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Report from the Front Lines: Staying Centered and Moving Forward Together

From Pastor K.K. Alavi and Dr. Abdul Messiah



fields bearing witness primarily to Muslims. Our ministries continue to expand and are spread across all states of India and beyond.

In 1979, Bishara's work began in a small one-room house rented at Manjeri in the State of Kerala, later expanding to its present status. Over the past 45 years the Lord has raised up many friends and well-wishers world-wide who support this ministry through their prayers and gifts. New Hope Mission Society has been one of these vital partners for nearly 25 of those years.

Bible College Moves the Witness Forward: The Shaliach Institute was given birth out of a conviction

Beginnings: Markuz ul Bishara was established to train, and equip Christ-like leaders to engage and continue God's mission. By obeying the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ, our team of leaders works in mission

that K.K. Alavi held deep within himself that the testimony of Jesus Christ is seriously jeopardized without new witnesses prepared to extend world evangelization. The Shaliach Institute, Bible College, seeks to be instrumental in God's hand in calling the Church back to the Bible as God's Word and to the Gospel as its mission to the world.



The program is Bible-based, Christ-centered, and ministry-oriented. It is our responsibility to preach the Gospel to our fellow Indians and preserve the faith and freedom of our children. SBC offers different programs to train and equip leaders. **So far 150 students have graduated and are working in remote areas of our country. Many have started house churches in the villages and serve the community in multiple ways.**

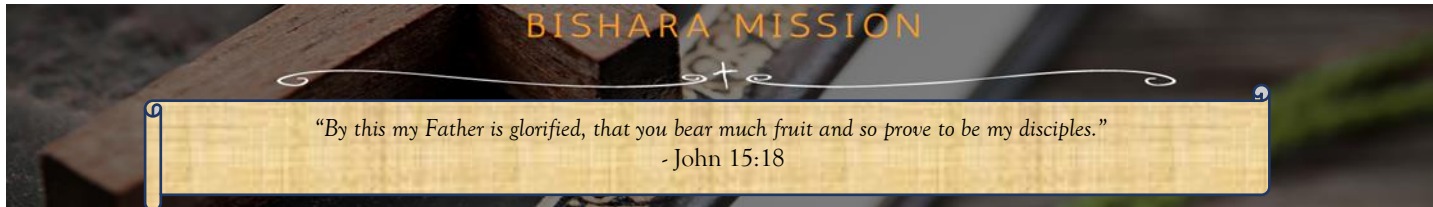
House Churches, Opportunities and Challenges

The settings are not glamorous and the challenges are great, but students trained at the Shaliach's Bible College are bearing powerful witness. In these pictures you see that, without pay or official titles the Good News of Jesus Christ is presented with many drawn to Christ through these humble witnesses. When a new family member comes to know Christ as their personal Lord and Savior, they reach out to other family members in their



villages to join in fellowship with them. Many of them become a part of this house church. These house churches typically range from 10 to 30 people. One special benefit of these house churches is that they help to break the caste system, bringing people together from different backgrounds and social classes.

Hindus and Muslims are predominant in India, and often may persecute family members who express any interest in Christ. The cost may be high, but the joy of being one with our gracious and merciful Savior keeps drawing many to face these challenges.



Literature Witness Continues

From the earliest days of Pastor K.K. Alavi's witness to Jesus Christ, sharing literature that lifts up the Good News of Jesus Christ has remained a major way to reach Muslims. Placing quotes from the Koran leads folk to read the literature and often to engage with students of the Bible College as they hand out these booklets and pamphlets. Our funds over the many years of this partnership provide for the printing of these material prepared by Pastor Alavi.

Festival Worship and Celebratory Meals Extend Witness

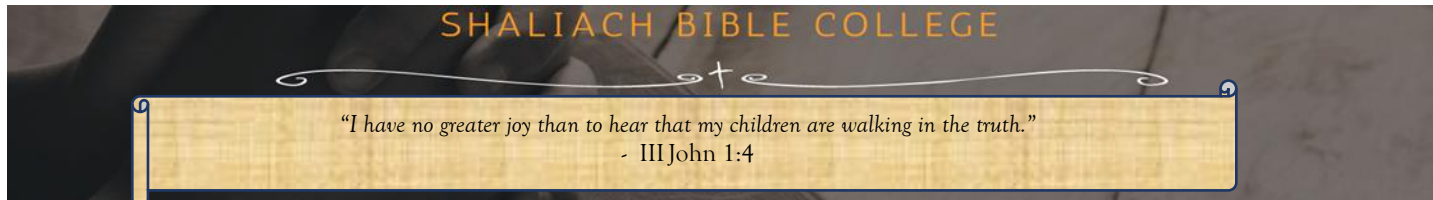
Pictured here is a recent Festival of the Resurrection worship service in which members of the local community were invited to the Bishara campus for worship. This provides an opportunity to have community members gather in a beautiful sanctuary to worship and hear the good news declared, that Jesus Christ is risen to be everyone's Lord and Savior!

Following this celebratory worship, the Bishara community and staff provide a festive meal for the community, a time for nurturing the body and building a loving community.



New Hope Mission Society desires to bring the love of Jesus Christ to the Muslim world.





Stay Tuned - A Video-Taped Interview with Pastor K.K. Alavi Is Coming Soon

Pastor K. K. Alavi’s story and witness needs to be preserved and shared for generations to come. To that end, NHMS supporters have funded the preparation of an interview with K.K. A delegation from NHMS went to India recently with one of the participants, Zeke Hanson, a professional videographer, conducting interviews that are now near completion in video form. Look forward to their being available for viewing soon.

Thank you to supporters of NHMS who have covered the cost of this video project. Thank you also to those who went with Zeke to renew our bonds of love and appreciation for this powerful witness. We are thankful also for Dr. Abdul Messiah, K.K.’s son, who is assuming many aspects of the leadership of this mission we support.

Financial Update: Thank You and an Invitation to Renewed Generous Support

The past year was marked by steady support for the witness of NHMS. Total giving for the year for the primary ongoing mission, especially with our partners in India, totaled \$117,932. Special giving covered other designated purposes, such as the video interview with K.K. Alavi, Share the Love sewing initiative, and Abdul’s surgery for a grand total of over \$131,000.

Board members of NHMS express their gratitude on behalf of these recipients.

Challenges are facing us as we begin 2024. We have received special gifts for projects, for which we are thankful. Our giving to cover the monthly commitments we have to the Bishara Center and Bible College are approximately \$7,000 short. Your NHMS leaders know giving ebbs and flows. We invite you to consider prayerfully how you can respond and support these missions in the coming months.



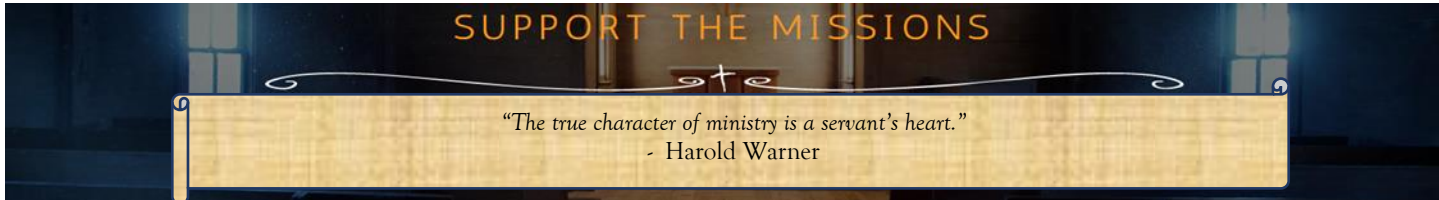
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