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### JIVAN SANDESH MINISTRIES



*“Finally, brothers (sisters), pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you.” (II Thess.3: 2 NIV)*

#### **Dear Prayer Partners,**

We are grateful to our merciful God for granting another year of 2017 to declare His work through different ministries of Jivan Sandesh. He is always good to JSM and He has lavishly showered His unfailing love and sufficient grace in the previous year. We are thankful for your continuous prayer support, generous donation and constant encouragement to JSM. We expect to see a great harvest in the Kingdom of God. During the year 300 (+) people corresponded with us in response to the radio broadcast and even talked through cell phone. 50 (+) people are eagerly attending the Bible study on the book of Daniel on every Tuesday for an hour. 15 (+) persons are regularly attending 2:7 series discipleship book on every Monday for a hour. God gave us opportunity to teach and preach in more than twenty five different Churches and places during the year 2016. God has helped us to move on with our vision and mission in 2016 and we give all glory and honor to Him. We are thankful to our God for the C&MA leaders, donors and faithful prayer supporters. Your prayer support and your rich generosity are our driving force and motivating factor. We appreciate your prayers, support, love and concern. We are so grateful to have partners like you who share our hearts to lead people forward in their faith. With your help this year, we believe God is calling us to reach the unreached and disciple the reached. We can do all things through him who strengthens us. We know that with your support, 2017 will be our greatest year of impact!

**David Christian**

#### **RADIO – FOLLOW UP**

Praise God that we could continue broadcast 3 Gujarati programs and 2 Hindi programs of 15

minutes each per week during the year of 2016. Graciously God has granted wisdom to those who are helping in preparing the radio program and the follow up team. Let us pray that every letter we write and literature we send may reach safely in the hand of our listeners. Please pray that God would work through follow up ministry and many would become the follower of Jesus Christ.

Pray that our Gujarati and Hindi radio broadcast may reach more people and we may get more response from the listeners during the year 2017 and we may share and teach them the Word of God through correspondence and literature.

#### **RADIO LISTENERS SPEAK**

‘Loving Greetings to Jivan Sandesh Family. I attended the seminar and since my life has been transformed through the word of God. I learned that reading the Bible is first priority in my life. I appreciate your encouragement through correspondence. Thank you for shaping and molding my life.

‘Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am listening Jivan Sandesh program. Still they are refreshing my spirit. We appreciate your love and concern towards us through correspondence. Because of your guidance through the Word of God we are stay blessed.

**God is bringing transformation because of your generous support!**

#### **PRAY FOR**

The Seekers Seminar for women, who are Jivan Sandesh Radio contacts from Nov.2-5 2017 at Lead Conference center, Ahemdabad. Pray that God may bring genuine seekers to attend and the resource persons of the seminar.

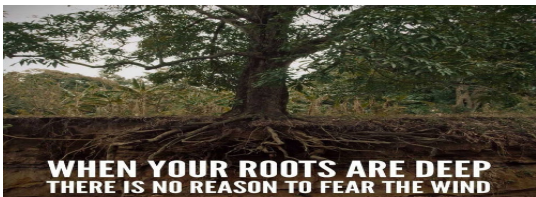
**DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY**

We praise God that He has blessed the Discipleship Training ministry of Jivan Sandesh since last thirty years. Many individuals are giving spiritual leadership in different churches and organizations of Gujarat because of the discipleship training. Our goal is to train and equip younger generation for future spiritual leadership in the Church.

We are grateful to our God that we could teach 157(+) persons in five seminars systematically through the discipleship ministry. They have learned essential truth from the Word of God. They are real blessing for their local churches. They have experienced and digested the word of God and now they are persuading others to attend the Discipleship seminar.



We are grateful to our God that people are learning the word of God enthusiastically as Mr. Madhu Christian is teaching on the book of Daniel to them. (50+) persons are attending at Pavitra Kunj society on every Tuesday.



God has put a hunger to 15(+) persons who are regularly attending 2:7 series discipleship class on every Monday for an hour. They have completed one book of 2:7 series.



**PRAY FOR**

Those who have participated in the discipleship class that they may be established in the Word of God. Pray that Hindi Discipleship seminar in May 2017.

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT**

The Lord has blessed many couples since last 25 years through this ministry. We praise God that we could help and encourage 130(+) couples to grow in their relationship with the Lord and with each other during the year 2016. They have experienced life transforming truth of the family through the Word of God. We give all glory to Him.

**PRAY FOR**

Pray that we may begin ninth batch of the school of marriage enrichment and build 150 couples in the 2016. Marriage Enrichment Seminar for the correspondence contacts is on 1-3 Sep.2017

**NARI JIVAN SANCHAR (Women Empowerment)**

God has blessed Women Empowerment ministry since last eight years. NJS has motivated many women to find the purpose and meaning in their lives. God is doing wonderful thing in their lives. We are grateful to our God that we could teach effectively through the Word of God in different retreats. Praise God!

Poor and Widows Fellowship was planned by Mr. Robin Mitra with the co operation of JSM on 4/12/2016 at Dhandholi Methodist Church and Thasara Methodist Church. JSM distributed one month ration and a good quality shawl to 59 persons.



## JIVAN SANDESH FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

We met as Jivan Sandesh family on January 8, 2017 to thank the Lord for HIS faithfulness during 2016 and to commit ourselves and the planning for the year 2017. Jivan Sandesh family involves families of Staff, Board and Society members and all the volunteers who are actively helping in the ministry. We also invited pastors of C & M A Churches. Gujarat Synod President Rev. Rasin Vasivala was present. Total 80 (+) people met together at the Beulah alliance Church to worship and praise the Lord for HIS faithfulness for the year 2016 and prayed together to commit ourselves and the planning of the ministry for the year 2017. Jivan Sandesh Ministries Treasurer Mr. Robin J. Mitra gave very encouraging and challenging message from 1 Timothy 1:18-20 explained faithful Christian service. We give all the glory and honor to our living Lord for providing committed and dedicated team of volunteers. They are the "Special People" for the Jivan Sandesh.



### PRAISE FOR

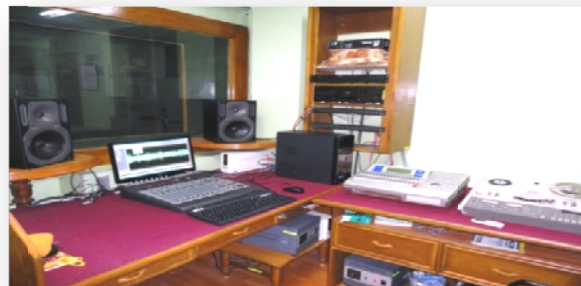
- Enabling us to teach in seminars and retreat of Discipleship Ministry, Marriage Enrichment ministry and Women Empowerment Ministry in the year 2016.
- Support of Jivan Sandesh Board and Society members, volunteers and staff.
- Wisdom from above to Mr. Cyril Christian and Mr. Nelson Thakor for follow up ministry.
- Opportunity to preach and to teach in different churches and organizations.

- Visitation of our contacts through correspondence.
- Providing needs of the year of 2016.

### PRAY FOR

- 1000 to 1500 letters response through radio and visitation of contacts at Songadh, Tapi, Junagadh, Surat and Navsari.
- The Seekers Seminar for women, who are Jivan Sandesh Radio contacts from Nov. 2-5 2017 at Lead Conference center, Ahmedabad.
- Hindi 2:7 series discipleship seminar on Sep 30-Oct 02
- Planning of Discipleship Awareness National Conference in 2018.
- Gospel Retreat for women on 19<sup>th</sup> March at Anara Methodist Church
- Retreat for young girls on 16<sup>th</sup> June at Beulah Alliance Church.
- Women Retreat on 23<sup>rd</sup> July for Ahmedabad women.
- Bible Quiz for women on 20<sup>th</sup> August.
- Retreat for widow and single women on 24<sup>th</sup> September.
- Financial need of the ministry.
- The wisdom from above in the teaching and preaching ministry in other churches and organizations.
- Protection of the studio and office equipments.
- Guidance to the Ministry team in teaching and training in different churches and organizations
- Jivan Sandesh staff, Board and Society members and volunteers.

Thank you for bringing hope  
And transformation through  
Your donations and prayers



*"Praise the lord. I will extol the lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly. Great are the works of the lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them."*  
Ps.111:1-2 (NIV)

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We will send you the details to transfer the donation.

**VISION**

**REACH THE UNREACHED AND DISCIPLE THE REACHED**

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- **TO TEACH THE WORD OF GOD WITH CLARITY, SIMPLICITY AND AUTHORITY TO THOSE WHO ARE SEARCHING FOR THE TRUTH, IN ORDER TO BRING THEM TO THE ULTIMATE TRUTH JESUS CHRIST.**
- **TO EQUIP AND EMPOWER THE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST TO GROW TOWARD SPIRITUAL MATURITY AND LEADERSHIP.**

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