

The Impact

"Our students become successful pastors, church leaders, missionaries, evangelists and volunteers for the sake of the gospel of Jesus Christ, equipping people and strengthening them. During their training they are involved in outreach and evangelism, children's Bible clubs and other ministries. They focus on the areas and people groups where there is **no church and no Christian presence**. One of the bishops said, 'West Bengal's School of Evangelism is the lifeline of the state.'"

ANJAN SINGH, Calcutta, West Bengal, India

"A new era began in Orissa state in 1992 when Evangelism Resources opened the second of India's Schools of Evangelism. Since then those schools have been increasingly established as one of the major training programs of our country, breaking the shackles of stagnant church growth."

BISHOP D.B. HRUDAYA, Balasore, Orissa, India

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SCHOOLS OF EVANGELISM

"And this gospel of the KINGDOM shall be preached..."



...in all the world



I shall be My witness

for a WITNESS



MAKE DISCIPLES



Baptizing them



I will be with you

UNTO ALL NATIONS

Schools of Evangelism



Kinshasa School of Evangelism, D.R. Congo, Africa

THE MANDATE

The church's exponential growth in recent years around the world demands more trained leaders who can disciple the Church and new believers. Schools of Evangelism (SOEs) are helping to meet this need in more than 13 nations.

The church at large needs to fulfill its primary purpose: to know God, to worship Him, and to make Him known. Evangelism is the best way to fulfill The Great Commission, yet most churches do not have effective programs dedicated to reaching the lost for Jesus Christ.

Schools of Evangelism train international leaders who have demonstrated a heart for spreading the gospel. They must show spiritual maturity and manifest the spiritual gifts needed for leadership. When graduates return to their ministries, evangelism is no longer confined to two weeks at the end of the year, or just a part of another isolated event. Evangelism becomes an *every-day, every-member activity of the church.*

THE COST

Evangelism Resources supports the training of one SOE student for a mere \$400 per year. Other costs for training are borne by the students themselves, local churches, or industries operated by students, including crafts and agriculture.

THE METHOD

Since 1985, nearly 10,000 men and women have received nine months of training, with current enrollments producing about 1,000 new evangelists every year! SOE students are taught to think in five ways:

◆ **BIBLICALLY...** Courses offer a study of the Biblical foundation of church growth and its principles.

◆ **HISTORICALLY...** A study of missions, church growth, and movements of evangelism through the ages sharpens students' historical perspective on ministries as they learn from past failures and victories.

◆ **STRATEGICALLY...** The study and application of projects to mobilize and train the laity prepare students to evaluate church growth and reach unreached people groups. Five-year plans of action are developed to be presented to denominational leaders after graduation.

◆ **DENOMINATION-WIDE...** Students learn how to preach evangelistically, how to hold open-air meetings, how to lead people to Christ and how to disciple them. Training is also given in church planting and organizing a department of evangelism in the denomination.

◆ **NATIONWIDE AND WORLDWIDE...** Plans to reach the whole nation and beyond are developed, based on ongoing national movements of evangelism.



2008 SOE graduates in Bihar, India

Only \$400 trains one student!

WHY INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP?

History is hurtling rapidly to a close. Soon the sky will split, the trumpets will sound, and Jesus will return. For more than a century the main focus of missions has been to train and send expatriate missionaries to evangelize in foreign lands. Today's world is openly more hostile to Christianity, as evidenced by increased persecution and the closing of the borders in some countries to foreign missionaries. Soon the only evangelists in some nations will be the leaders who already live there. They need the skills to teach and train others to reach **their own people** with the gospel of Jesus Christ. This approach eliminates the need for expensive housing, language training and delays while the missionary adjusts to a new culture. The need for more Schools of Evangelism is urgent and timely. For now the doors in most nations remain open. But the nagging question is this... **"...for how long?"**

...and then
THE END
will come!"

Matt.24:14

