



An Open Letter from the Berean Way Board
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“I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first.” Revelation 2:9

Dear Friends,

There is much negativity around us resulting from this current economic situation. So can I share with you a success story? Despite the challenges we all are facing, God is actually helping one ministry grow. These times are extremely difficult, but God is using people like us to help the Berean Way expand the Kingdom through the local leaders in the unreached areas of the world.

When Jeff awakened to God’s call in 2005 to reach the indigenous people of the world to train them to become teachers of the Bible, to equip and to duplicate, there were more questions than answers and more uncertainty than clarity. Each clear answer from God seemed to open more questions about Jeff’s mission, especially in India and Uganda.

Through it all, Jeff (and Erin) persevered, giving more and more of their energy and time to the calling, and planting seeds for Jesus in so many amazing, God-engineered ways. These seeds have now sprouted and the work of God is truly on the move, growing in all facets imaginable and with more clarity and focus. With this success, however, comes tremendous financial responsibility and we need your help! Translating materials into local dialects, gathering the poorest pastors together, and ongoing training costs money they cannot provide themselves.

In addition, we are seeing the value of the US dollar decrease while our costs increase!

The awesome fact of the matter is that we are just scratching the surface of what the Berean Way can accomplish worldwide for our Lord Jesus, if we only had more resources.

Our Indian partner, Rev. Sam Apollos, is keeping us very busy. Together, we have trained over 4,200 barefoot pastors who are directly impacting over 60,000 unreached villagers and their influence is growing daily. Our current project has been with a group of uneducated pastors in the unreached areas of the north (less than 3% Christian), where we are co-developing a long-term training program in which we believe will turn into an Indian Bible school over the next few years (and be a sister school to one Sam started in the south in 1999).

In NE Uganda, after warring for decades, the Pian and Bokora chief tribal elders invited us to teach them how to live in peace. The result was the rapid transformation of large “no-man” lands



into two major peace settlements. One new village was created. And then another formed, and then another . . . In less than 18 months, 90 new villages were established where over 13,000 former enemies are now *living together in peace*. The world is shocked to see these results. However, as exciting as this is, the church has only begun to grow. We are excited to continue our work in 2010 to help develop the indigenous leaders so they will continue to expand their church!

Having served on the Berean Way Board since its inception, I have personally witnessed what God is accomplishing through his servant Jeff. I know of his deep commitment and love for the people of India and Uganda and in his burning desire to reach them all for Jesus. I truly believe in Jeff and in his mission and I know that God will remain faithful.

And so, on behalf of Jeff and the Berean Way Board, I am asking that you consider a year-end financial gift to this ministry, which will be applied directly to support the work to train the forgotten leaders and the people of India and Uganda. Our December goal is \$15,000.

As a Board, we have also set a goal this December of adding 10 additional monthly donors. Will you consider joining our support team or making a one-time tax-deductible contribution?

The ground is fertile and the time has never been more critical than now to advance the message of Jesus Christ throughout these regions and to save so many longing souls.

Please visit **www.bereanway.org** to begin, or continue your journey with us as we *Teach, Equip* and *Duplicate* disciples in some of the most disadvantaged, persecuted and challenging areas of the world. Or you can contact Jeff directly at **jeff@bereanway.org** or **(503) 887-4921**.

We greatly thank you for your current and ongoing support, and since we know that God has clearly indicated that the journey has only just begun, we greatly need to expand our support base. Do you know anyone who would be interested in hearing more about India or Uganda? As such, please consider sharing Jeff's website and your own personal commitment to the cause with everyone in your circle of friends and family who would find our work fruitful and beneficial to expanding God's kingdom. We look forward with great anticipation at what we will accomplish together in the coming years.

On behalf of the Berean Way Board and the countless barefoot pastors we partner with, thank you and may peace and blessings be with you this Christmas season.

In His name,



Scott Miller, Secretary, Berean Way Board

