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“It is an honor to work for IOM America.”

BABU SHARAT | Andhra Pradesh, India

We welcome Babu & Sara to the IOM Team. Babu will serve as Director of the south India Identity Matters Worldview Center.

I Greetings From India

By Babu Sharat

I am pleased to share my Life Story and what I am now doing in the Grace of our Lord.

I was born on August 24th, 1978. I am the second-born of my father Rao and mother Lilly. I learned about the Love of Jesus from my mother Lilly and after growing up and completing my studies, I received a vision from the Lord to live my life in and through Him. After attending Bible School in a town located on a Church Campus, I came to our Village, **Gollavilli**, in southeast India and started teaching. Since then, 2005, I have been teaching in many villages, some of the same villages my mother, Lilly, planted the Gospel to Women.

I have dedicated my life for the Lords work, preaching with our *Gospel Teams*, resulting in started small Home Fellowships and Congregations in 25 different villages. Although, we continue to reach many additional unreached villages. These ministries are overseen by our Gospel Team, Evangelists and Pastors, and in the year 2009 I got

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“Praise God for this wonderful opportunity!”

From Babu Sharat (continued from page one)

married to my wife **Sara** who is a worship leader and Gospel Singer and she Teaches to Children and Women in our Village Congregations. We have been blessed with 2 Boys, 7 and 6 years old Timothy and Robby, attached my family photo.

Please pray for us! We love this blessed fellowship with you. It encourages us to reach more souls and the IOM Website is a blessing for me to study in-depth and to teach what I have learned to our people in India.

Thank you for sparing your precious time in reading about me, my family and ministry outreach here in south India.

Babu has been an active worker in Christ through the resources IOM America provides on our website, media and publications. It is an honor to call Babu my spiritual son. Please pray for this new development as we firmly establish yet another Identity Matters Worldview Center. -Dr. Stephen Phinney



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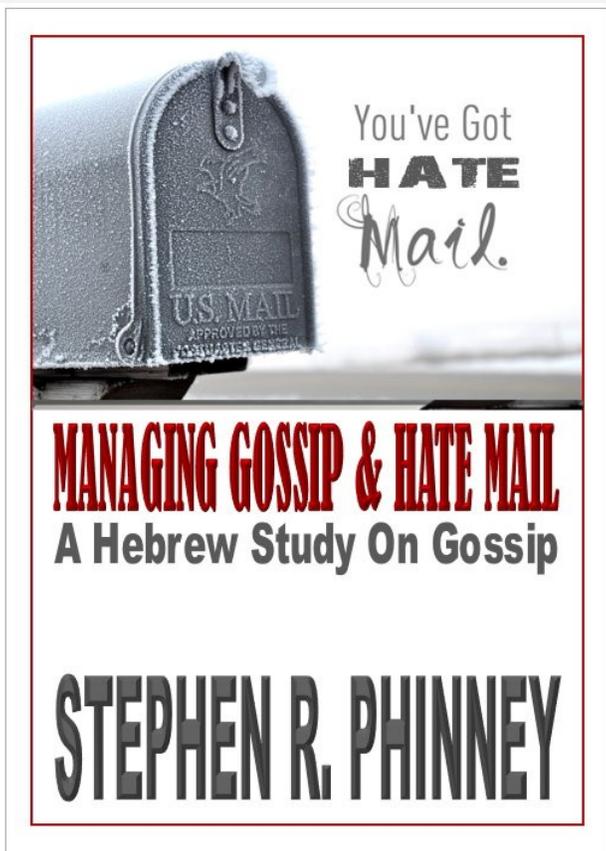
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YOU'VE GOT HATE MAIL

Every once in a while, we hit one out of the park and that is exactly what happened with *You've Got Hate Mail*. Due to popular demand, we have produced a booklet.

Phinney | Do not associate with a gossip. He who goes about as a slanderer reveals secrets, therefore do not associate with a gossip. (Pro 20:19) In a strange and "like-God" way, I realized that most saved and unsaved people have gossiped about one another – to such an extent that many victims have been destroyed – reputation wise. Even though that might have been the goal for some gossipers the damage has been done. My real reveal here is that the automatic reaction to gossip is "not associate with a gossip" – thus isolating and separating the victim from the gossiper.

The Hebrew word translated "gossip" (רִכְלִיּוֹת), lashon ha-ra, in the Old Testament is defined as "one who reveals secrets, a familiar trader, one who goes about as a talebearer or scandal-monger." A gossipier... Read More: [Click Here](#)



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How Does the New Pakistani Prime Minister Impact Christians?

Earlier this week, the lower house of the Parliament in Pakistan elected Shahid Abbasi as Prime Minister. Pakistan is a mostly democratic, parliamentary republic, but Abbasi came to power because the Supreme Court of Pakistan recently decreed that Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif was ineligible to serve his third term as Prime Minister because of corruption. This was certainly an eventful week for the south Asian nation.

Abbasi is a loyal supporter of Sharif, and most observers assume he will continue Sharif's policies and will eventually step aside so Sharif's brother can take a seat in Parliament and become Prime Minister after run-off elections later this year. Abbasi belongs to Sharif's ruling Pakistan Muslim League (Nawaz) party, and previously served in Sharif's cabinet. He was educated in the United States—at UCLA—and is noted for being one of the leading figures in Pakistan's aviation industry.

For Christians in Pakistan, many of whom experience persecution—both explicit and implicit—a new Prime Minister is an anxious development, especially since Sharif was known for some cautious moderation in official religious policy in Pakistan. In March 2017, he even gave a speech in which he said that “Islam gives people freedom to choose their religion,” and appeared to implicitly support a bill that makes forced conversions illegal that was controversial at the time. Christians who were encouraged by those developments likely wonder if those changes are at an end.

So will Abbasi continue Sharif's more moderate approach? Only time will tell. Some Christians are worried about an uptick in persecution in a country long known for persecution of religious minorities. But Abbasi has said he is “Nawaz Sharif's man, and the people's prime minister is Nawaz Sharif,” so perhaps there is some hope for relief for Pakistani Christians.

Regardless of who leads the government of Pakistan, the unjust blasphemy laws remain on the books—and those laws were repeatedly supported and upheld by former Prime Minister Sharif, which suggests Abbasi will continue those politics. Additionally, non-Muslims are legally barred from holding the highest public offices in Pakistan, along with positions on the Federal Shariat Court, which can overrule any civic authority in Pakistan.

Christians have also been victims of regular religious persecution and terrorist attacks, including a bombing in 2016 that killed more than 70 people, along with forced conversions, restrictions in job options, death sentences and other atrocities. Christians make up less than 2 percent of the population of Pakistan, which is around 96 percent Muslim. The state religion is Islam, and 62 percent of Pakistanis support the death penalty for anyone who leaves Islam. *Thanks | Ryan Hamm | Open Doors*



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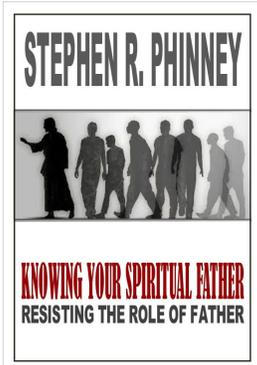
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LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER

After the many years of counseling and discipling God's hurting souls, I have come to embrace one clear factor in determining a person's measurement of grace in understanding the Exchanged Life.

1. **How does the believer** respond to authority?
2. **Are they willing to be** discipled?
3. **Are they willing to do whatever** is necessary for their own healing, in order to make their life more at rest and peace?



Releasing the indwelling Life of Christ is needed to reveal the evidence in being a qualified worker. Once this is assured, they can step into a Life of overflow. That way, the worker will not minister to others because he must, or because he has to. He will work because he/she is compelled to manifest the overflowing Life of Christ into another. In our present era of the Millennial church (everything is point-less), most minister to others because they are paid to do so, or minimally, want something in return. What Christ Jesus is hunting for is an urgency in the worker to minister because of what He said:

"He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water'" (John 7:38). This is the most desired description of an Exchanged Life worker.

In saying all that, I personally thank you for supporting our work through your time, spiritual gifts and financial donations.

Most readers & viewers don't realize how much God accomplishes in our ministry on minimal funds. Here is an accurate picture: In 2016, our ministry income was \$80,569. With those funds, we paid salaries, ministry overhead & kept our Academy/Orphanage in Liberia fully functional (12 staff & 314 children). We make every one of your pennies count!

We simply could not do what we do without you assisting us. We are a global ministry because you think globally. I am eternally thankful to Jesus for this!

Dr. Stephen R. Phinney



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