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Pray without ceasing

(1 Thessalonians 5:17)

Keeping in touch with team members and Prayer Warriors.

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Dear Prayer Partners,

Loving greetings in the mighty name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Jesus desires that when we pray we should pray in His name (Jn 14:13-14). In other words, our prayers must be worthy of His name, in tune with His will and in line with His missions. We must be confident of His ability to fulfill and be willing to be His response and anticipate response corresponding to the prayers made (Matt 17:20). Otherwise our prayers may simply become a desire or a wish without any personal commitment or seriousness. It may simply become a self-gratifying exercise. Christian prayers as Jesus taught (Matt 6:9) must begin with God and end with God.

There was never more urgent than now and today when the World is in desperate need of a Christian prayer. As concerned prayer partners let us join our hearts to pray for this World ripped with violence. Let us pray for the needs of the local, national and International needs. However, let us begin with praise and thanksgiving first.

A. Praise & Thanksgiving :

- 1. We praise God for Mr. Sudhir Shaw, who retired from Good Books Educational Trust as Manager Production in the month of June 2016. He dedicated 36 years of his life to serve the Lord through GBET. He was bid farewell on 18th July 2016 with all due respect.*
- 2. Praise God for helping our follow-up ministry team as it visited three places in Chhattisgarh from May 8 to 10, 2016. Team members met a good number of radio program listeners. The response was very good and encouraging. On May 8, being Sunday, our team members worshipped God in NWGEL Church, Jashpur and shared the Word of God.*
- 3. We are also thankful to God for successful VBS Teachers' training program, which was organized by GBET in CNI, GELC and Mennonite Churches of Ranchi, Kharsidag, Lohardaga and Chandwa in the month of May 2016. This was a good opportunity to guide young teachers who would teach little children and plant the seed of the Word of God in their impressionable little minds.*

B. Prayer Requests :

Local Issues :

- 1. Pray for Garhwali Program Producer, Rajesh Mansell in Pauri, he is organizing Listeners' Meet in Ukkimath Rudraprayag near Kedarnath in the first week of August 2016.*

2. *Pray for the Bible Training Program organized by UESI Bible Study Centre, Kotagiri, Tamilnadu from 1st August to 13th August, 2016. Ms. Neelam Sonali Tirkey, Sr. Producer (Hindi) is going to participate in this training program. She will be proceeding to Kotagiri on July 29. Please pray for her safe journey.*
3. *The Annual General Meeting of Good Books Educational Trust will be held on 26th August 2016. Please pray for our Trustees and Board Members whose responsibility is to review the annual progress of the two organizations and give directions for the future.*
4. *Seekers' Meeting to be held on 19th and 20th August, 2016 at Srinagar for radio program listeners. Please pray that the Lord may prepare the hearts of people to attend this special meeting.*
5. *Pray for the Writers' Workshop to be held from 3rd to 6th October, 2016. Pray that interested and good Christian writers may be trained.*
6. *As we plan to start new Radio Programs in Ladakhi and Urdu languages, please pray that the Lord may give us good and committed people to write and record these programs.*
7. *We need volunteers to record magazine type programs in Saraji language. Please pray that we may find committed people to do this great work.*
8. *Please pray for Ashish, a regular listener of our Garhwali program, He was tormented by the evil spirits and had many sleepless nights. After prayer and counselling he felt strange relief inside and has been delivered. When he accepted Jesus as his Lord and personal Savior he has been thrown out of his house and is likely to face social boycott as well. Now he is in regular contact with Garhwali producer and listens to our radio program. Please pray for him.*
9. *Dogri Program Producer requests for prayer support for those listeners who after accepting Jesus as their Saviour are facing lots of opposition from their family members & relatives. Some of them have been driven out of their home.*
10. *Continue to pray for our Radio Ministry being done by GBET through eight programs viz. Mahima Ke Vachan & Asha Ki Kiran (Hindi), Premmey Kanney (Dogri), Asha Ku Raibar (Garhwali), Nur Agur (Kashmiri) and Rewa Ghie Tsik (Dzongkha) (Saraji & Odia programs are only on Website). Please pray for the producers of these programs that they may be renewed in their spirit and vision, and many more listeners may turn to God.*
11. *Please pray that our Monthly Hindi Magazine Masihi Ahwan (Christian Calling) may be printed and circulated on a regular basis, and that it may become an effective tool for spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ among Hindi speaking people.*

National Issues:

1. *Pray for the flood affected areas in India. Many people were killed in rain-related incidents in Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Assam with monsoon gaining momentum in several parts of North and Northeast India.*
2. *Please pray for the believers in east India, who have taken shelter in the another village to protect their lives. Fifty anti-Christian extremists attacked their church when they were worshipping. The extremists assaulted and beaten up everyone in the church including women and children with sticks and rods. They demanded that either Christians should leave the village or face even more dreadful consequences.*

International Issues:

1. *Please pray for the Church in Russia. According to the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF), Russian President Vladimir Putin signed into law measures that redefine “missionary activities” as religious practices that take place outside of state-sanctioned sites. The new law will ban “preaching, praying, proselytizing, and disseminating religious materials” outside of sites officially designated by the state. The new law will impede the spread of the Gospel and threatens to curtail the expression of our Christian brothers and sisters in that country.*
2. *Please pray for the presidential election in USA that the Lord will bring the right person in authority to impact the nation for its important national and global witness to the glory of God.*

We deeply appreciate your partnership in prayers. May the good Lord continue to enrich your life and ministry.

Sincerely yours in Jesus,



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