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JOIN ME IN
prayer

- Please pray for our Deaf women leaders as they continue to be a light to the young Deaf women in their communities.
- Pray that God will give them much wisdom and discernment as they guide these ladies.
- Pray that the Lord will direct me in how to support and encourage these Deaf women leaders.

Jolan* and Nirala* met while attending college and they began dating.

Jolan heard about a Deaf church. As he began attending the Deaf church and studying the Bible, **he accepted Christ** and was baptized! **His life was completely changed!**

When they both finished school, Nirala returned to her home but Jolan stayed. He got a job and became a church leader at the Deaf church.

LET LIGHT
shine
OUT OF
DARKNESS
2 CORINTHIANS 4:6



Jolan decided that he didn't want to marry Nirala because she wasn't a Christian. His family was upset. Jolan told Nirala she was free to go and marry someone else. She told him no; she wants to marry him. She asked where she could go to start learning the Bible and attend a Deaf church. **Nirala began traveling to a town 2 hours away to attend its Deaf church. After a year, she became a Christian and was baptized!**

The families began wedding plans and, unbeknownst to the couple, the families planned for them to marry before the Hindu idols. When Jolan learned of this, he contacted one of our leaders. He asked the leader to join him and Nirala to meet with his father. **Jolan and Nirala when they met with his father.** His father was very angry. The father

wanted to keep the Hindu traditions and have them marry in front of the idols.

In the end, Jolan's parents decided to permit a Christian ceremony. Why? They saw the Deaf couple's faith remain strong and saw a glow in them. Much like the glow that shone from the 3 men in the 'fiery furnace' in the book of Daniel. They remained strong even while in the furnace and shone with His light in their lives.

EVERYONE from their Hindu families came to the wedding! The Deaf church came and they had an interpreter. The interpreter explained everything to the families about God, the wedding and the couple. Their families sat, listened, and held their peace. All the Deaf praised God!

Pray for Deaf Christians, that they will continue to be bold and shine His light all over South Asia.



respect your husband
INTERNATIONAL WOMAN'S DAY

In March, DOOR held a special event for International Women's Day. **One of the ladies in attendance was struggling with her faith, between Hinduism and Christianity.** She felt that to be a Hindu was better.

During the event, this Deaf woman watched as a Deaf women leader signed the story, 'How God Made Man And Woman'. The leader shared God's plan for a **couple to leave their father and mother to start their own family.** She also explained how **women are to respect and follow their husbands.** In 'The First Sin' story, the serpent tempted Eve and Adam followed in Eve's sin; as a result, God punished Eve, stating the husband will rule over the wife.

"Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her." Ephesians 5:22 & 25

As she watched the story, **God began to convict her heart.** You see, her husband is a Christian. He left her and their daughter because she chose to stay with her parents after their marriage. She realized she should stay married and live elsewhere with her husband.

She now recognizes that she did not respect or support her husband in turning him away. Now he is gone; she has no idea where he is. She wants him to come back to her. **This Deaf woman is searching for His truth.** Please pray for her to open her heart to Christ. Pray that **their marriage will be restored.**



A NOTE FROM THE U.S.

I am now in the U.S. for a short time to renew my passport, as it expires later this year, and my visa requires me to leave South Asia for 2 months. **I am planning to return to South Asia in August.** I appreciate your prayers for discernment as I prepare to return to South Asia.

PARTNER WITH *me today*

I am in need of additional monthly financial support. **Would you prayerfully consider partnering with me as I provide the Deaf women leaders with the encouragement and support they need to continue ministering to women in their communities?**

Many of these ladies are living in places far from home, where the language and culture is different from their own. As their husbands minister, many times they are left to manage their home and children alone as well as maintain their own personal ministry to women.

Thank you so much for your faithful giving and prayers this past year while I reached out and ministered to them!

DOOR International's mission is to bring God's Word and reproducing Christian fellowship to the Deaf of the world. DOOR is a non-denominational, non-profit (501(c)3) Christian mission organization of many Deaf people (and a few hearing people).



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