

May 2013



**Summer Gospel Meetings** In the summer months, IREF Evangelists conduct open air meetings in various rural villages as a follow up to the main Gospel Meetings held in February. These summer meetings are held to help believers keep their walk with the Lord at pace and for new believers to be strengthened and nourished. The Gospel Meetings are vital to their growth as the fight to maintain freedom from Hinduism is always a struggle. These meetings are IREF's chance to expand the Gospel and meet the townspeople in their own areas.

This month, IREF was invited for the first time to conduct Gospel Meetings for three days in Machilipatnam, a village two hours away from Repalle. There were over 10,000 in attendance each night. And as many people

came forward in response to the altar call, they began to hunger for a new life with Christ.

It is severely critical for new believers not only to hear the Word of God, but to feel His power as well. As these new believers desire more spiritual freedom, pray that they do not get pulled back into oppressive lives without Christ. Please also pray for IREF Evangelists and Bible ladies as they persistently pray and minister to the new believers of rural India.

*We ask that you join us in supporting and praying for so many evangelists and Bible ladies who have dedicated their lives to reach the lost and further His Kingdom in rural India. With your help of \$75 a month they can serve the Lord full time.*



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**Save the Date!** We invite you to join us for the second annual IREF Golf Outing that will be held on August 17, 2013 at Antioch Golf Club. Your participation is a fun opportunity to raise funding and to also introduce your friends and family members to the ministry that you have so faithfully supported through the years. Foursomes and sponsorship opportunities are available. A beautiful day of golf, silent auction and dinner is planned.

Don't Golf? Come for dinner and a ministry update and fellowship. We'd love to see you! For more information on sponsorship opportunities and foursomes, please call April @ 847.533.5487 or email [GolfOuting@irefusa.org](mailto:GolfOuting@irefusa.org).

**Vacation Bible and Summer Vacation** Children and the young people at IREF are nurtured in a spiritual atmosphere. The good news of Jesus is taught from the very beginning so that they will live practical Christian lives while growing up.

The 2012-13 school year has ended and many students have returned to their families and villages. But before they did, IREF staff conducted a week-long Vacation Bible School session with the children. They participated in devotions, singing, memorizing Bible verses and prayer. The prayer and goal of IREF is to provide a plant the seed of the Gospel into these young lives so they will return to their villages and expand the Kingdom of Christ.

Please pray for our young students as they are often times faced with persecution and rejection by their family members for accepting Christ as their personal Savior.

Please also pray that many will return to continue their education and growth in June. Often times, when these children go home for summer holidays, desperate financial and home situations will lead to children having to work to help provide for their families. Your prayer support of IREF is greatly appreciated and felt on a daily basis.

