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2015 began with great excitement for SLM Asia. SLM Seminar (over 120 Pastors/Leaders from several states in India as well as from Nepal & Bhutan). The Grace and Presence of the Lord made much difference. The team worked well together. Thanks for your prayer and support.

Last December, I was in India and Nepal with a team of seven for our re-gifting Christmas. I returned just in time for Christmas. I was again in India for SLM conference during January and February. In March, Debbie (my wife) and I led a Medical Missions team to the Dominican Republic. Early April, David (my son) and I were in England and France. Also, in April my Mother-in-Law passed away. She lived with us for the past 20 years, and for the past three years, she required 24/7 attention since she could not walk, etc.

The end of April and the beginning of May were for us to get my Mother-in-Law's body to Guyana, and for the funeral, etc. In May, Pastor Sam Francis, SLM teacher from India, arrived, and I hosted him, and coordinated his schedule.

David Deena's graduation was in June, plus we were busy getting him ready for college and a Summer Program. Added to all of this is we were in the process of moving and cleaning the houses. Finally, I can breathe a sigh.

The reason why I go into such details is because I value you, your friendship, and support. I feel terrible for the lateness of this Newsletter. Frank Deena, PhD.

## SLM DISTINCTIVENESS

### • SLM's Distinctiveness:

SLM is equipping, training, mentoring, and supporting pastors and leaders in an affordable/low cost and collaborative manner for a global and diverse orchestration of the gospel, particularly in three critical regions—Africa, Asia, and South America.



**SLM Teachers from Left: Sam, Dinesh, Tad, & Jeff. Sam Chaired the Graduation Ceremony & Tad was the Speaker**

**THIS YEAR'S SLM SEMINAR FOR ASIA WAS HELD ON WHAT WAS THE FARM, IN SILIGURI, INDIA. HERE IS THE STORY OF THE FARM.**

What follows are some pictures telling the story of how what was a pig farm in 2011, then became a cow and fish farm to raise money for the spread of the Gospel. Our re-gifting Christmas program began on the Farm in December of 2012. Several Hindu, Muslim, and Buddhist children and parents accepted Christ as a result of the gifts. There is a school & a Church on the Farm now.

God is using Pastor Sonam Bhutia—our SLM Director for Asia—and his Team of Pastors to plant & develop



This Issue will focus on Asia. Pictures will tell the story.

## SLMG (Servant Leadership Ministries Global) in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Frank & Debbie Deena



**Training, Equipping, Supporting, & Encouraging Key Leaders in Three Strategic Regions of the World—Asia, Africa, and South America (10/40 Window)**

I wish to begin this Newsletter by apologizing for its late arrival. As you may know, SLM does not spend any money from its small income on staff, office, phone, or electricity bills. I am a Full Professor @ East Carolina University.

The past year has been out of the norm for me and for my family.

many Churches, and to bring transformation to lives and communities in the nations of India, Nepal, & Bhutan.



**The Story of the Farm: New well construction in Siliguri, In 2011**

**Tad's first trip with Frank, 2011. Tad is the Senior Pastor of Harvest Church, Washington, NC (Tad, Sonam, & Frank)**

**Re-Gifting in 2012 @ the Farm. Several Hindu, Muslim, & Buddhist Children accepted Christ. Mayor & Community embraced the program.**



<sup>26</sup> But Jesus looked at them and said, "With people [as far as it depends on them] it is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Matt. 19:26 AMP).

**Re-Gifting 2013 (Farm is changing. A Church & Sunday School have begun here as a result of the re-gifting Christmas.**



<sup>14</sup> But how will people call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how will they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher (messenger)? <sup>15</sup> And how will they preach unless they are commissioned *and* sent [for that purpose]? Just as

it is written *and* forever remains written, "HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GOOD NEWS OF GOOD THINGS!" (Rom. 10:14-15 AMP).

**Re-Gifting Christmas 2014 on the Farm, which has been transformed into Church, Sunday School, & School Buildings**



**What a Great Work! What a Great God!! Praise Him!!!**



**Re-Gifting in 2014 @ the Farm. The School has begun in record time: I. Britney puts a backpack on a child. II. Children in front of School. III. Some of the teachers in front of School.**

Below: The next two slides give us a glimpse of the 2015 February SLM Seminar, held on the old Farm, now the School. The newly constructed auditorium was packed, and some Pastors had to sit outside the building. The two School Buildings accommodated the over 120 Pastors who traveled from various countries & states.



**SLM Seminar, Feb. 2015, India. Top I: A section of the leaders. Top R: Ps. Sam Francis. Bottom L: Pastors listening to teachings. Bottom R: Ps. Brian Oliver from Harvest Church, Washington, NC is teaching, while Ps. Sonam interprets—Brian's first trip to India.**





**Top L: Another section of the audience. Top R: Praying for & ordaining a Pastor from Delhi. Bottom L: Joining the line for lunch. Bottom R: Sonam, Frank, & Sam with a Hindu family who were under the control of the Hindu gods. Their lives have been changed, and now they are pastoring Churches in their home state, Bihar, the third most populated state, & among the poorest states in India.**



**GHANA:** Ghana held their Spring and Fall Seminars. Rev. Andrew Husbands, who has made great sacrifices for the SLM work in Ghana, writes:  
Frank.

I returned from Ghana a week ago after one week of classes in Accra. Dr. Bidiako Jasper, Theo, and Dr. Biney, shared the teaching load over the two weeks. Theo taught worship, Dr. Bidiako taught Demonology, Dr. Biney taught on Christianity & the African Culture, with special emphasis on Native Religion & Islam. His class was really good.

The attendance was the usual 12-16. We were at a new location, which reduced the expense considerably. The only drawback is that it is very close to one of the large markets, with the atmosphere of a market. We will review that decision to use this facility in future.

We agreed to have the next graduation in August of Next year. There will be 12 graduating students, some of whom would need both the Spring and August sessions in order to complete the course. Since the birth of SLM in Ghana, we have 12 graduated, 12 to graduate, and 28 have done a few classes.

We did not take pictures outside, due to the proximity to the market. For April 28 to May 10, no picture is available at this time. According to Rev. Jasper Goka, Ghana's SLM Director, there were 20 students. Rev. Andrew Husbands visited Ghana earlier to do more administrative work and some teaching—Andrew.

**Please pray for and support the remaining Seminars in 2015 in Nigeria, Ghana, Togo, and in Asia (India, Nepal, Bhutan, & Bangladesh). IN FOUR WEEKS TIME, FOUR OF US (FRANK & DEBBIE DEENA AND DAVID & RUTH ZABAWSKI) WILL BE GOING TO ASIA TO TRAIN 100 KEY PASTORS IN THE SLM SEMINAR.**

**WE WILL ALSO HOST A RETREAT FOR SEVEN KEY PASTORS AND THEIR SPOUSES FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS AND NIGHTS. TOGETHER, THESE SEVEN APOSTLES GIVE LEADERSHIP TO OVER 1,000 CHURCHES.**



**SLM Board Members in Richmond, VA, 2014. From Left to Right: Pastor Tad Tankard, Dr. Frank Deena—**

**President, Pastor Andrew Husbands, Dr. John McGeorge—Founder, & Pastor David Zabawski. (Pastor Stanley Kwong—below, could not be at the meeting). He has done missions work in many nations.**



**TOGO:** Theo, SLM Director for Togo has been busy working in the French African Nations of Togo, Benin, Mali, Niger, and Burkina Faso. In the SLM Seminar in Bamako, Mali there were 49 Pastors. 10 unbelievers attended and accepted Christ as their Savior. From Togo, Burkina Faso, Niger, and Benin more than 50 Pastors were trained in spiritual leadership principles. Theo writes: *“There is one thing to know that traveling in Africa by Bus is very difficult and dangerous. The accidents are frequent on the road. The last time we had a problem when we were going. (See the pictures on the next page).*

**SLM RE-GIFTING INFORMATION WILL BE SENT OUT EARLY OCTOBER, 2015. Thanks for your prayer & support in the past three years.**



**Thank God for the sacrifice & faithfulness of our SLM Directors & workers in Africa & Asia. Let us continue to pray for them.**



**Above: The Summer Leadership Institute 2015 in Richmond, VA. These are the young ROHI leaders from several states. This is the second year of this summer school for Nepalese/Bhutanese students.**

**Pastor Theo and Group on way to Mali.**



**The Battle for Africa rages on. Pray for us as we raise up & prepare Servant Leaders.**

**A NOTE OF THANKS TO GOD:**

I was blessed to travel with Pastor Sam Francis to Gujarat and minister to a couple of churches, to cut the ribbon to dedicate a new church building, and to address more than 2,000 Pastors and Believers at the dedication ceremony. Here are a few pictures: Three sections of the audience, and Frank Deena cutting the ribbon



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- ❖ Dr. Frank Deena, SLM President

**Please pray for the following:**

1. Nepal, "Nepal Rejects Proposal for Hindu Nation," and violence emerges: <http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/nepal-rejects-proposal-for-hindu-nation/1/473248.html>
2. **Pray for the Peace of the World, especially the Middle East & Israel.**
3. **Pray for the countries where SLM is working, but where there is hostility to the Gospel, violence, poverty, & persecution of the Church. Some of these countries include: Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Guyana, India, Mali, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Tibet, and Togo,**
4. **Pray for resources and workers for the mission field.**
5. **Pray for our Oct. SLM Asian Seminar in India.**