



# Hope Ministries

## Update

Bringing the Hope of Jesus to India Since 1979

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## FOCUS ON UN-REACHED TRIBAL GROUPS

To continue a theme from the December 2022 newsletter, we continue to feel that there is an urgency in sharing the good news of Jesus Christ to those who are living in remote and isolated villages in the jungles of India. We feel that they need to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ, yet historically, there have been few evangelists willing or able to reach out to them. Recently, in order to respond to this new calling on Hope Ministries, we started working with new tribal groups such as Porja, Kondu, Gowdu, Kooyi, Desiya, Parangi Porja, Bagatha, and Bondas. These tribal groups speak different languages and have no written alphabet. These tribes are very primitive and some still practice human sacrifices.



Even though there is an increase of persecution of Christians, and some pastors have even sacrificed their lives, we feel we should go forward as little fish that swim against the stream. We are concerned for the dangers we face, but we must go forward knowing that God will be with us. ***“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation” Mark 16:15***

Twelve new evangelists have joined the HMI team from the tribal areas and are burdened to share their testimonies of how they found the true God and to share the Gospel to those who are lost in the idol worship. There are more of them who want to join our team to share the Gospel. In order to equip and send them out into the fields, we are planning to start a Bible School with a six-month training course.

One of our evangelists who was once in extremist groups heard the Gospel and gave his life to Jesus. Now he has a burden to reach those unreached people. He was trained by Youth With a Mission (YWAM), and some of his fellow students want to join us to train the new believers who are called. The teachers are trained and they volunteer, only asking for food and shelter. The six-month training will include field experience with street evangelism. This basic training will equip the new evangelists to share the Gospel with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Please pray and help us financially to train and equip the believers. You can help a student receive training plus room and board for \$30 a month. A willing new evangelist can be equipped for the field with your prayers and only \$180 in support for this six-month program.



***“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Matthew 9:37-38***

## GOD'S INTERVENTION!

“The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you. They shall come out against you one way and flee before you seven ways.” Deuteronomy 28:7

As you may have read in the previous newsletter, there is still a lot of persecution taking place in India. There are incidents where many Hindu converts to Christianity are threatened and harassed. Sometimes they are forced to convert back to Hinduism.

Recently, in the state of Chattisgarh, a group of Hindu extremists gathered about 200 new believers and told them that they had to convert back to Hinduism. The extremists arranged a location and set up a large tent to do a conversion ceremony into Hinduism. They assembled the new believers, but before they could conduct the ceremony a whirlwind appeared and destroyed the tent. It started at one end of the tent and continued to the other end, completely destroying the tent and sending debris flying into the air. Once the tent was destroyed, the whirlwind disappeared. God spoke mightily!

Please pray for these tribal converts who were almost forced into renouncing their faith in Christ. Pray that the believers will be strong and never go back. And pray for those who are trying to force them back into Hinduism, that they will come to know the Lord because they saw Him in the whirlwind.

## FUNDRAISING DINNER FOR BORE-WELLS

On January 14, 2023, Suffield Fellowship Church in Suffield, Ohio, arranged an Indian dinner to raise funds to drill bore-wells in remote jungle villages in India. The church opened their doors and provided the funds to buy all the needed food, desserts, beverages, and supplies.

With some volunteers from the church, Jaya and I cooked some Indian dishes for the dinner. There were about 115 people who attended. It was more than we expected, so we had to set up some extra tables. What a wonderful night of food and fellowship!

The fundraiser raised \$12,000 that night to drill bore-wells in India. Praise God! One bore-well costs \$2,000, so we drilled 5 bore-wells and have already dedicated them. The rest of the money is being used to buy Bibles to give to the villagers where we drill bore-wells, as well as extra Bibles for villages



where we will be drilling in the future. We are excited about how God is going to use those wells and Bibles to reach people for Jesus Christ in the remote jungle villages!

Thank you for your generosity and desire to help the people in India with this need. May the Lord bless you richly for your concern.

## AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Children are recruited to state schools with incentives such as uniforms, school supplies, afternoon lunch and even yearly financial gifts to their parents. We are happy for them that they receive help from the state.



eat supper and go home.

Please pray for this “After-School Program,” and if you are led, you can help with the cost for the teachers and food for the children. The cost will be \$50 a month for a teacher and \$20 per child. Please let us know if you’d like to be a part of this outreach. *“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6*

When the children come home in the evening, parents are not able to help their children with homework because most of them are uneducated and also don’t have much time after coming home from work.

In order to help the students with their schoolwork, we want to start an after-school program. The children can come straight to our campus from their school. They can relax and enjoy some time playing games in free time. Then the teachers help them with their schoolwork and close with a Bible story, sing a couple of songs, and pray before they

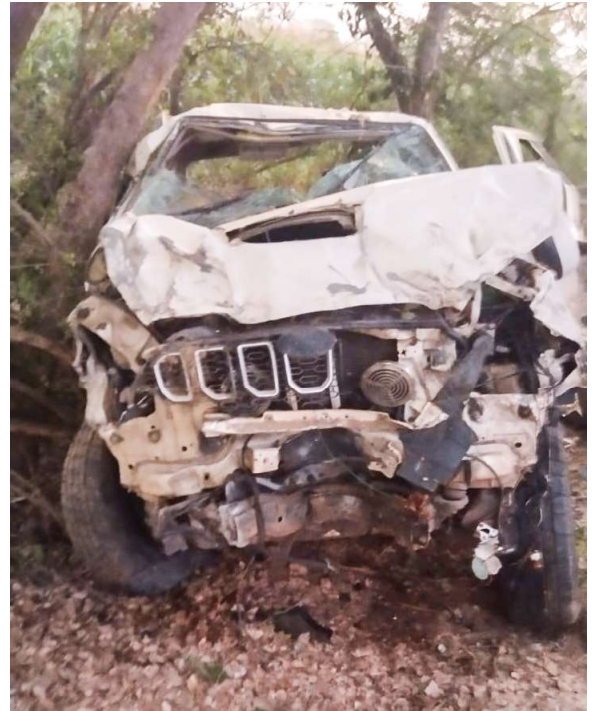
## GOD’S PROTECTION

“The LORD will keep you from all harm— He will watch over your life” Psalm 121:7

One of our church members asked Jesse to go with him to purchase some sound equipment for his sound and lighting business. Jesse took the ministry vehicle. Three others tagged along with them. After purchasing the equipment, they were on their way home on a Saturday night to be in Sunday morning church service. Around 4 A.M., Jesse fell asleep at the wheel and there was a bad accident. The vehicle went off the road and flipped 2-3 times and was stopped by trees.

Jesse and Sanyo got out of the car and called Finny, our nephew, back home and told him that they were in an accident and needed help. The three who were sitting in the back seat couldn’t get out because of their injuries. While Jesse and Sanyo were trying to help them, some people came running and helped them out of the vehicle and sent them to a government hospital.

In the meantime, Finny, who was about 200 miles away from the accident, called a friend who lives near him to see what they could do. When Finny told his friend about the accident and the location, his friend said that he was in that area and would go to help them. This man “happened” to be there at that time, 200 miles from home, because he was taking his wife to the hospital. He drove to the government hospital where they were taken and called for ambulances and took them to a different hospital, which “happened” to be the same hospital where he had taken his wife.



*Ministry Vehicle after crash*

Three of the young men had scratches, cuts, and bruises, but two of them were severely injured. One had a broken leg, collar bone, and ribs and he was placed in ICU. He had to wait a few days before surgery for broken bones. The other young man had a broken leg and had surgery after a couple of days to fix it. We are so grateful that God was watching over them. By God’s grace, He protected them and sent just the right people at just the right time to help them.

Jesse and the two others who had cuts and bruises went home from the hospital after three days. The two who were badly hurt are still in the hospital. Please remember them in your prayers that they will all have speedy and complete recoveries.

## GOSPEL MEETINGS

We are planning a three-night crusade at Mori in April 26,27 and 28 of 2023. This will be the first crusade since the beginning of Covid-19. There will be Bible classes during the day for the HMI pastors and evangelists. The crusade starts at 7 P.M. with singing and worship then Gospel messages. Many people come from miles around to hear the Word. We have been praying in our churches for these meetings to bring much glory and praise to God. Please join with us in prayer that many lives will be touched and saved.

If you would like to be a long-distance part of this crusade, we would welcome your financial help to help pay for the meals that we prepare for the 200 pastors and their families for the three days, as well as the many people who come to the crusade early each night to be fed. Sometimes we have as many as 1,500 people who come for a meal, so any help is greatly appreciated.

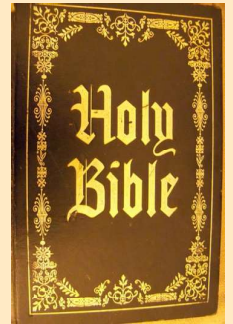
## TRIP TO INDIA

Jaya and I are planning to leave for India on March 21, 2023, and will arrive at HMI headquarters in Mori, India, on the 23rd. It is going to be an emotional reunion with our children and families. Much has happened in the past six months since we left India. My brother had a heart attack and almost died. Jesse was watched over and walked out of a terrible automobile accident. Stacy moved to the Philippines to continue her studies to become a doctor. God has been faithful to us and the ministry through it all!

## BIBLES NEEDED FOR DISTRIBUTION

We think it would be a nice gift to donate a Bible to each family in the villages where we drill a bore-well. Most of the adults can't read, but their children are attending schools and can read. Also, some of HMI evangelists and church members would like to replace their worn-out Bibles. Also, the children who attend Sunday School and the young people who attend our youth meetings would appreciate a Bible of their own. God can speak to those who read the Bible.

You may help us buy Bibles to distribute. **Each Full Bible (Telugu Language) may cost from \$10. Your gift will change lives.**



Thank you so much for your partnership with Hope Ministries. We appreciate your prayers and financial support. Together we are making a difference in India. Please pray and help us to replace HMI vehicle. The cost would be around \$25,000. You are in our prayers. May God bless you and keep you!

Yours for India,  
Jacob Beera

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# 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

Children's support	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20 per month
Evangelist support	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$35-50 per month
Bicycles	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$125 Each
Bibles	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$10 Each
After School Teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50 per month
After School Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20 per month
Bible School Believers	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20 per month
Ministry Vehicle \$25,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Where Needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Nursing students	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Bore-well \$2,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____

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