



Happy New Year!



As I write this it is New Year's Day, traditionally a time for reflection and planning. Long since I stopped New Year's resolutions in favor of merely setting some goals, usually more general than specific, for the coming year.

2015 for the ministry of *Christ In You* appears to continue with momentum of past successes. The road ahead looks encouraging as we help to enable church planting and evangelism in our key regions of Togo (West Africa), Uganda (East Africa), and India.



Sunset on the Ganges River, Haridwar

I just spoke with our associate in India, Simon Haqq, who told me that he was invited to speak in a church in New Delhi for a New Year's service. When he gave the invitation to accept Christ 200 people responded! I told him he is off to a very good start for 2015.

In fact a year ago he wrote me a very encouraging note which I just came across today:

Dear Paul Bhaya,

Hope you had a great Christmas and I pray you have very fruitful New Year in every area on you life.

We too had a great Christmas services in Haridwar. If you remember, we were beaten once in a village called Badhrigrah. In that same village about 800 people attended our service. There were close to 400 new people who heard the gospel for the first time and received Jesus as their Lord and Saviour!



To our excitement people who opposed our meeting last time also had a function and only 13 people attended their function.

The Lord has opened a new door through an outstanding miracle in Mainpuri among the Yadav community. This is the most dangerous group in Uttar Pradesh.

Last year when we were visiting the village a lady came for prayer to receive a baby. She belonged to family of Panchayats of the village. She was barren and called cursed in her village.

As I prayed she burst into tears and the Lord impressed in my heart to say, "Next time when I see you, you will have a baby boy."

By God's grace the words came to pass. Now the whole village wants to hear about Jesus.

Thank you for being a blessing in my life and through my life.



With Love,

Simon

Thanks for standing by this ministry and supporting it with your prayers and contributions.

With hopes and prayers for the new year,

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