EVANGELISM RESOURCES

I asked myself that question when I was 17, walking the halls of my high school—blind to both my presumptuousness and the irony I was falling headlong into.

The fuzzy voice of an office secretary echoed through our hallways of metal lockers and concrete walls, announcing an interest meeting for Mandarin classes. "A waste of time," I thought to myself. "I could barely stand one year of German. Who on earth would study Chinese?" Just two years later, I was laughing at that 17-year-old me. And I knew exactly who would study Chinese.

I started Mandarin classes my first semester in college. It seemed like a good idea, since I'd be traveling to Hong Kong in a few months. A man from my church had persistently urged me to join his annual mission trip there. A few years back, it had looked like a dangerous—even crazy job, one reserved for "super" Christians. Then came a sudden longing to explore the world, and it bested me. I was going to China.

By the end of that one-week trip, I'd crossed the Hong Kong border into Mainland China eight times. Each crossing, I hauled a lumpy bag packed with Bibles that would go to underground churches in places I thought I'd never come close to.

FROM HAYS to

"What teenage American living in a small town like Hays, Kansas would ever want to learn Chinese???"

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This was before I knew about UPGs or even understood the 10/40 Window. Still, God had planted a seed. And from an adolescent thirst for adventure, He cultivated a passion in me to reach China for His Kingdom.

The next few years formed around this newfound desire. I joined an international student ministry, filling most of my spare time with it. If I wasn't working or in class, I was studying Chinese, attending some cultural event, or spending time with internationals. I eventually returned to Asia for two months—this time to a small city, where I shared the gospel with university students. That summer, as I daily walked through crowded streets, bustling with thousands who had no idea Christ loved and died for them, I felt more fully than ever God's compassion towards a lost world.

Fast forward a year, I arrived in Kentucky to intern with ER. Just as I was searching for internships, and just as ER was looking to expand their ministry to China, God brought us together. During my internship, I became well acquainted with members of a local Chinese Christian Church, where I taught English classes and joined Bible studies; I traveled to an annual conference for a Chinese Christian association to share with and learn from believers in other regional churches; and I caught onto ER's vision for reaching China.

Now, this raises the question: how do we reach China?

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Testimon 1

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These "Testimonies of Redemption" are just a selection from many amazing testimonies we've recently received from ER's international partners.

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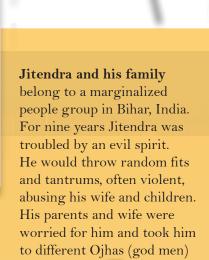
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Priyanka and Tuntun

had been married seven years but had no child. Priyanka was taunted by her in-laws and neighbors for not having a child of her own. She longed for children and cried incessantly. She prayed to her "gods" but there was no response.

One day she met Pastor Rajeev and his team and heard about Jesus Christ and what He had done for His people. She started praying to Him and devoted herself fully to Him. Her husband followed her footsteps. One year after becoming a believer, she gave birth to a son.

Tuntun concluded their story with the following, "We are experiencing immeasurable happiness after coming to the Lord. We are blessed beyond imagination."



but they were unable to help.

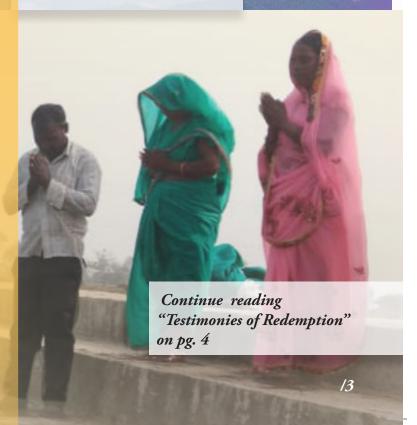
They heard about Pastor Sunita Devi, one of the Bible women supported by ER, and took Jitendra to her. Pastor Sunita and the believers of her church prayed for him and he was freed from the evil spirit. Since then he has returned to being the man he had been nine years ago. He and his wife were baptized and now he testifies about what God has done in his life.



Hemer, a farmer, was strongly opposed to the gospel and would insult and threaten the team members when he saw them. But Hemer had a painful tumor in his neck that only got worse in spite of doctors' treatments. The MSOE team members courageously visited his home, talked with him and prayed for divine healing for him. The Lord Jesus heard the prayers and healed him completely.

God opened his heart; he accepted Christ as his Lord and personal Savior and received baptism. Our Haryana-area partner writes, "Now Hemer is a 'man of peace' and a strong believer in his village. A church was born there. Praise God!"







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Ibrahim was a devout Muslim, the son of an Imam (Islamic teacher). Besides his Computer Science degree, he had a Diploma in Islamic and Arabic Studies. But while studying the Qur'an and other Islamic texts he saw inconsistencies. "How heartbroken one can be," he explained, "to be holding on to something all your life only to find out it's all a lie!"

He hated Christians and could see no reason why anyone would die on a cross for his sins. But through the faithful witness of a friend, he became convicted by the claims of Jesus and of His love for him. "At this point," he says, "I had no choice but to embrace the Truth."

Ibrahim's wife and daughter were taken from him because of his faith in Jesus.

He enrolled in the Nigeria School of Evangelism and in his early weeks on campus requested prayer for his chronic severe insomnia. The students and staff prayed for him and he slept soundly that night for the first time in years, and has continued sleeping peacefully since then.







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