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YOU Make a Difference

The following is part of an e-mail from a pastor in Nigeria. Your prayers and gifts enabled him to receive the box of materials displayed in the photo!

Greetings to you in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour. The Bibles and books you sent mean so much to us. One recipient of the Hope Bible is my wife, Celestina, as you see in the photo.

I so much love your uncompromised teaching on the CDs you sent to me. I teach what I learn from you to our church and we are edified. We pray for you, the staff of HOH, and Mrs. Yoder. I love to read Dr. Yoder's books also because God is using them to minister to me.

Requests for Hope Bibles are many here within and outside our Church and we are unable to fulfill them without your help. If you are able to send more Hope Bibles to us we will give them with joy.

- Pastor Mike, Nigeria



Order your Muslim Prayer Guide today!!



Join the worldwide movement to pray for Muslims during the month of Ramadan, the holy month of fasting in Islam. Ramadan this year is being observed July 20 - August 18.

Each year a new illustrated prayer guide booklet is published in a number of languages and locations around the world. The booklet contains daily readings that focus on various topics, people groups and geographical areas of the Islamic world. Each day's subject focus is followed by prayer points. It also features informative background articles and resources for involvement.

For more information or to receive the guide electronically, log onto www.30daysprayer.com

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Listener Letters from India!

"I come from a Hindu family. We were idol worshippers initially. My paternal aunt had been suffering from some incurable disease caused by evil spirits for last ten years. All our efforts to get her healed were of no avail.

One day one of my friends told me about Jesus and introduced me to one pastor who prayed for her day and night for several days with a burden in his heart. My aunt was miraculously healed. The pastor prayed for all of our family members and told us to listen to "Asha Deep" program on radio. We have been doing that ever since.

We all have repented for our past sinful life. We have accepted Jesus as our Saviour. We have been baptized and now our lives are full of heavenly joy peace. We listen to your program without fail as it gives us spiritual food. We are happy now!"

- Awdhesh Kumar

I am very excited to tell you my story. Once when I had not accepted Jesus Christ as my Redeemer, I was living a very miserable life. I am a farmer by profession. Though I did all my best to get good harvest, I had not enough crops from my farming. My financial condition became bad to worse. My life became distressful. One day someone told me about the Lord Jesus and His miracles. I started praying to the Lord Jesus. Few days later I saw His mighty hands upon me and my farming. He answered my prayers. My life has been changed. I thanked the Almighty God. Now I boldly, say that no one whose hope is in him will be put to shame. I regularly listen to your program 'Asha Deep.' The message you give directs me to live a victorious life.

- Sri Ram Masih

"Coming from a Hindu background I did not know about Jesus. One of my Christian friends, who himself is a radio listener, told me about Jesus and advised me to listen to radio program 'Asha Deep.'

I was passing through financial problems in addition to an acute stomach pain. Even doctors could not tell me the reason. Medicines failed to give me relief. I started praying to God and listening to program 'Asha Deep' on radio. Gradually my pain started disappear-

ing and now I am completely whole. I have put my worries on God. Pray that He gives me spiritual healing as well."

- Umesh Kumar

"I came to know about Jesus on radio. I learned that He is the one who can save me from sin and hell. He is the only one to forgive my sins as He has paid for my sin by His death on the cross. Pray for me."

- Mohammad Ansari

"For last several years I have been listening to 'Asha Deep' program on radio. The life giving messages strengthen my faith in Jesus day by day.

I belong to a poor family. In addition to my poverty, I have squinting eyes, my friends and others tease me. I get depressed. I have stopped my studies. I know Jesus, while on earth, had healed many blind people. I have no money to get my eyes operated upon. But I hope that Jesus will touch my eyes and make me whole. Do pray for me. I believe that nothing is impossible for God. He will surely help me and I will prove this in my life."

- Bans Raj

Hope Herald Appreciation from Ghana

"Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ who according to His abundant mercies hath begotten us unto a lively hope.

I thank God for the founder, the president, the executives, and the entire membership of Heralds of Hope, for doing a good work in me and Christians worldwide. I have received the yearly prayer calendar and Hope Herald. I always thank Almighty God and I am proud that I have hope calendars which I have been using in my daily life.

May God, the Creator of heaven and earth keep Heralds of Hope in perfect peace and not lacking anything until His kingdom come."

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The President's View

GIVING WITH PURPOSE

I can't speak for other countries, but Americans are generous people! In 2010 more than **290 Billion** was contributed to charities in the United States. 80% of that giving was done by individuals.

In II Corinthians 9:7 Paul writes, *"Everyone should give as he purposes in his heart."* Purpose shows intent, motive, and discipline. It shows you've given careful thought to your giving.

Paul's command to give purposefully acknowledges you have many choices. Like mine, your mailbox brings you many appeals. How do you decide which organizations to support? What is the purpose of your giving? What do you want it to accomplish?

The Old Testament tithe had three basic purposes that have continuing significance and application for us. First, the tithe was to support the "spiritual leaders;" Leviticus 27, Deuteronomy 14, and I Corinthians 9. The tithe was also gathered to feed the widows and orphans of the Hebrew society as well as the non-Jewish poor living in the community, Deuteronomy 14 and Galatians 6:10.

The biblical principal is that your first-fruits belong to your local church. Giving to other ministries should be offerings above that.

Your support for other organizations must be given cautiously. Know what they believe and how they flesh out that belief in ministry. Many well-meaning Christians support organizations like "International Fellowship of Christians and Jews." They are unaware that Rabbi Eckstein, leader of IFCJ believes "The rejection of Jesus as Messiah is the key to Jewish survival." Because of this, a significant amount of funds raised from Christians goes to organizations who promote 'anti-missionary' activity.

You should also be extremely careful about donating money to secular groups or causes. I've learned this the hard way. In the past I made a few donations to the National Wildlife Federation. That was until I discovered that they support China's one-child, forced abortion policy. Many environmental groups, focusing on animals, wilderness, or whatever, support population control. Be careful and do your homework well lest you make the same mistake I did.

As you exercise the grace of giving, give purposefully. Be generous, be systematic, be disciplined, and be careful.

Sincerely in HOPE of the Gospel,

J. Mark Horst, President
HERALDS OF HOPE, INC.

Stewardship

RAGS VERSUS RICHES

I was recently challenged by a devotional I read with the above title. One statement made was that our lives are likely to be more effective for God if we have "neither riches nor poverty." It was based on Prov. 30:8b-9, *"Give me neither poverty or riches; feed me with food convenient for me: Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the Lord? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain."*

Having riches can tend to give us the false impression that we don't need God. Also, that if we are poor we are tempted to steal, blame God, or even become bitter at Him.

At times we are tempted to imagine that more money would make our lives better, easier, and solve a lot of life's problems. However, I Tim. 6:9-10 says, *"But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."*

Therefore, we need to learn to be a faithful steward of money and God's many blessings to us whether we have little or plenty. Strive to be like Paul in Philippians 4:11-12; *"Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need."*

Trusting in Jesus,
Bob Kauffman

Hope Children's Home - Katmandu, Nepal



Sunita 7 yrs.



Anjana 8 yrs.



Samikchhya 9 yrs.



Sangita 9 yrs.



Bishnu 10 yrs.



Jyoti 20 yrs.

Each year in April we receive an updated photo and "profile" on each of the orphan girls in Nepal. We plan to make this report an annual feature in this newsletter. Here are a few details:

Sunita: She has a good voice and likes to sing Sunday school songs.

Anjana: She is good in English conversation and writing.

***Samikchhya:** She is good in drawing pictures and is active in sports.

Sangita: She has a quiet nature. She is very helpful and obedient girl.

Bishnu: Her mother cannot take care of her especially her education.

Lalita: She is good in her studies and helps a lot in vegetable garden.

Pasang: She likes to do acting in school & Sunday school drama.

Ruth: She is good in drawing and likes to look after the chickens.

Asha: She awakes at 5 am for her devotions and makes tea for others.

Esther: She came 1st in her class securing above 90% in all subjects.

Rita: Last year she suffered glandular TB but now is in good health.

Rachel: She does well in her studies and looks after the younger girls.

Kalpana: She likes to cook and she is good in verse memorizing.

Ritu: She is very quiet but has very kind heart. She's a good singer.

Sharmila: She helps us in the kitchen and looks after small girls.

Jyoti: She is a Sunday school leader in Zion Salvation church.

*** Samikchhya is in need of a sponsor (\$30 monthly)**

Please pray for the country of Nepal. The political parties will not come into agreement to complete the writing of a new constitution. The deadline will finish after twenty days. It has been more than four years since they began. - *Pastor Anand Sinha*



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Sharmila 19 yrs.



Rita 19 yrs.



Asha 17 yrs.



Lalita 11 yrs.



Ruth 11 yrs.



Pasang 13 yrs.



Esther 16 yrs.