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WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD



I was hanging on to the back of the motor bike with one hand and grasping an umbrella with the other. I had been with a local pastor all day doing house visits. Now the rain had come and it was coming hard. As we zipped through the traffic we were completely drenched and shivering from the cold wind. We were high in the mountains of North India where the pastor was accustomed to riding his motor bike through the rain and snow. The motor bike was all he had so like most pastors he “made do.” But as the rain poured down my back and I shivered from the cold and the umbrella whipped me in the face, I thought, “Wouldn’t a car make this pastor’s ministry a lot more effective?” Shortly after, we were able to help this man purchase a car which allowed him to take teams of people into nearby villages to start new churches.

During the past 6 years I have met many dedicated people who have sacrificed so much to take the Gospel to where it has never been preached before. These men and women have committed themselves fully to do whatever it takes to advance the Kingdom of God. But one of the greatest hindrances to fruitful ministry is the inability to get to those they are trying to reach. It is a simple truth - hundreds of thousands of people remain unreached because Christians do not have transportation to get to them. The gift of a bicycle, motor bike, car or 4wd SUV can do more to advance the Kingdom of God than we can imagine.



There are pastors that will walk more than 20 miles a day ministering from village to village; pastors who oversee more than 100 house churches and their only transportation is a bicycle; ministry teams that long to go into the mountain villages to share the Jesus film but they have no car. In many cases the villages are so remote that a 4 wheel drive vehicle is required to travel there. Having transportation literally changes their lives and ministries.

During our next trip to India (March/April) it is our goal to purchase 5 motorcycles for house church leaders in a highly persecuted area and to help purchase a 4 wheel drive SUV for a ministry that is working high in the mountains of Kashmir. Paul said, *“How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent?”* Rom. 10:14-15. The gift of transportation will “send” many in order to “reach” many.

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COVERING TERRITORY THIS SPRING: Dan will be heading back to India Mar 22-Apr 25. This trip will involve travel to 6 states, and include conducting revival services at an Anglican church over Easter, helping with a leadership conference for 500 senior house church leaders, meeting with ministry partners, visiting and prayer walking mountain villages, conducting a pastors' conference and doing many, many house visits. Please cover Dan in prayer (see prayer points below). It's going to be an amazing journey, and we look forward to far reaching results.



CAMBODIA UPDATE FROM JENNI TAYLOR: During our 4th (final) seminar, the teachers came up in groups to give a presentation on stage prior to the graduation ceremony. They had worked together to come up with a creative way to teach 10 of the English words we had learned in the last 3 weeks. Everyone in the group had to participate and be as creative as possible. Wow, did they deliver! My teacher's heart was so full of joy to see these teachers take the stage to teach English using games, songs, and activities. A little girl was sitting behind me who had come with her mom. As she was watching the presentations, she was saying the English words under her breath to practice and learn. It was such a perfect picture of what we are hoping to accomplish—that every young girl and boy in the province will be learning English. We're off to a great start but there's much work ahead! Thank you for your prayers and

support of *Operation Water Drop*. Jenni's link: <https://www.razoo.com/story/5lovesenglisheducationcambodia>

JOIN US: UPCOMING TRIPS

We want to invite you to pray about joining us on a short term trip in 2018 to North India: Kashmir and Ladakh prayer journey Jun 15 – Jul 2, and September TBD. See short term missions section on website: www.5riversinternational.org

CURRENT GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

- Funds are needed for the India trip expenses in Mar/Apr (\$5,000).
- \$3,000 is needed for a leadership conference for 500 senior leaders in a persecuted area of the country.
- 5 motorcycles for 5 of these senior leaders who are part of a major house church network (\$5,000 needed).
- \$10,000 is needed to help a ministry purchase a 4wd vehicle to reach mountain villages in Kashmir.
- Support for our daughter, Jenni, who is in Cambodia, working with SEAPC missions in the educational realm, affecting thousands of children.
- Monthly support or gift of any amount to 5 Rivers for continued ministry growth and ability to help with needs as they arise on the field.

PLEASE PRAY...

For the trip to India Mar 22-Apr 25:

- Protection while traveling in many areas of the country.
- Good health from start to finish.
- Anointing of God's Presence.
- Wisdom during preparation time and throughout the journey.
- That the pastors and churches would be in unity seeking God for revival.
- For the leaders at the conferences to be edified, encouraged and set on fire to win souls and multiply house churches.
- For Dan and team to have open doors and fruitful ministry in Hindu mountain villages.

Please see complete list of Prayer Needs at: www.5riversinternational.org (prayer link on right)

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