



Whirlwind Missions

Outreach Update July 2011



Hello, my friends!

The teams are here! It's always wonderful to see enthusiastic youngsters doing their best for the Lord. I had an especially good time with the team from FBC Jonesboro. They brought their choir of seventy kids up to work in the International Village.

Each group is made up of separate teams of around ten people. Each team covers two locations. This week we're covering twenty four different apartment complexes, four of which have NEVER had any evangelical work! We'll share the Gospel with over four thousand kids and parents this week alone!

In the mornings, I take the team on a tour of the International Village. One of our stops is at the Hindu temple at the Global Mall. I took the choir up to the temple to meet the Hindu priest Maudab.

I walked up to Maudab with my palms together, "Namaste!" He was so happy to see me. "Namaste, Tim!"

"It's good to see you, brother! My friends here are from Jonesboro! They are a wonderful choir. They have a gift for you."

Maudab looked intrigued.

"They have a song for you!" I looked over to Julie, their choir director. My eyes told her, "Figure out something quick!" Julie quickly organized her kids and broke into a praise song about how wonderful our God is. It was AWESOME! The strains of their music flooded that temple and went down the halls of the largest Indian mall in America! Maudab had a shocked look on his face. He seemed kind of freaked out. I thought maybe I'd gone WAY too far with this one! As the song ended, he clapped a bit and looked ok. Whew!

That was an amazing experience. I'm pretty sure that's the first Baptist choir to sing in a Hindu temple!

Amazing things happen on the mission field. One of my partners told me she'd shared the Gospel with a young man at one of the complexes. She asked him where he went to church. "I don't go to church." He paused. "I'm a vampire."

My friend didn't miss a beat! "Blood is precious to Christians too. It's the blood of Jesus that saves us from our sins. I'd love for you to accept Him as your personal saviour!" He didn't do that, but he did allow my friend to pray for him and his girlfriend.

From Hindu priests to vampires . . . Welcome to my world!

Sometimes our work with the kids can be pretty funny. We shared the story of heaven to a group of youngsters. One of them had a quizzical look on his face. "Isn't Heaven in Florida?" I shook my head and laughed. "No, brother, it's not in Florida! But when you accept Jesus into your heart you can be sure you'll go there one day!" I look forward to seeing him one day in Heaven. The real one. Not the one in Florida.





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