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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,

In Psalm 107, the psalmist begins with saying, "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good and his love endures forever." Indeed, the God of the Bible is good and so let's give thanks to Him. Let's submit all our sorrows and worries to Him, because He is faithful and He would surely meet all our essential needs. He performs miracles by bringing the right people and by removing the wrong ones from our life. He closes some doors and yet opens new ones to bring better opportunities in our life. Let's thank him and let us introduce Him to those who are unaware of Him.

A. Praise & Thanksgiving :

- 1. We thank God for the success of the 41st Annual General Meeting of Good Books Educational Trust which was organized in the Hotel Capitol Hill, Ranchi, on 26th August 2016. All the Trustees and Board Members reviewed the annual progress of the organization and gave directions for the future in the meeting. The message on the theme: "Building the Body of Christ" was given by Dr. Kurt Selles, Director of BTGMI, USA.*
- 2. We praise God for the safe and successful visits of Dr. Kurt Selles, Mr. Lee DeYoung, and Dr. A. K. Lama to the pioneering areas in Ladakh, Kashmir, Bhutan, and Arunachal, covering more than 10000 miles in the Northern Himalayan region in order to explore unreached people groups among whom new radio programs may be started this year. They were able to meet potential producers and pray for them.*
- 3. We praise to the Lord for the successful establishment of the extension of GBET, media ministry, Drupka Educational Society in Dalsingpara, a small village located in Jalpaiguri District of West Bengal on August 23rd 2016. The new recording studio was inaugurated by Dr. Kurt Selles, Director of BTGMI, USA. Mr. Lee De Young, Vice President of WOH, USA, was also present during the inauguration.*
- 4. Let's praise God that one of our Hindi producers Ms Neelam Sonali Tirkey participated in the Bible Training Program organized by UESI (Union of Evangelical Student of India) Training Department at Highfields, Kotagiri (Tamil Nadu). The Training was held from 1st August to 13th August 2016. Also thank God that He gave protection in all her journey.*

B. Prayer Requests :

Local Issues :

- 1. Pray for the team of Drupka Educational Society, so that they may be successful in spreading the gospel programs in Dzongkha, Tsangla, Monpa, Lepcha, Bodo and other Himalayan tribal languages. Also pray that the listeners can be reached through the Radio Waves, Internet and other various means, and they can understand the love of God and turn to Him in repentance and for obedience.*
- 2. Pray for the Hindi Writers' Training Workshop to be organized by Good Books Educational Trust from 31st October to 3rd November 2016, at Social Development Center, Ranchi. Pray that the participants could be trained well and will be able to contribute in our Hindi magazine, Masihi Ahwan (Christian Calling).*
- 3. 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. Also pray for the increase in subscription of the magazine.

4. Pray for the Editorial Board Meeting of Masihi Ahwan to be held on 4th November 2016, so that it could be success with the blessings of God.
5. Pray for the follow up teams of the GBET, so that they may conduct regular follow up visits and organize follow up meetings time to time in their areas in good guidance and make people understand and receive the Word of God in their own languages.
6. Pray for the youngsters of the world so that they may walk in the right path in their life and lead a good life.
7. Please 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). 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. Also pray for the good radio frequency.
8. Pray for the political leaders, bureaucrats, and the leaders of the civic society that they may be bold and courageous to stand against injustices or religious persecutions caused to the Christian minority.

National Issues:

1. Pray for Ram Naresh of Balrampur, C. G., a regular listener of our Hindi radio program, who is suffering from eye sight problem.
2. Pray for Anand Masih Topno, who lives in Tinsukia Assam, so that his family may be freed from the evil spirits and they may live in peace and harmony.
3. Please pray for Dr. Hemant Kumar from Bhagalpur, Bihar, as he requests to pray for the Radio Listeners' Club and its members, so that they may listen our Hindi radio programs and grow spiritually.
4. Pray for Satish Kumar of Kinnaur, Himachal Pradesh. He is suffering from body pain since the last 3 years.
5. Please pray for the nineteen new believers of Pauri Garhwal, who accepted Jesus as their personal Saviour and took baptism in His name after listing our Garhwali radio program. They all have joined the Methodist Church. Also pray that they may grow strong in faith and fellowship of God's people.
6. Pray for the arrangements of Radhe's marriage, our Saraji Producer, with a believer girl, Laxmi. On 24th August his Engagement Ceremony held at Udhampur. His marriage will be in the beginning of 2017.
7. Pray for the peace and harmony in the state of Jammu and Kashmir.
8. A protestant pastor was beaten up by the members of religious fundamentalist group in Gonda district of Uttar Pradesh during a prayer meeting. They broke into the house interrupting the meeting, threatened the church members and started beating the pastor

and accused him for proselytizing. Please pray for the injured pastor so that his wounds will be healed and the religious fundamentalists may know and understand the Word of God.

9. *Pray for the people of Kandhamal district of Odisha, who are suffering from the country's worst anti-Christian violence. Anti-violence has engulfed more than 600 villagers and have killed 100 people, which included disables, elderly people, women and children. Making 56,000 people homeless about 350 churches and 6500 houses were looted and burned down. Several rape cases took place, which included the catholic nuns. The situation is so bad that the victims are suffering and are still in rehabilitation camps and are not able to return home although it has been 8 years since the violence took place.*
10. *Pray for the people of Bihar who are affected by the flood. The water level in Kahalgaon of Bhagalpur district is flowing over danger mark. About 652 relief camps were being run in flood hit areas, which has sheltered 3.90 lakh people and 402 teams are been provided with medical services.*

International Issues:

1. *Terrorists broke away from Taliban and attacked a Christian village and a court complex in North West Pakistan on 2nd September 2016, which killed 12 people and injured a dozen. Please pray for the people suffering with injuries and those who have lost their families in the attack by a terrorist group Jamaat-ur-Ahrar, so that they may overcome from the sorrows and pain.*
2. *In Iran an atheist group has taken a legal action against a National Baptist Convention, accusing that it's for taking grants from the Kansas City and violating and separating the church and state, which is considered to be the unconstitutional. Whereas, City Baptist minister disagrees to this allegation and says, "All of us are in tears. I'm up at night praying. That's all I know to do." Please join hands with the minister so that he may overcome the allegations.*

Amidst many bad news, there are good news. The good news is that HE is seated on the throne (Isa 6:1-3) and He is in control of the present and the future. Yes, we might see the rise of the evil ones causing chaos and despair but the Bible says that ultimately the wicked will be destroyed and the righteous shall not only be vindicated but also rewarded. Hence we live everyday as the ones whose HOPE is sure and certain. Let us serve Him with joy and delight.

Blessings



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