



From the President's Desk...

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“Where are we to buy bread, that these may eat?”

—Jesus, recorded in John 6:5

Dear Friend,

Jesus was about to perform the miracle of feeding the five thousand. He wanted to involve His disciples, so He asked them the question above. Phillip's response was realistic, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, for every one to receive a little.” Jesus knew the need was much greater than their resources. **Why then did He ask? Because He intended to use what they had and multiply it to meet the need—for His glory!**

The 21st Century Need and the Call

In the same way as on that day two thousand years ago, there is today an insurmountable need—not for physical food but for spiritual. There are masses of people around our globe who have an insatiable appetite for the “food which endures to eternal life” (John 6:27).

- India: 1,027,000,000 people—at least 90% lost without Christ
- Spanish-speaking: 390,000,000 people—many without the reality of eternal life
- Russia: 250,000,000 people—most in this communist country lost without Christ
- China: 1,300,000,000 people—most in this atheist nation lost without Christ
- Arabic: 400,000,000 people—often religiously zealous but lost without Christ

Jesus, “the bread of life” (John 6:35), is **the only One who can satisfy this spiritual hunger**. He is the message of **FaithSearch**.

Jesus commanded His followers to make disciples for Him of all the nations (Matthew 28:19). That's why He is opening doors of opportunity for us to deliver the **FaithSearch** message to people of other languages, cultures and geographic regions. Our response to the world's spiritual need—and God's command and call—is our “Extending the Vision” campaign. Yet we are such a small ministry. **We're just “five barley loaves and two fishes!” With the first century Andrew we cry out, “What are these for so many people?” (John 6:9).** Just as with the first disciples, our resources are not nearly enough for the task.

“Jesus therefore took the loaves...”

In the hands of Jesus the five barley loaves and two fishes satisfied five thousand families—with twelve baskets of fragments left over! That's the same Jesus we serve, so why should we expect anything else? Here's how He's multiplying our spiritual resource, the **FaithSearch** message:



We gave Him one small book in English—(actually a gift from Him as well):

Jesus is multiplying the message into seven Indian languages, into Spanish, Russian, Chinese, and Arabic because He loves these three billion lost people who desperately need to discover “the bread of God” who “comes down out of heaven and gives life to the world.” (John 6:33).

*We gave Him three days of **FaithSearch** training of selected Campus Crusade staff in India:*

Jesus is multiplying the message through them to thousands who are professing faith in Jesus through their continuous teaching and testimony. Alwin, one CC staffer, recently wrote: “I trained 54 Bible College students to use **FaithSearch** in their witnessing. They then went out to the nearby area and shared this message with 241 people. Some people questioned about Christ and the Bible, but they were able to answer them properly to clear their doubts. **A total of 124 people prayed to receive Christ.** The students are so excited and promised to continue using **FaithSearch** in their ministries.”

More Baskets to Fill

*We are now being asked to give **FaithSearch** training to more than 25,000 current India pastors, and to equip two faculty in each of 100 Bible Colleges and Seminaries to teach **FaithSearch** to India’s future pastors:*

Jesus will multiply the **FaithSearch** message of salvation to millions in existing congregations across India, and through future pastors trained there. Dr. P.E. Joseph, head of the chemistry department at St. Johns’ college wrote: “While teaching science students in St. Johns’ college, **FaithSearch** will help in introducing the students to Christ through the validity of the Holy Scriptures the Bible.” Vikram Singh, a Master of Science student there, wrote: “Being a science student coming from a Hindu background and being atheist, **FaithSearch** was of great help.... I became more aware of the historical and archeological evidences about Christ and the Bible... From these teachings, I hope I will be able to satisfy many people with the same satisfactory answers that may change someone’s life and bring them to Christ our Lord God.”

Is our Lord demonstrating His intention also to multiply the **FaithSearch** message among Spanish, Russian, Chinese and Arabic peoples—in ways we do not yet know and see at this time? **Why would we doubt and think otherwise?**

There is a little ministry in Chaska, that has a *FaithSearch* message, but what is this for such a needy, global people? ...Jesus therefore took the message!

Will you, too, give what you have—your prayers and your finances—on our behalf? Give them to the Lord so that He may multiply them for His glory. **We are falling short of our financial need every month, yet we earnestly desire to fulfill the opportunities God has placed before us.** Please pray with us to keep trusting our God not only to meet the need but to provide a surplus besides! I await your response.

Committed to serving the “Bread of Life”,



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