



# Hope Ministries Update

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Dear Partners and Friends,

Greetings and heart felt thanks to you and your family for your faithful support and prayers. It is hard to believe that we're celebrating our 20th year in the ministry. Many of you have been with us all through these years with your support and prayers. Together, we fed thousands of hungry children and shared the Gospel with many thousands of lost souls of India.

As you have read in our previous newsletters, many childrens lives have been saved from starvation and

even death and were given a new hope for the future. What an awesome feeling it is to look back and reflect on lives that were touched by the love of Jesus Christ! Most of the children in the photo below, came from the poorest of the poor. At their young age, they experienced poverty that many of us just read about. This is the story of many children in India.

You are making a big difference in these children lives through your prayers and support. You have put smiles on many faces!!

*God Bless you for caring!*

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

Phil 1:3-5

*Thank you  
for helping  
us!*



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**Suseela and Martha, carrying water from a well**  
(just like in the Bible times)

Last year when we were in India, she came and shared that there was an opportunity to go and work in an Arab country. Many Indians do this to get ahead in life. They leave children and family behind to give them a better future by making more money there. She said that she needed some help to pay for her plane ticket. To make a long story short, we helped her and she is now working in an Arab country. Her entire family is now doing better! What a difference you have made. This is one of many success stories.

## **The story of Martha:**

Martha was born in a traditional Christian family. She and her sister, Maria and 2 brothers were admitted into our children's home in Mori. She was in 1st grade when she came to us and left the children's home after she finished high school.

She and her sister Maria are now married and have children of their own.. Martha has two year old son. Last year, when we were in India, she brought her son and said that her son was having health problems. He had a hole in his heart. He was given a slim chance to live. She had tears in her eyes and requested for us to pray for him.

We layed hands and prayed for God to touch and heal him. This year she came back and shared that God touched and healed her son. Praise the Lord! Her husband has a good job and they are doing well. Most important, they are serving the Lord.

*Many children like Suseela and Martha are in need of our help. You can make a difference in a child's life by sponsoring \$15. a month. God will bless you for it!*

## **The story of Suseela:**

Suseela was born into a Hindu family. When she and her brother were very young, their family experienced extreme poverty. Circumstances forced their parents to leave home to look for a job in Bombay. Before they left, they brought Suseela and her brother Narasimha Rao to our children's home and asked us to help them.

Suseela grew up to be a beautiful young lady. She and her brother accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. PTL.

She is now married and has a daughter of her own. She lives with her husband in a village not far from our children's home in Mori. Every time we go to India, she comes and visit with us.

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.



Then the righteous will answer him, Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?

When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?

When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?"The King will reply, I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:35-40



### Dedication of a new church building

Four years ago, we sent an evangelist named Jaya Raju to a village called Veeravallipalem to preach the Gospel. He said, "When I first went to this village, not even a single Christian was there. They were staunch Hindus and deep into idol worship. Day after day, I went to the streets and preached the Gospel. Nobody

wanted to listen to me and I faced a lot of opposition."

"I preached in the streets and under the trees for 2 years before I saw a break through. I began to visit the homes with sick people and prayed for them. People began to get well. Slowly they began to listen to what I had to say. Now, more than 20 people have

accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. First, women accept Jesus and they start praying for their families. As a result, their families also accept Jesus.

The new believers built a thatched-roof church and invited me to dedicate it. It was a joyous celebration and the Name of Jesus was lifted up.

Over 300 evangelists are now being sponsored by Hope Ministries. Most of them are working among the unreached people groups. Many evangelists like Jaya Raju are waiting to be sent.

**For \$25, a month you can sponsor an evangelist to reach the lost.**

How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? *Romans 10:14-15*

## The Impact of the Gospel

Ever since we started our first home in Mori in 1979, we have been preaching the Gospel to the surrounding Hindus through Crusades, Gospel meetings, street meetings and distribution of Gospel tracts. Many times we were attacked verbally and told not to preach the Gospel by Hindus. When my mom was sharing the Gospel where she worked, her employer (who was a Hindu) got mad and abused her verbally and tried to cause her harm. After he did that, sad to say, they lost their entire business and became poor. Now some of his family members accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour and are attending church.

After we built our first church in Mori next to a Hindu village, the Hindus were angry and wanted to cause disturbances to our services. So they came and built

a monkey temple 100 feet from our church. When our staff tried to stop them, the whole village came against them. In order to harass us, they put a PA system on top of the temple and start playing music 4 o'clock in the morning until 7 or 8 Am. In the evening 5 o'clock till 10 or 11 pm. It was very annoying and we went crazy for a while. Every time we asked them to turn the volume down, the next day, it would be even louder. Then we decided not to talk to them and began to pray for them.

After some time, we began to see some change in some of the people. Now, most of the people who helped build the monkey temple, have come to know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour and are attending our church. Now they feel sorry for building the temple there. There are still some

who still play the music even today.

This year when we were in India, we received a threatening letter from a group of Hindu radicals. (This is part of the persecution in India). They warned us not to conduct our annual crusade at Mori. They wrote, "If you conduct meetings, we will come and destroy it." Our staff showed me the letter and expressed their concern. I said, don't tell this to anybody, we will conduct the crusade as usual." Even when we didn't say anything, the news spread to the entire village. Some Hindu young men came and asked if we needed protection. We said, "Thanks, but it is not necessary." Even the police department called and offered police protection. We will send some police force. We told them the same thing, that we really didn't need protection. *(Continued on page 4)*

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We all prayed and started the Crusade on time, as usual, but our staff was uneasy. Praise the Lord that nobody showed up or caused any disturbances during the crusade. God watched over us.

One day in February, a group of Hindu leaders from our village came to talk to me. We arranged a sitting on the porch. They shared that they were planning a sporting event and asked for a donation. I said, "Ok, we will give you a donation." We gave and didn't ask or expect anything in return. A week later, some of them came back and asked if I could come and share a few words in the opening ceremony. I agreed to go. A few days later, they came back and said we want to honor you along with the Speaker of the House. By this time, I began to think, "Why do they want to do this?" So many thoughts were going through my mind. What are they up to? Are they going to put a bomb in the garlands that they put around

my neck? Then again I thought "Nay, they wouldn't do that." But we never know!

I saw welcome banners with my name on them, all over town. When the time came, I went there along with some of our staff. When I saw all the banners and genuine welcome they gave me, I was overwhelmed! They made a big celebration and put garlands around my neck. The garlands were so many that they hid my face. A staunch Hindu (who doesn't respect anybody and never has anything good to say about others) came forward, took the microphone and said many good things about us and our ministry. Everyone was shocked! To make a long story short, their final words were, "We want to honor you because of what you are doing to help the poor and needy." They broadcasted the entire ceremony on a local TV.

A few days later, another Hindu young man

came and told us, "You see all these Hindu homes? Inside, many of them read the Bible and pray." I praise God for working in their lives. I see a hunger and thirst in many Hindus to know the truth, but because of family persecution, many can't come out publicly. Please pray for them.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Gal. 6:9

Please continue to remember the children and the people of India in your prayers.

May God Bless you as you labor with us!



Your's for India,

Jacob Beera

## Progress on our School Building Construction

We are making steady progress on the building construction. The photo on the right was taken in August. We praise the Lord for providing for the need through his children as we build. Since August, we have done more work on it. We still have a long way to go.

**We need 200,000 Brick and it will cost \$6,000.  
\$30 will buy 1,000 brick..  
Please pray about this need.**

Once this building is finished, it will be a learning center for many Indian children. Also it will be a place to conduct Bible School.



### Yes, I will support...

#### ...A Children's Home

For \$15 per month, you can sponsor a child in one of our children's homes. We will send you a photograph of the children that are being fed, clothed, sheltered and educated in one of our children's homes. We will also supply information about an individual child at your request.

#### ...An Evangelist

For \$25 per month, you can sponsor an evangelist to reach the lost. We'll send you a photo and testimony. So many are willing to go, but they need your help to be sent.



#### Children in Children's Home

- I want to sponsor \_\_\_ child(ren)
- \$15.00 per month  \$180.00 for a year
- Evangelist(s) \_\_\_\_\_
- \$25.00 per month  \$300.00 for a year
- \$25.00 for a lantern
- \$100.00 for a bicycle
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ School building
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ New Children's Home
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Where needed
- Please send more information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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