



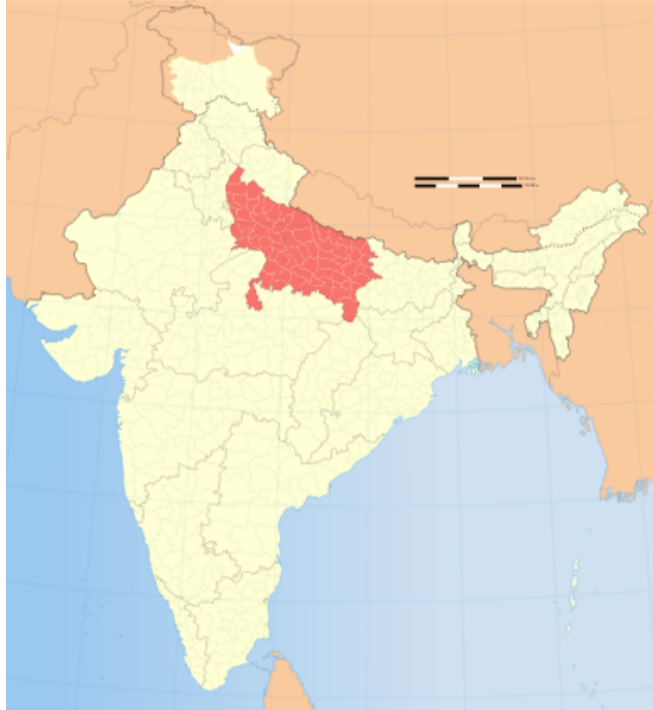
# Christ In You

## Breaking News!

Just a few minutes ago I spoke on the phone with our associate, evangelist Simon Haqq, who completed tonight his first meeting in a three night evangelistic service in the city of Shahjahanpur in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh.

It's afternoon here but nighttime has just completed and many received Christ as Savior.

The regional leader of the BJP party attended the meeting. As a gesture of courtesy to a government official Simon invited this political leader to say a few words to the crowd.



You must understand that the BJP party is the one currently in power and is known to be led by fanatical Hindus. Many Christians in India have had a difficult time of persecution since the last election when the BJP Party was placed in power.

This particular BJP leader gave a few polite words of greetings to the crowd. He told Simon privately that he knew a little bit about Jesus but not very much. He wondered if he could stay around and hear Simon's message! He had to leave shortly but wanted to hear Simon speak.

Normally these meetings have an extended time of singing and worship and praise as well as prayers led by various local pastors. But when this BJP political leader wanted to hear about Jesus, Simon immediately change the whole order of service and began to jump right into preaching a sermon of evangelism. **When Simon gave the invitation to receive Jesus Christ this political leader stood to his feet and received Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior!**

There are two more nights to go. This was only the first night! Simon expects this political leader as well as many others to attend a swelling crowd of people. In addition the chief of police of the entire district of that part of India was also in attendance and he listened intently.

**Please pray that the next two nights will be filled with the power of God and many more will come to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior!**

Paul Rains

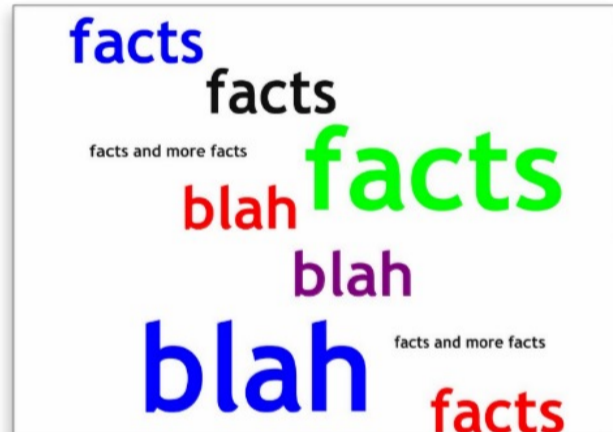
### Latest Religious Census of India

Today I received a letter from Joseph Kennedy, the Chancellor of Heritage Christian College in Manipur:

*"Attached is the latest census of India. It is agonizing to see that Christianity is just 2.6% and still not growing. The challenge is great and urgent. Let us be challenged: If not now, when? If not us, who? Let us pray the Lord of the harvest that He may send His laborers into His harvest."*

### The Census

Below are the latest government statistics, rather tedious and arcane for most people. The bottom line is **there is a lot of evangelism to do in India!**



New Delhi, Aug 25 (IANS) Census 2011 on Tuesday revealed Hindus constitute 79.8 percent and Muslims 14.2 percent of the population in India, with the proportion of Hindus to total population in 2011 slipping by 0.7 percent.

While the growth rate of population from 2001 to 2011 was the highest among the Muslims at 24.6 percent, for Hindus it was 16.8 percent, Christians 15.5 percent, Sikhs 8.4 percent, Buddhists 6.1 percent and Jains 5.4 percent, the data released by the Registrar General and Census Commissioner revealed here on Tuesday.

The overall growth rate of population was 17.7 percent.

Of the total population of 121.09 crore in 2011, Hindus were 96.63 crores (79.8 percent); Muslims 17.22 crores (14.2 percent); Christians 2.78 crores (2.3 percent); Sikhs 2.08 crores (1.7 percent); Buddhists 0.84 crores (0.7 percent); Jains 0.45 crores (0.4 percent), other religions and persuasions (ORP) 0.79 crores (0.7 percent).

The data also showed that 0.29 crore (0.2 percent) of the population had not stated its religion.

According to a home ministry release, the proportion of Muslim population to total population in 2011 had increased by 0.8 percentage points while there had been no significant change in the proportion of Christians and Jains.

"The proportion of Hindu population to total population in 2011 has declined by 0.7 percentage point (PP), the proportion of Sikh population has declined by 0.2 PP and the Buddhist population has declined by 0.1 PP during the decade 2001-2011," the release said



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