

India!



Wars and rumors of wars! It looked like the most unlikely time to leave the United States (war was about to break out any time), and it seemed like an absurd time to go to India (rumors regarding the dangers were flying about like so many gnats). But we decided that our lives could not be governed by the news headlines nor by the warnings of others—our only choice was to follow after peace. So off we flew to the other side of the world knowing that God had said "Go!" but not actually sure what type of dangers we would be facing. Last year we had come face to face with extremists. Several of the believers in our meeting were severely beaten, some hospitalized. One pregnant woman lost her baby.

In the quiet safety of our air-conditioned home, it all seems like a dream. It is easy here to forget the battle to walk in the spirit and to refuse to operate in fear. But we continue to contemplate strength of the Indian believers that live with this battle each and every day. We think of Dinesh, who had been a leader in the Indian mafia. He had been a very wicked and corrupt man—so much so that his conversion interrupted the writing of a book on how to kill a man and never be found out. Yet he was so full of fear that he could not walk the streets without at least five bodyguards. *Now he is an evangelist and walks at night on some of the darkest and most dangerous roads in all of India—alone—and unafraid.* †



Wade baptizing believers in a portable tank that can be set up anywhere it is safe. It is against the law for this beautiful woman to receive Jesus as her lord.

Under Pharaoh's Nose

The most unlikely place to put the precious Baby Moses was in plain sight of the very person that was the source of the danger. So it was this year with our Agra pastors/leaders conference. Many of you remember the trouble we had last year with extremists. As aforementioned, several believers were beaten so badly that they had to be hospitalized. But those same believers were ready once again to come together to be taught and to encourage one another. As Mohit, the apostle and leader of the UP Outreach said, "We all felt like a broken piece of the puzzle—alone. But when we were able to come together it felt like the puzzle was a whole... Even people from villages just a few kilometers apart did not know there were believers so close."

As we all sought God regarding the details of the meeting, this year we decided to meet in Mathura, a very holy Hindu city (the birthplace of Krishna, with 6,000 registered and an estimated 3,000 unregistered Hindu temples) and a very politically active city (the home of the extremely strong and militant BJP party). Although the believers would stay on the property, in order not to draw any undue attention to the meetings we ourselves would not stay in Mathura. The two-to-four hour commute from Agra each day was a small price to pay for the safety of the believers. †



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"I know very well how foolish the message of the cross sounds to those who are on the road to destruction. But we who are being saved recognize this message as the very power of God." I Corinthians 1:18 (NLT) †



Believers rejoice when the Word of God is preached and they find the freedom that only Truth can bring. We offer gratitude to everyone in The Sowers, India and Harvest Now (Guine and Lisa Anderson) for all the work and labor of love. It takes all of us working together!



A Building To House A Mexican Church

"Jesus went about doing good..." Sometimes the most effective gospel that can be preached is simply helping folks. That is exactly what James McCafferty, Scott Watson, Steve Watson (Stitch) and Wade did one fine week in March. They traveled fourteen hours by van to El Pinto, Tamaulipas, Mexico stopping along the way to



pick up Steve and Kathy Anderson of Latin American Teaching and their cat to travel to El Pinto. Steve and Kathy minister in a farming and ranching community which includes several mountain villages. The foundation for the building had already been poured thanks to financing by Doug Nance of Harvest of Love Ministries. Within just a few days, with the masterful help of Arturo Charles—pastor of a neighboring church, the barren became fruitful. The materials were bought, walls went up, then the plywood siding and soon it became a beautiful place where believers from that region can meet together and worship The Most High! †

Norway/Germany/USA Team Up

Please pray for us as we gather a team of believers from all over the United States to meld together with believers from Norway and Germany. Sound wild enough to be a God-idea? Well we know that God is speaking *Europe* very loudly to our hearts and we must obey. Through some very divine connections, He has linked us with Oslo Christian Center in Oslo, Norway. Together we are going to hit the streets, churches, schools, orphanages—any place in northeastern Germany that will open their doors to us. Some we plan to sneak through the back door. On June 11 the nine US team members will gather together at International Bible College in San Antonio to be taught how to witness, how to pray the salvation prayer in German, how to put on mime faces, how to present awesome dramas, how to get along in a foreign country and finally—how to be a real *team*. On June 14 we connect with the German and Norwegian team members for 10 days of ministry in Germany. †



Missionary Wade at a baptism sight in India



Transportation is always a special challenge in India—especially getting Wade and Linda into a rickshaw!

MANY MANY THANKS! One of the things that we continually ask the Lord to help us with, is STUFF for missionaries. Over the years we have had the privilege of distributing many things such as: Buck Knives, sound systems, guitars, bicycles, etc.

Recently **Dr. Valarie Saxion of Silver Creek Labs** graciously donated several hundred dollars in herbal and preventive supplements. Often missionaries do not have access to conventional medical care for various reasons therefore preventative healthcare is great for everyone but especially missionaries! Dr. Saxion's products are now keeping people healthy in Ecuador, Palestine, Africa, Mexico, India and many other places. If you would like more information regarding preventative maintenance you may contact her website www.silvercreeklabs.com †

From Vision to Moral Mandate

What exciting times we are living in – God is at work in all of us! In fact Philippians 2:13 (NLT) says: "God is working in you, giving you the desire to obey him and the power to do what pleases him."

This is a crucial time in the world and we are endeavoring to closely follow God's Spirit in order to make the greatest impact. With the world in tremendous turmoil we need your continued support, *especially through prayer and intercession*, to see God's purposes accomplished.

Wade had a dream about a woman calling from the northern part of India. She said "Please come and help us – we need you." The next night an angel took him by the hand and flew with him over the nations of the world. The nations were together as one landmass and white in color. The angel said to him "Look – it's not hard!"

"Please come and help us—we need you!"

Together we are helping to answer that woman's cry because as God gives us the POWER to do what pleases Him... it's not hard.†



Bicycles in India



Bicycles provide a much needed mode of transportation for evangelists and pastors such as Isaac (left) who pastors a church in Delhi. Otherwise they would be walking or taking the bus which is time consuming and costly. A bike can double or even triple the amount of work that can be produced by one person with the same effort. Actually the entire family benefits—we have witnessed a family of five traveling on a bike. **Thanks to you NINE** new, top-of-the-line bicycles have been placed in Northern India. †

← *Jonah, an anointed evangelist as well as a gifted musician was the recipient of a bicycle.*

Just a few weeks before we arrived he and his team had gone into a village preaching the Good News and five young men had accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord. Jonah and another evangelist went back the next week to baptize the new believers and teach them more about this Jesus that they had just met. When the village elders heard that they were back in town they had them seized and began to haggle over whether they should kill them or simply gouge their eyes out. Word was sent back to David the director of The

Sowers India and he sent some folks to "reason" with them. After some time the elders not only agreed to let them go, but now Jonah and his team are preaching the Gospel in that village regularly. We celebrate Jonah and others like him...

These people face persecution on a daily basis. Thank you for making their job a little easier!



Sawan was so excited about his new bicycle he took it to a photographer to have a "snap" made

Vision, People, Passion Occasionally we all need to sit down and ask the Lord about the direction in which we are headed. If we are not careful we can be purposefully and passionately headed in the **wrong** direction. Therefore—with that thought in mind we began to seek God concerning our vision. What is our vision? Where are we headed? We have all heard the saying that if you do not know where you are going any road will take you there. It sounds good in a teaching but unless we take the time to seek The Plan Maker with more than just our daily communion... well it was time for us to see if we were headed in His direction and not our direction. Here is a sampling of some of the results of that seeking.

Living Water Ministries International is:

- **Vision! People! Passion!** (people are always the center of whatever we do; people are more important than programs)
- Vision, People and Passion, linked with common Purpose, to reach the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ
- Where Prayer and Planning are keys to success
- Where talented People, both young and old, join together in reaching a generation for Jesus
- Where Great Exploits are Commonplace
- Where supplies and resources are distributed to churches and ministries around the world to help teach and train believers
 - Ministry tools—Bibles, literature, trucks, vans, buses, bikes, motorcycles, tents, sound systems, Jesus films
 - Practical help—water wells, food, medicine, clothing
- Where leaders have the opportunity to learn new skills and expand their vision
- Where the unreached have the opportunity to hear the Good News (this always has to be the bottom line!) †

Partners



As we travel from state to state and country to country we see new vistas and meet new friends. This is a wonderful experience – one that we treasure. But one thing that it has been reconfirmed in our hearts is an appreciation for the familiar and the solid. Family, friends, and home have a whole new meaning. There is also a rekindling of the knowledge that we cannot do this alone. The Body of Christ is intended to function as a whole – with every part performing its role in supplying.

Thank you for your role as a partner of Living Water Ministries International. In the past twelve months it has allowed us to:

- ✓ Build church buildings in Honduras and Mexico
- ✓ Build a dome for children's ministry in Honduras
- ✓ Hold pastor and leader conferences in India and Africa
- ✓ Support pastors in southern Ukraine (where there is a heavy concentration of Muslim immigrants)
- ✓ Place nine bicycles into the hands of pastors and evangelists in India
- ✓ Form a strategic partnership with Oslo Christian Center in Oslo, Norway in order to support churches in Northeastern Germany through summer outreaches
- ✓ Increase our efforts in India by adding another conference in Ranchi, Jarkhand
- ✓ Buy a tent which will be placed in Siaya, Kenya
- ✓ Travel throughout the United States and the world supporting & encouraging ministers
 - Many of the churches we visit are so small that they can not give large offerings – but because of your giving and finances, we are able to go where many ministers would not be financially able to go.

We are asking God for "double" according to Isaiah 61... if we double our efforts, we can double the harvest!

What can I do?

\$2.00 buys one New Testament for a new believer. Bibles are needed in every country - believers are being added faster than Bibles can be provided in some cases.

\$50 per month sponsors a full-time pastor in a third world country

\$75 buys a bicycle

\$650 buys a scooter or motor bike

\$1,500 will place a tent for a congregation in Africa

\$3,500 will furnish the Jesus film, projector and generator

\$2,500—\$5,000 builds a church

\$5,000—\$8,000 furnishes a church with a van or SUV to reach remote areas and take teams to reach the outlying areas

It is our desire to place as many tools as possible into the hands of the national pastors and missionaries.

If you are interested in any of the projects listed above or giving into LWM's general fund, please contact us via the information listed on the last page of this communication.

1 Sam 30:24 "...those who go to battle and those that guard the equipment share the same reward."

What's Up?

As we look ahead it is our desire to share some of the major projects that are just ahead on the horizon. *Please pray for everything that is needed for each one of these three projects.*

Africa Kenya, South Africa and Uganda are on the slate for this fall. We will be with some familiar names and faces such as David Cerar, Ron and Rina Kinnear, and possibly Jerry and Jana Lackey. Also included in the line-up are some names that are not so familiar such as John Lakwongo, Grace Gikera and Martin Odhiambo. There is a great move of God in Africa but there is also a great need for teaching, preaching and training. We and our team plan to do just that.

Tent While in Africa one of our goals is to place a tent with Martin Odhiambo. Martin is a man with a heart and burden for the persecuted church. He lives in Kenya and has oversight of several churches within the borders of Uganda and Sudan. Recently one of those churches lost their building as a result of the Sudanese uprisings near them. The state police confiscated their building for their use and it may or may not be returned.

India For the first time we are planning to do a *large* outdoor crusade. The city of Ranchi, Jarkhand is a collegiate town with three major universities—excellent for daytime evangelism. Also St. Paul School has a large field in front (approx four acres) that is perfect for soccer games or in our case, a place to preach the Gospel open-air style. Permission to use the school has been granted (including written permission from the city magistrates). The next piece to this puzzle is the payment for the soccer field. †



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Larry and Leila Ewert (Church of the Living Water, Deer Park, Texas) have always had a heart for missions. Larry has been with us on several trips including Honduras. Both Larry and Leila have been actively serving the local church for many years. In places of leadership and service such as Men's Ministry, Men's Intercessory Prayer, church maintenance, VBS, Women's Ministry, Women's Aglow and various other ministries they have been a support and encouragement to the believers of CLW and their pastors. They have also faithfully stood with us through prayer, intercession and finances. Thank you Larry and Leila for partnering with LWMII!



Vision People Passion
(people are the center of everything we do— they are more important than programs!)

