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Dear Friends,

When God called us to start EPI seven years ago, the only thing we knew for sure was that God was calling us to help reach the UNREACHED PEOPLES of the world. Just as HE said to Abraham, "Go to a land that I will show thee"...so He was saying to us the very same thing. Just as Abraham stepped out in FAITH, so we moved forward in FAITH...with nothing more than a CALL. In 2010 we did our first overseas project in Ghana, Africa but we did not think that this was the "LAND THAT I WILL SHOW THEE." In 2011, after being invited by another ministry to work with them on a project in Zambia, Africa...we knew this was where God was leading us. A good friend, Mack Kearney, shared some wise council with us early on as we started EPI. He said, "Determine where God wants you to work and then go there. Find a person with a HEART like yours and GO TO WORK. God brought us together with Iwell and Ida Phiri who live in the Eastern Province of Zambia and this couple became our first TWO MISSIONARIES. Iwell became the director of EPI ministries in Zambia and Mozambique. Little did we know that God had a much **BIGGER PLAN.**

### **GOD'S BIGGER PLAN....EPI WAS TO BECOME A MISSIONARY SENDING MINISTRY**

When we started working with Iwell Phiri, we were renting vehicles in which to travel and renting Jesus Film equipment. God has now provided a 29 passenger bus and a motorcycle for Iwell to use for doing projects and instead of renting 16 mm projectors, we now have a complete Jesus Film system that is solar powered and fits into a backpack. When we started EPI, we had no plans other than to work with Iwell and reach as many people as possible with the good news. **GOD HAD A MUCH BIGGER PLAN!** God began to reveal HIS BIGGER PLAN through Iwell. We began to notice that Iwell was surrounding himself with a small group of men and training these men to be leaders. Then about this time last year, God gave Sharon and I His **BIGGER VISION** for EPI. We were in fact to become a **MISSIONARY SENDING MINISTRY.** EPI has now planted a total of 8 missionaries since October of 2015 and including Iwell and Ida Phiri, we have 10 missionaries on the field, reaching thousands every month with the gospel. Our 8 newly planted missionaries have started a total of **25 CHURCHES** over the past 7 months.

### **AN OPEN DOOR TO REACH THE LOST PEOPLE OF PAKISTAN**

Because of the worldwide web, EPI gets a lot of inquiries from pastors and ministries who want to work with us. They think that we are a big ministry with lots of money and of course want to access our funding, when in fact we are a ministry with limited funding which is doing a lot of ministry with a small budget. After sifting through hundreds of inquiries over the years, I have followed up on only **THREE.** One of these inquiries was from a pastor in one of the largest cities in Pakistan. After many months of exchanging emails with him and asking a hundred questions, I decided to wait on some confirmation from God. Earlier this year, Sharon received a dinner invitation from one of her BSF friends, a lady from Uganda who had married an American. As we were having dinner together, her husband Michael began to share about his ministry and mentioned Pakistan. My ears immediately perked up. I told him that I had been corresponding with a pastor in Pakistan and mentioned his name. His eyes got very BIG as he told me the name of his contact. He was working with the brother of this pastor. **BINGO...CONFIRMATION!** Is this not how our AWESOME GOD works. As it turns out, Michael has made 2 trips to Pakistan and has stayed in the home of these two "pastor" brothers and worked on TWO Projects with them. (Michael's ministry is a teaching ministry). These 2 men have a heart for reaching their city with the gospel and have planted many house churches already. PLEASE PRAY for this OPEN DOOR to remain open for a while longer. PLEASE PRAY concerning how GOD might want YOU to be involved in reaching thousands with the gospel in Pakistan. PLEASE PRAY and ask GOD if He might want you to provide funding for a Jesus Film Backpack (\$2800) or for a motorcycle (\$2500). PLEASE PRAY for the resources for me to travel to Pakistan and for MY SAFETY. I will have to carry in the backpack and spend several weeks training these men. PRAY for me to obtain a VISA. Blessings....**John**