Merry Christmas

Dear friend & payer partner,

December 2016 Transforming Leaders in Asia (TLA) www.tlaministries.org

Our warmest Christmas Greetings to you and to your family.

Through this letter, we want to deeply appreciate your friendship & partnership in the gospel.

Last three weeks we have been blessed with a comfortable stay at the Mission House of Shades Mountain Baptist Church, Birmingham. We plan to be here till Dec 23. Then, we plan to celebrate Christmas with Sonam and Joshua in Austin, Texas. We will miss our second daughter Neema who is in China doing her internship as a Medical Doctor. She will graduate in May 2017. Sonam is doing her Internship in Architecture in George Town till July 2017 and Joshua shall finish his undergrad from Judson University, Elgin, IL by May 2017. In fact, the year 2017 shall mark the completion of the tenth year of our field ministry since we return to India.

As we REFLECT upon the past ten years of ministry, we are grateful to God for:

- Privileges to influence and initiate several strategic ministries impacting India and the northeast region.
- Wonderful ministry opportunities through the Words of Hope & the Back to God Ministries International for the past two years
- Facilitate and produce radio programs in 11 languages to reach the unreached with the gospel of Jesus Christ
- Equip, Encourage, and Empower more than 500 pastors and leaders
- Traveled far and wide to speak in more than 120 national & international conferences &
- The favor upon our family, particularly children's academic accomplishment

So, this Christmas, we will celebrate the Lord's favor and your prayer support to us. Indeed, he is "Immanuel," God with us.

The year 2017 shall bring to us a new horizon for ministry opportunities. We shall continue to engage in north and west India, as well as in Bhutan in making Jesus known through printed media and Radio waves. You can follow us on www.gbetministrie.org. In the northeast India, we have now an Indian

chapter of TLA registered as TLA Educational Trust. We have acquired 4.95 Acres of land which will be developed for a Pastors & Leaders Training Center and a Residential School to Disciple children of the Pastors and Missionaries. For safety region, details cannot be made public but you can still follow us on <u>www.tlaedutrust.org</u>. We have a FB (Transforming Leaders in Asia-TLA) where we also post our update occasionally. Please visit and comment.

As you pray for us this season, may I also request you to pray for TLA ministries that the Lord will direct its path in 2017. I am confident that if the Lord is the one who blessed TLA to begin the good work then he *"will carry it on to completion."* (Phi 1:6)

Wishing you a very prosperous HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017.

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