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You who bring good tidings...go up on a high mountain... lift up your voice with a shout, lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns ..."Here is your God!" Isaiah 40:9

DON JOHNSON EVANGELISTIC MINISTRIES

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The Mission

The purpose of Don Johnson Evangelistic Ministries is to boldly and creatively proclaim the Kingdom of God through various means of mass communication, including preaching, radio broadcasting, open forums and web and print publishing.

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Into the Harvest

People are crying out for the Word of God and I am thrilled to be able to take it to them.

As I explained in the last newsletter, God has been leading me to do more to reach the lost in the developing world. In response to that call, it is my pleasure to announce the launch of Project India.

Project India is a partnership with several Indian ministries to spread God's word to the millions of that sub-continent. We are teaming with local pastors and evangelists to hold evangelistic meetings and pastor's conferences and provide Bibles, books, films and other resources that will help in making disciples.

My first trip as part of this effort will be in the spring of 2007. The main event will be a week of outreach with the Indian Council of Missions in the province of Tamil Nadu. We are expecting over 1200 pastors to attend meetings in Sivagangai from April 23 to 25. We will then move to Dingidul for a four day crusade. We have rented an outdoor venue and are expecting thousands of attendees.

As part of the follow up, we hope to be able to plant a church in Dingidul using two missionaries that have been trained at the Bible School operated by ICM.

Preparations for the events have been going well (see the email section on page 2) and I

couldn't be more excited.

After finishing in Tamil Nadu, I plan to

visit as many as four more of my partners in the province just to the north, Andhra Pradesh. We are still finalizing details of this portion of the trip, but we plan on doing some village crusades and encouraging local pastors in their multi-faceted ministries (see page 3). God is doing wonderful things in India and I am greatly looking forward

to being a part of it. I hope this trip will lead to many more overseas visits, not just in India but throughout Asia, Africa and wherever God leads. A fall trip is already in the works.

Please pray. This is a big undertaking, with a base budget of \$17,000. As large as that

amount is, we are actually hoping that God will provide even more, as that number does not take into account some of the tremendous possibilities that are open to us. For example, if we have extra funds, we will provide each pastor with a copy of the Jesus

film and a copy of my new book, both in their own language!

Thank you for your support. I will be providing more details in the weeks to come and you can always learn the latest at the website. God Bless you!



Spring 2007 Trip Itinerary

April 23-25
Pastor's Conference in Sivagangai

April 26-29
Evangelistic Meetings in Dingidul

April 30-May 5
Evangelistic Meetings in Andhra Pradesh

Email Corner

Some encouraging feedback.

I continue to take great encouragement from the messages I receive from around the world and I think you will, too. Here are some notes from a couple of radio listeners and one of my partners in India.

Don,

I am enjoying the podcasts. I feel compelled to talk more openly with friends and family about my faith, in a big part due to your radio show. Today I received an email from a friend and I'm grappling with how to answer it well. If you have any advice or response, I would greatly appreciate it.

A listener from Arizona

Mr. Johnson -

I recently came across your podcast on I-tunes while searching for apologetics themed broadcasts. I have since downloaded nearly every episode, and listen to them driving back and forth to work.

I can't tell you how much I have learned from your shows, and how much they have motivated me even more to be a truth seeker. Your show mantra, "Who is God and what is He like" echoes in my head as I ponder reality and my worldview.

Anyway, I just wanted to thank you for your efforts, and hopefully encourage you to continue. I especially enjoy your debates with people who hold contrary world views. You are more than respectful to them, but it is pretty cool when your arguments crush theirs, lol. ["laugh out loud" for those of you not up on your email shorthand]

Thanks again, A listener from New York City

Dear Brother Don,

What a blessing it is that I contact you very often and letting you know how we have been doing on the planning of your meetings in India! I just returned back home after our planning and prayer meeting for our crusade and conference for April 07. We have been conducted the planning meeting and prayer meeting today in Dindigul where the crusade will be held. It will bring joy to your heart.

It is our second planning meeting and first prayer meeting for your crusade and conference. We rented a auditorium for this prayer meeting. I can say God has really blessed our meeting today. We started the prayer meeting at 9.00 AM. There was about 283 people and pastors participated. It was really amazing that we did not expect. We expected around 200 people and pastors but there was great response. It brought great encouragement to us. We have been prayed for various concerns today. We prayed for you, your family, your ministry, your Church, your radio ministries, your efforts for the Bible College in India, your safe travel to India, and your ministry here with people and pastors. The prayer meeting ended at 1:00 PM.

Again we started our second planning meeting at 3:00 PM. We have about 37 persons in this planning meeting. We have planned different strategy for the success of crusade. We have planned several things for the conference. We have been planned to start the aggressive work from January 2007 first week onwards. We have decided to hold fast and prayer every month like this. We do believe that prayer brings great victory. Am I right? I know you would agree with me my brother Don. Things are going well here. May God Bless you!

Yours in His Missions,

Rev. I. Thomas Maher, Founder / President, The Indian Council of Missions

Holistic Ministry

Indian outreach efforts take the Biblical model seriously.

As I explained on page one, Project India is a partnership of DJEM and several local Indian ministries.

(You can learn more about each ministry—at least those with websites—at donjohnsonministries.org. Just click on the Project India icon.) As I have been getting to know these pastors

and evangelists, one characteristic has jumped out at me above all

else: their holistic approach to ministry. By that I mean that without exception, these outreach organizations minister to the whole person.

Although they are all

strongly focused on what we would consider traditional means of evangelism—preaching the Word, handing out Bibles and tracts, etc., they don't stop there. They also run orphanages and homes for widows and the elderly. They take care of

lepers and others who are outcast from society. They plant churches and establish Bible colleges to train

ministers to lead those churches. They are meeting not just spiritual needs, but physical and emotional and intellectual needs as well.

In short, they are participating in what the Bible describes as pure religion (James 1:27). It is no wonder that Christianity is spreading so quickly in India!

The more familiar I become with how ministry is being done in India, the more excited I am to get over there and be a part of it. I am

sure I will gain much more than I offer and learn much more than I teach.

Along with being an ambassador of the gospel to India, perhaps I can be an ambassador of Indian-style Christianity to North America.

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

James 1:27



Some of the over 200 orphans cared for by Feed My People

Partner Pics

Some of our friends.



Thomas Gaddam Jr. of Feed My People Ministries visited recently. We showed him the typical SoCal good time: Disneyland and the beach.



Many of the pastors who do follow up to the crusades and plant churches are trained at The Indian Council of Missions Bible College. Pictured are Rev. Thomas and his wife Selvi.



Baptism—notice the buffalo in the background.



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If this is your first newsletter and you would like to learn more about Don Johnson and DJEM, please contact us or visit our website. Donjohnsonministries.org contains background information about Don, articles about each of the major areas of ministry and the foundational philosophy of each one. And if that's not enough, you can listen to sermons and radio show archives, click through to other neat sites and read past newsletter articles. See you in cyberspace!

Organizational Details

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- Online at www.donjohnsonministries.org (you can use Visa, MasterCard or your bank account number via a PayPal account)
- By mailing a check or money order, payable to DJEM, to the address at left.

A note to Canadian supporters:

As an American non-profit corporation, donations to DJEM will not be tax deductible in Canada. If you would still like to support this ministry even without the tax break, I certainly appreciate it! Unfortunately, our bank recently stopped accepting Canadian checks, so if you would like to donate, please either do so online or mail funds in the form of a U.S. money order. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Prayer Requests

This is the biggest project we have ever attempted. Only God can make it happen.

Thank you so much for your continued support and encouragement. Please continue to pray for all our ongoing outreach efforts, and these things in particular.

- Pray for a continued spirit of unity and purpose among the men and women of so many different cultures (even within India) who are working together to reach the lost.
- Pray for the trip schedule to be finalized in a way that works well for everyone. I am hoping to visit five different ministries.
- Our base budget for the Spring India trip is \$17,000 (details of which are available upon request). Please pray that God would provide this and more.

God has opened the door for his message. "Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should" (Colossians 4:4). Pray also that God would meet all our financial and logistical needs.

- Pray for discernment and wisdom as we work at scheduling future trips. We simply can't accept every invitation and need to know where God is leading.

- My book is currently being edited. Please pray for wisdom in deciding what changes to make and in choosing a publishing option. I hope to have it available sometime in the first half of 2007.

- Pray for our family. Things are going well as we attempt to balance work, home-school and an increase in my travel. As you probably know, Kendra and I were expecting our third child in March. Sadly, we lost the baby at around 16 weeks. Thank you all for your overwhelming kindness during this hard time.



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