

### Sharing the Love of God in India, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Starkville MS, and the USA

As we close our 46th year of ministry, we are more convinced than ever that the only hope for nations is for individuals to walk in the love, grace, and mercy of Christ. And the only way for them to know Him is for someone to share...



Pakistani believers rejoicing. Dozens are coming to Christ each month through meetings like these. Food and other essentials are often distributed.



Christmas Party with Youth Community Explosion kids and staff. Mid-way thru our 3rd year, we have served more than 50 youth and their families.

# 2017—A Year in Review

Ghuna Kumar gathers students, orphans, faculty, staff, to give thanks for 25 years of ministry.





Terrorism has prevented our participation in recent years, but we are continuing to build new churches through our partnership with the Methodist Church.

### Methodist Evangelical Fellowship—Nigeria

Sir J.K. and Lady Helen Udeze were recently honored for their faithful ministry in evangelism.
Lay persons in the Methodist Church Nigeria are "knighted" for exemplary leadership. This is a recent additional honor.



We have helped start more than 260 churches in Nigeria; many still need a permanent structure for worship.





In mid-October, laws were enacted in Nepal making evangelism and Christian conversion illegal. In spite of this our precious partners continue to share the Gospel in the most—remote parts of this beautiful land, which is bound by ancient religious beliefs and practices. Pray that they are bold and full of the Spirit as they share. Also in October, Chan Poudel, son of Ganesh, our director in Nepal—completed his seminary training in the Philippines and returned to Nepal to join the ministry staff.



#### Catch the Holy Fire Ministries, Pakistan





In October — a tough month for Asian Christians, 42 Christians were convicted of murder when they rioted following the bombing of 2 occupied churches. 100 Muslims were acquitted for burning homes and killing many Christians. And, yet, our partners in that same city continue to faithfully preach Good News in Jesus and share the amazing grace and love of God.





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#### "For God so loved the world that He gave..."

Giving...that's what Christmas is all about. Giving life...that's what God intended for it to be about. Eternal life.

All across the world, the ministries of Christian World Missions are giving life wherever they go, whatever they do. Through acts of compassion, humanitarian relief, and friendship, our partners are extending God's hand of love and salvation. 2017 has been a year of increased persecution of Christians across the globe, even in the U.S., but "where sin abounds, grace does much more abound," and that is exactly what we are seeing.

Won't you take a quick journey with us back through 2017 and then consider partnering with us as we expand our outreach in 2018? Pray about joining our team of Keepers, too, and walk along side us as we share God's love.



#### YOUTH COMMUNITY EXPLOSION—STARKVILLE, MS



Now in our 3rd year, YCE has impacted more than 50 youth and their families in discipleship, tutoring, mentoring, and leadership training. In 2018, we will be proposing to youth court that YCE be considered an alternative to detention for

non-violent offenders, 9-17 years-old. Pray with us as we expand our outreach to youth who are at such a critical time in their lives.





Kids who used to have anger issues are now helping to lead our younger youth; those who once complained loudly when asked to serve others now bring ideas to the table for service projects. Fun now comes in harmless ways, not at someone else's expense. Developing Godly character is as important as academic achievement and financial stability, and immensely more important than popularity, being cool, or being feared. That is why we make a priority of Bible study, mentoring, and modeling healthy lifestyles and relationships. Knowing you are loved and have a place to belong, a value that you alone can bring, is



Touring museums helps you learn about how others did great things. Serving those who serve you helps you learn how you can do great things!



YCE CREED: It is my desire to glorify God as an endless flame.

It is my commitment to walk by faith and not be ashamed. It is my hope to be the spark of light in this dark world, and my promise to ignite my world.



Introducing our youth to the possibilities that await them is an important part of what we do. Here, the boys are enjoying the "fun" part of an agricultural exhibit sponsored by Mississippi State University. This year, they have toured several universities, industries, and museums. We have also hosted a career fair and had visiting speakers address subjects like banking, entrepreneurship, hair-dressing, nursing, etc.

Now into our 3rd year, YCE has truly made a difference in the lives of the youth of North Starkville. C-level students are now taking high school AP classes. They are looking ahead toward college and taking steps to achieve their goals. We have an army of volunteers who serve weekly as tutors, and others who volunteer to chaperone trips or make the daily meal. We have even had several local artisans share their talents and give introductory lessons in dance, painting, and crafting.





Left: Kennedy and Omariana, who graduated from our program last year and have returned as junior counselors, are pictured here with Cyla, a 6th grader.

Right: Our current youth staff: Blake Adams, Maggie Connor, Leah Winters, and Sarah Brister.



"God sees you in your destiny, not in your history." Bill Buckley