



# Hope Ministries

## Update

Bringing the Hope of Jesus to India Since 1979

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Dear Friends,

**Greetings to all of you in the Precious Name of Jesus!**

By the Grace of God and your prayers, we had a fruitful trip to India. We praise the Lord for His guidance and protection as we traveled and ministered there. We had the privilege of visiting our children's homes, schools, and Hope churches. They all sent their greetings to all of you.

It was a great blessing to evangelize in various gospel meetings, crusades, church services, village gospel meetings, weddings, funerals, and at dedication services of bore-wells drilled in remote jungle villages. Thank you so much for your prayers and financial support for Hope Ministries.

The weather in India was extremely hot and humid this year. The temperature was up to 120 degrees in May and June and even higher in different parts of India. From now until October it is the rainy season and it rains heavily and floods fields. Please pray for India. *"I thank my God every time I remember you."* *Phippians 1:3*

## GOSPEL MEETINGS IN TRIBAL AREA



We planned to conduct our 39th annual crusade at HMI headquarters in Mori. We set the dates and booked speakers for the crusade, but at the last minute, I felt led to change the location. We prayed and talked about various locations, and finally decided to conduct the crusade at our children's home in the tribal area of Gopavaram from May 15-17, 2019. All the arrangements were finished and ready for the first night's meeting when, all of a sudden, a big storm came through affecting the stage and seating arrangements. We all prayed for God to stop the rain.

By God's grace, the rain stopped as quickly as it came and we had no more rain for the remaining two days of the gospel meeting! God blessed the first



night's service with a large gathering in spite of the storm. We had a wonderful

worship time and God was glorified. People were blessed physically and spiritually. The rest of the two nights we experienced the presence of God and many people stood up to give their lives to Jesus. We prayed for quite a number of people for sicknesses.

During the daytime on the 16th and 17th, we conducted Bible study classes for the pastors and evangelists. They were encouraged and strengthened by the Word of God. We fed those who attended the Bible classes and the crusade. It was awesome to see how the people had rejoiced and glorified God. We experienced a great blessing!

I heard that people had traveled more than two hours from remote jungles on three-wheelers (auto-rickshaws) to the crusade. Later, our evangelists said that many people told them how they were blessed by the worship and the word. They wished the meetings would continue for a few more days! The tribal people are open and ready to hear the Gospel. Please pray for a great harvest of souls.



## NEED HELP TO REACH THE TRIBAL PEOPLE



*"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Amen." Matthew 28:19-20*

Hope Ministries has been financially supporting evangelists for the last 35 years. Most of these evangelists were once Hindus who heard the Gospel through evangelists preaching on the street corners or in village gospel meetings. They came to know Jesus through the hearing of the Word. Then they felt the call of God to preach. Over one



hundred HMI evangelists are now working in the remote tribal villages. These evangelists are very dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus with the primitive and uneducated tribal people. The evangelists not only preach the Gospel to them, but also try to meet their physical needs. Sometimes they take food and snacks for them. Sometimes they share needs, such as a lack of clean drinking water, with us. We have also been drilling bore-wells for the last six years as a testament to God's provision.

For the past two years, I have been feeling led to increase our focus on evangelizing the tribal people in South Central India.

Many tribal groups such as the Bondas, Koyas, and Chenchu live in the states of Orissa, Chattisgarh, Telangana, and Andhra Pradesh. Most of the tribal people live in small communities in houses that are made out of sticks and mud. They are isolated from the rest of the world. Many are idol worshippers. Most of them are uneducated and live in extreme poverty. They are very skeptical when an outsider enters their village, and they don't hesitate to use their bows and arrows to shoot them dead. Most of them have never heard the gospel.

It is very difficult and dangerous for our evangelists to reach them. They have to ride bicycles or walk through the woods for miles. But we are reaching one at a time and establishing churches. Thank you so much for your prayers and support for our evangelists.

We need to send out more evangelists who are willing and ready to go. They need our prayers and financial support. You can help support an evangelist with \$30 a month. Please pray and ask the Lord if He wants you to get involved in supporting this ministry.

## DRILLING BORE-WELLS & CHANGING LIVES



Many of you have donated toward drilling bore-wells in India. During our recent visit to India, we were able to drill seven more wells. These bore-wells are making a positive impact in many tribal people's lives, saving them from needing to walk 1-2 miles every morning and

evening to a river, canal or water hole to carry a pot of polluted water. The villagers' health is improving, and they are experiencing fewer fevers, such as typhoid and malaria. Most importantly, their hearts are becoming open to the Living Water. Our evangelists are welcomed

in to share the love of Jesus Christ with the villagers, and, as a result, their lives are being changed forever.

*"But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water*



*springing up into everlasting life.”*  
*John 4:14*

We are drilling bore-wells in the most remote parts of the deep jungles. Most of these villages have no paved roads and many have just dirt roads or rocky paths. That makes it very difficult to find drillers with rigs to dig a well who are willing to come. Also, it is very hard to transport supplies in these conditions. However, with God's help, they manage to find somebody to get the work done. Please pray for the safety of the workers who risk their lives to drill these life-giving wells for the villagers.

When our staff from HMI head-

quarters went to dedicate a bore-well, the pastor who organized the drilling told them, that this bore-well was in a remote, isolated tribal village. Before we go there, he told them, you have to change your white shirt because of fear for rebel groups. They took them about 30 miles in a car and asked them to leave the car and get on motorbikes they had arranged. They took them on a rocky path for about 10 miles. After that, they told them that they had to walk a few more miles to their destination. Our staff told me that they were very tired by the time they got to the village, but they were very happy to see all the villagers who

were waiting for them to dedicate the well.

Our staff and evangelists sang a couple of songs and shared the Word of God, then prayed and dedicated the bore-well. This was probably the first time for some of the people to hear about Jesus. They were very grateful and expressed their thanks to the donors who provided clean water to drink. Drilling this bore-well also paved a way for our evangelists to preach the Gospel freely without fear of being assaulted. Please pray for these villagers and so many other tribal people so that they will come to know Jesus who is the Living Water.

## ROOF OVER VERANDAH IS DONE!



We are making steady progress on the college dorm in Chinturu. This year we put a roof over the verandah. It looks good and provides more covered space for the children and staff. Once the rainy season is over we will be able to install the floor on the verandah and begin the sewing ministry. We have a woman who will be teaching other women how to sew to make money to help provide for their families.

There are seven girls living in the college dorm in Chinturu. We had a

couple of girls who had finished three years of their college degree move out, which made room for the three new girls. One of the former students got married and is now looking for a job. The other girl is trying to decide whether to go back to continue her studies. There were two other girls, ages 15-16, who were removed by their parents and taken home to get married. Child marriages are very prevalent among the tribal villagers. They are controlled by the village

leaders. Our staff tried to talk to the parents to allow the girls to finish their schooling, but the parents told our staff that their village leaders wanted them married. Sadly, there was nothing the children or our staff could do. Many children's lives are being negatively impacted because of the old traditions and customs of the villages.

We want to thank the family that helped toward this project. We know that God will bless you for your faithful support and prayers.



### *Prayer and Support Opportunities*

Bore-Wells  
School van (to replace an old van)

\$2,000 each  
\$25,000

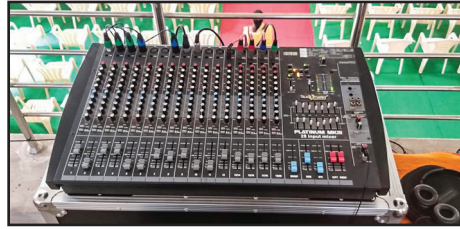




## SOUND SYSTEM BOUGHT FOR HOPE CHURCH

Some of you responded to our newsletter story when we requested help to buy a sound system for our church in Mori. Thank you all very much for your gifts to meet the need. We have purchased and set up the sound system which is adequate for the size of the church. Our son, Jesse, is very happy because he initiated this project. He is very grateful to all of you!

The sound system works very well and the congregation can hear everything clearly. By the Grace of



God, the congregation at Hope Church is growing numerically and spiritually. More and more Hindus are attending church services. Please pray for them and their families. The congregation is also very happy and asked us to express their thanks to all of you. Jaya and I also thank you for your prayers and financial support. Our prayer is that God will bless you and reward you many times.

## CHILDREN'S HOMES

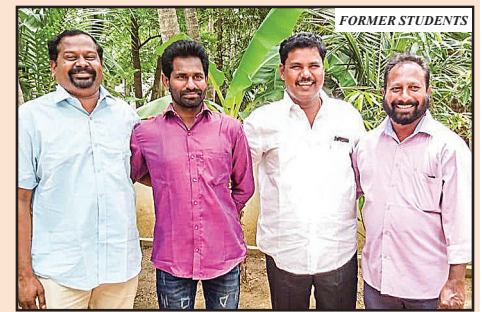
The children in our children's homes are doing well. Some of them graduated from high school this year and are attending colleges, like many before them. They are very grateful for the opportunity to stay in the children's homes where they received food, shelter, and education. Some of these children have stayed in the homes from 1st grade through 10th. Most of them have given their lives to Jesus. They are very grateful and expressed their gratitude before they left the children's homes.

I was reunited with quite a number of our

graduated children in gospel meetings where they were singing. They came and introduced themselves, telling us that they were raised in our homes and thanked us for our help. Most of the children who grew up in our homes have jobs and are living productive life. Praise the Lord!

School supplies and a set of new clothes were bought for all the children and distributed before the start of the new school year which started in June. They are very happy and expressed their thanks to all of you. I want to

thank all of you who are sponsoring children for making a difference in their lives. God bless you for caring and sharing!



## JESSE & STACY



Stacy finished her first two years of college. She had to decide whether she wants to move forward with a 3-year Bachelor of Science course or write a NEET

test (National Eligibility Entrance Test) so she can pursue her dream of becoming a doctor. She has chosen to take the test. If she passes this test, she will be able to take medical classes to become a doctor, with a scholarship paid by the government. She took the test this past May, but she missed by four marks. It is

not unusual for students to take the test multiple times before passing. Thank you all who prayed for her. She is studying again with the help of a coach to take the test again in May of 2020. Please pray for her studies and good health.

Jesse completed his course work for his first two



years of college and is waiting for the results of his tests. If he passes, he will continue with his studies to complete a degree in Bachelor of Business

Administration, which is a three year course. For now, he is actively involved with Hope Ministries. He helps with buying supplies,

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overseeing the children, driving people where they need to go, getting the church ready for services, maintaining the sound system, and playing the drums during services. He wants to eventually be full-time in serving at Hope Ministries. Please pray for God's will in his life.



*Jaya and I want to thank you for your prayers and financial support for the ministry. God bless you!*

*Jacob & Jaya Beera*

## HMI

## Prayer and Support Opportunities in this Newsletter

Summarized, here are some of the opportunities for you to partner with the ministry. The first section lists prayer and support opportunities that are mentioned in this newsletter. The second section lists ongoing opportunities including core monthly child and evangelist support. Any amount of support will help and be appreciated. Thank you for continuing to partner with Hope Ministries to reach the unreached and minister the love and compassion of Christ in India.

### Prayer and Support Opportunities in This Newsletter

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|------------------------------------|-----|-------------|
| Bore- Wells                        | [ ] | \$2000 each |
| School van (to replace an old van) | [ ] | \$ _____    |

### Ongoing Prayer and Support Opportunities

|                                     |     |                     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|---------------------|
| Sponsor a Child                     | [ ] | \$20 per month      |
| Sponsor an Evangelist               | [ ] | \$30 per month      |
| Evangelist Bicycle / Lantern / Drum | [ ] | \$100 / \$25 / \$25 |
| Where needed                        | [ ] | \$ _____            |

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