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Dear It Is Written friend,

I want to share with you the story of an incredible miracle of healing that happened in a recent It Is Written evangelistic series, but first let me tell you what is happening here in Australia.

I'm writing from Melbourne, Victoria, where Yves Monnier, our evangelism director, and I have been meeting with dozens of local churches to prepare for a major evangelistic series in May of next year. Melbourne is a very secular city of almost five million people. Yet evangelism has made a major impact here in the past, and we're excited to see it happening again!

These Melbourne meetings have reminded me again of the importance of preparing for the public evangelism efforts we do year after year. I love telling you about our meetings, sharing pictures and stories of decisions made for Christ. But it's important to emphasize that **evangelism happens every day outside of large meeting halls**. It happens around kitchen tables, in gas stations, and on the street. Church members or Bible workers relate to one heart at a time, just like Jesus did, fashioning a response to draw hearts to Christ's love. The work of preparation is evangelism itself.

Evangelism is successful when it happens as a lifestyle rather than a one-time event.

Our training in Melbourne has been effective in giving church members a vision of what they do for God every day. One church member commented, "I'm a different person as a result of this training!" Others reported that people are now attending church as a result of personal evangelism taking place. One young lady said, "It's not just successful evangelists that can share Jesus. ***It's people sharing Jesus every day in every walk of life.***" Another said, "I'd be been in the church all my life. I've always known we should be out there reaching people, but the question was, how to do it? This was an answer to my prayers." Please pray for our major series in Melbourne, starting in May of 2019.

In July, I joined Yves Monnier, Eric Flickinger, our associate speaker, and an amazing group of dedicated volunteers to share the Three Angels' Messages at 61 locations in and around Manila in the Philippines. By the grace of God, the campaign was a huge success with 3,000 precious

souls giving their lives to Christ in baptism! God worked in a powerful way. One important reason: the churches in Manila are constantly focused on sharing Christ, consistently working to make connections and win hearts for Jesus. As a result, I knew that people were ready to make decisions because of the ongoing work that had already been done. **And God worked miracles in turning hearts towards heaven.**

This was one of 61 locations throughout Manila where people accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior.



One of our volunteers, I'll call Lisha, shared an inspiring story. A man attending her meetings wore a mask over his face each night, the kind of mask that is typically worn by people walking in the city. She asked him about the mask. "I wear it because I have boils on my face," he replied. Lisha asked if she could pray for him and he agreed. She prayed for healing.

Candidate after candidate told me that they were making a decision for Christ because someone invited them.

On the night Lisha appealed for people to be baptized, she did not recognize him when he came forward with the large group surrendering their lives to Jesus. On the day of the large baptism he approached Lisha. "Remember me? I am so thankful for your prayers. **The night you prayed for me, I took my mask off when I got home and the boils were completely gone. God has healed me!**"

Physical and spiritual healing happens every day as It Is Written Bible workers reach hearts for Christ. Right now, as my team and I are ministering in Australia, earnest preparations are going forward in Stuttgart, Germany where Eric Flickinger will be presenting a series of meetings next month. In a country steeped in tradition and secularism, local church members are conducting Bible studies and a number of people who attended meetings a year ago are now attending church regularly. On the other side of the world, Bible workers and church members are building relationships in Indianapolis and Phoenix in preparation for major meetings scheduled for 2019 and 2020.

Along with vital personal ministry, **outreach still costs real dollars and cents:** a Bible study mailing, a Bible worker's salary, a health clinic, or a major evangelistic campaign. The costs are not insignificant, but the investment is so worth making!

As an It Is Written supporter, I know that sharing Jesus with others every day is your life's goal. This month, I want to give you the opportunity to touch lives through It Is Written every month. Because time is short and it's imperative that we reach as many people as we can with the good news, I'm asking you to make a monthly gift to It Is Written. Any amount makes a lasting impact and shares the gospel. Your gift can be automatically deducted from your checking account or credit card. Either complete the enclosed card, set up a recurring gift at itiswritten.com/give, or call us at 800-479-9056. If you are already making a **monthly** gift, I want to challenge you to increase that amount by 10% if you are able to do so.

If you are unable to make a monthly gift, please know that your **one time gift** is a blessing and makes an eternal impact on hearts for God's kingdom. ***Evangelism at It Is Written takes place all year long thanks to your support and as a result, many, many souls are being won to Christ.***

As Eric, Yves, and I stood in the large swimming pool we used for baptisms in the Philippines, we were overwhelmed with the joy of people committing their lives to Jesus Christ. One young lady, about 20, told Eric a friend had invited her to attend the meetings two months earlier. And I heard the same story over and over again as I asked each person I baptized what it was that brought them to this point in their life. Invariably, the answer was, "A friend invited me."

People reach people! Thank you for inviting people to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior every day, and for your support in enabling It Is Written to reach people all around the world with the best news ever shared!

May God bless you.

Your partner in daily evangelism,



Pastor John Bradshaw
Speaker/Director, It Is Written

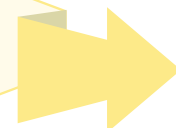
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P.S. Evangelism happens in daily interactions where hearts are turned towards Jesus. I'm writing this from Australia where we are working with local churches across Melbourne to prepare for meetings next year. Work has been going on for months in Stuttgart, Germany and in Phoenix and Indianapolis in the United States. This month, I'm asking you to make a monthly commitment to sharing the gospel through It Is Written, which will enable It Is Written to impact even more lives in preparation for the return of Jesus. It is easy to set up a monthly gift from your credit card or checking account. Thank you for making a difference — every day — in the lives of people looking for Jesus.

Update!

Turn the page for an exciting update about the new It Is Written headquarters.





It Is Written Ministry Headquarters Update

We are excited to see the new It Is Written ministry headquarters taking shape. I wanted to share some recent photos of the steel skeleton being installed. Visit itiswritten.build for all the latest details.

