



"For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God."
I Thessalonians 1:9

September 2025

Dear Praying Friends,

I am writing with much appreciation for your love, as evidenced by your support. This letter is my way of showing you the fruits of your sacrifice.

IT PAYS TO LISTEN!

Reaksa is a girl who has attended (and sometimes afflicted) our church for a year or so. We love her deeply, but she is like a butterfly. She has a hard time concentrating for long and moves about constantly. Many times, we have tried to share the Gospel one on one with her, but to no avail. Recently, I decided to give it one more try. As usual, it seemed like she was distracted and not understanding, but a girl named Seyla, who is Reaksa's age, came to the rescue. Seyla was saved in our church and has a good grasp of the Gospel. She strictly told Reaksa to listen, corrected her wrong answers, and may well have been the reason Reaksa listened and believed unto salvation.

TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE!

Recently, a man by the name of Samnang joined our ministry. He supports his family as a public-school teacher. Previously to us, he was already saved and had some limited ministry experience. Together, we went to see a man I have been dealing with for a long time. This man had assented to my explanation of the Gospel on several occasions, but it seemed as if the light was not on. However, on this last time, with Mr. Samnang's help, this man not only assented, but affirmed in a personal way his faith in Christ alone.

VARIOUS SALVATION STORIES

- A cleaning lady at an animal park in Cambodia
- A Catholic boy raising money for a school project in California
- Two Hispanic boys near Long Beach, California
- While visiting India, a man named Nagaraj received Christ, while his entire family watched.
- My wife's nephew, Abhishek (age 11), prayed for salvation.

HE RUINED MY GAME!

On a recent trip to Lancaster, California, a pastor friend and his daughter invited my family to enjoy some bowling together. I only play once in a great while, but amazingly that night, I had just completed three strikes in a row and was hopeful for more. Near us in the next lane was a young man, an employee of the bowling arena. In between his duties, he took some time to play a solo game by himself. While he was taking a break, I took some time to share the Gospel with him, and after a while,

he agreed to place his faith in Jesus alone. By then, my son had taken my spot bowling and finished for me. (He did NOT get any strikes!) That night, I lost my chance for a historic score, but I gained something far more valuable!

WHO WILL TAKE HIS PLACE?

Most of you know that my wife's brother, Pastor Samuel John, passed away this August. He had a productive church in the midst of a Hindu community up until the end. About 300 people, including many pastors, attended his memorial service. Please pray for the church, his wife, and two sons. The work will continue, but a one-time contribution to the ministry would be a blessing. Our missionary number is 17, and we will forward any funds to the family.

A NEW BEGINNING!

Both of our children recently started their freshman year in Bible college. On behalf of Joseph and Jerusha, we as parents want to thank you for every prayer offered up for their wellbeing. Thank you for every card and gift sent as well. Upon receiving each card or gift, we told them the name of the church and corresponding city and then required them to pray for that specific church and pastor. "Thank you" does not express the full appreciation in our hearts.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Wisdom for Samuel John's church and family, as they navigate this change with many tears
- A productive ministry relationship between Mr. Samnang and me
- For four people who need to be baptized: Seyla, Reaksa, Theara (teen boy), and one adult man

Sincerely,

Walter Poole and Family



Pastor Samuel John at the Baptism of His Son



*Bowling Lane Employee
Getting Saved*



Seyla



Reaksa