

## **Getting Ready for Christmas in India**



God has opened many doors for Simon Haqq (our associate in India), and what I love about him is that he is so humble and simple in his love for Jesus.

For years we've sponsored Christmas meetings in Delhi. This is one time when Hindus will listen to the gospel because they like Christmas music and the tinsel and all the paraphernalia that goes with Christmas.

About 3 or 4 years ago there was a man who attended and was moved by the message that Simon preached. It turned out he owned a television station which was a 24 hour Hindu station with gurus speaking at their various timeslots. He asked Simon to have a 15 minute televised program. Simon was the only Christian on this television station!

This did not cost Simon anything and it reached all over the country of India to millions of people and lasted for several months, perhaps a year. Many people were writing letters and he would write back regarding the gospel. It was a tremendous opportunity.

Without fail hundreds of people come to know the Lord during these open air Christmas meetings in the city of Delhi.

Here's a letter we received from Simon just after last year's Christmas meetings:

Dear Brother Paul,

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

We too had great Christmas services in Haridwar. If you remember where we were beaten once in a village called Badhrigrah. 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 a 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. We will be holding meetings in February.

I will be sharing with you more testimonies during this week brother. Thank you for being a blessing in my life and through my life.

With Love	,
Simon	
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## Impact!

Considering the relatively low cost, we have quite an impact during these Christmas meetings. We try to raise \$2,000 each year for these open air Christmas meetings. That's the one time of year when Hindus love to sing and hear Christmas carols, and they are more receptive to hear the Gospel.

Can you help out with an extra contribution? \$100? \$50? Any amount will help! Thanks so much.



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