch

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Dear Friends of GHI:

Over the last 30 years, we have come full circle - from my taking teams to preach in the schools, colleges and universities and show the Jesus Film nightly - to put in place the ministries that now flourish in India under the GHI umbrella.



Church planting, higher education, care for orphans, care for widows and teaching sewing classes for the community are all what GHI and GHIndia are about now. It's taken 28 years working in tandem with James & Ruth Sundar and then for the last eight, their son Sam and his wife, Fay, (pictured to the left) with daughters Aradhana and Amelia.

Yes, as a former missionary, I am seeing that the days of sending missionaries from the west are quickly closing. I'm now seeing a promise that God gave me in 1983 that I've seen unfold from Isaiah 43:18-19 for the last 28 years:

"Do not call to mind the former things or ponder things of the past. Behold, I will do something new, now it will spring forth; Will you not be aware of it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert."

As we assault the gates of hell, God is making a way despite the militant government persecution. Indian believers have taken the mantle and are reaching their own people as never before. GHIndia is leading the way in our area where approximately 3.5 million people live, having planted 172 churches since 2002. We will not stop until Jesus comes for His church!

This month, I wanted to share a few testimonies. The first is from one of the 34 children in our care. All of them have similar testimonies of the worst kind, so I hope by taking you deeper inside the work there, you can see the fruit of your investment in GHI.

Testimony of Vijayan...from Fay

Vijayan has been a part of The Father's Home Orphanage for the past two years. He and an older brother lost both their parents at a young age. His father died due to a liver ailment and his mother, who had a history of mental illness, committed suicide. Consequently, he was given to live with his paternal



aunt and during his stay in his aunt's home, he endured hardships like domestic violence and forced labor.

He was not allowed to go to school and was made to work in the brick making business of his Aunt's family. He tearfully described he was made to fetch water from a faraway well several times a day to supply the brick making unit. The stress alone caused baldness in his scalp. A paternal uncle had pity on him and approached us to take him into the orphanage.

At the time he came to us, he was an adolescent. He needed a lot of attention, discipline, love and assurance. There were days when he woke up with nightmares and was calmed and put back to sleep. He was emotionally and physically malnourished and so weak that the smallest of issues would upset him. As a result, he lost few years of schooling. Since coming to us, he was provided with special tutors and they interact with the schoolteachers to observe his progress.

By the grace of God, The Father's Home Orphanage and its co-operative staff of tutors have been providing round-the-clock care and attention to Vijayan. This has really improved his trust in people and God, and we are able to see him progressing well. Moreover, he has been visiting a psychiatrist for behavior development and therapy for his learning disability.

His faith in the Lord has increased and he reads the scripture, prays often and testifies about God's goodness in his life among his friends. He has developed a heart to serve and help others.



We thank God for the privilege of caring for children like these. Thank you for being an agent of change.

Testimony of Naveen Kumar

"I am Naveen Kumar from Salem about 175 miles away from the campus. I studied in the batch of 2014- 2017, completing my B.Th. that spring.

At present I am a bi-vocational pastor, working in a logistical company to support my family. Through the week and weekends, I also help in my church part time due to family circumstances. I am married to a godly woman named Jerusha who is a Registered Nurse, working in a local hospital. We are expecting our first child during the month of May.

In order to challenge and raise the youth of our congregation, we conduct



monthly meetings for young men and women whereby I teach them what I learned in Harvesters Theological College.

This year, I am teaching our youth about the importance to read and understand the scriptures and encouraging them to do ministry effectively (2 Tim. 2:1,2). I still have a desire to teach everything that I learned at HTC, but the church where my family worships do not adhere to solid evangelical doctrine and it is very difficult for me. I need direction for the days ahead, please pray.

However, beginning in March, I will also be working with our young people to do evangelistic work. I am going to give them training on the “Three Steps to Heaven” to proclaim the gospel in the coming meetings. In fact, this education has been of great help to my personal life and ministry. Please uphold me in your prayers as I discover God’s will and purpose in my life.” Thank you for investing in my life, it will not be in vain I assure you!

Scenes from the fields that are white unto harvest!



This is Pastor Jayaprakash spreading the Good News to a group bringing in their own harvest!



This picture is Pastor David doing door to door ministry, dropping in on some women preparing a meal.



This picture captures Pastor Rajani sharing one on one how to receive Jesus as her Savior.

The last picture (to the right) is Beulah (Pastor Richard's wife) with one of the college girls sharing woman to woman why Christ came into this world - to save sinners!

Our friends, this is your ministry as well. You help to send these out each day and one by one people are coming to Christ. Our words are not enough to express our **joy** in partnering with you!

Every Blessing,

Mack and Dottie

**Joy to the world!
The Lord is come;
Let earth
receive her King!**

Isaac Watts

