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A GIFT THAT CHANGED LIFE

In a community in Bihar, North India, Transformation India Movement began breaking the chains of poverty and despair with a simple tool. Missionaries distributed sewing machines to help women earn a living. In a graduation service in May'12, 59 sewing machines were distributed. The women were extremely grateful for their new sewing machines. Sheela Devi, was very poor woman from an outcaste background. Because of her poverty and low caste background, she was not feeling confident to face people or find a job. Her husband was bringing very little money which was

not enough to meet the needs of the family. Seeing her helplessness, One of TIM church planters helped her to be trained in Bridge of Hope Sewing Center and was given a sewing machine. ***This woman received a new life in the form of a sewing machine.*** She walked 2 miles carrying her baby on her shoulder for 6 months to learn the trade. She is now self supportive and the business is helping her children to study. She says, Now she can send her children also to a good school like others are sending. Sheela Devi and her husband became followers of Christ and they took baptism and

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attend the House church regularly. **Thanks to her sewing machine, Sheela Devi now has totally a new life.** TIM Bridge of Hope Sewing Training Program has helped over 500 women to learn a trade and many of them have started their own business. All the women who came to the training have heard the gospel and many are believers and part of the local church. Their families are being reached. The gospel has reached their villages because of the sewing training. There are 46 more women ready for graduation. **You can buy a Sewing machine for \$100 and change their life for ever.**



Clean water Changes Lives Spiritually and Physically:

Clean water is not a luxury to many villages in Bihar, it is a basic need. Through its clean drinking water project, TIM provides water wells to villages in need throughout the state of Bihar. I am extremely happy to let you know that **TIM is getting ready to dedicate the 1000 water wells in Bihar. Praise God for the great opportunity to touch lives and communities in Bihar. Most of the funding for the well project is provided through TIM's partnership with North Carolina Baptist Men. The partnership began in 2007 after Richard Brunson, NCBM executive Director-Treasurer witnessed firsthand TIM's ministry and the conditions in Bihar.** People from all walks of lives in Bihar have found new life physically and spiritually through the clean water project in their villages. Aged People tasted clean water for the first time. Churches have been planted. Thousands of villagers heard the

gospel for the first time. **Thanks to NCBM and other TIM Partners who saw the needs and partnered to change lives in Bihar.**

Through TIM water wells, people are enjoying a good life and good health. We received almost hundred letters from village chiefs and local people appreciating the TIM transformational work in the villagers in Bihar.

TIM water well is a powerful witness that is breaking down barriers to the gospel.

Each well has a permanent inscription in Hindi that proclaims Jesus as the giver of living water. **In Most cases, that well is the only witness in a village.**

The clean water well project has become an evangelistic tool to take the gospel to many villages that were previously closed to the gospel.

TIM is determined to fulfill His mission through a holistic ministry that begins with something as simple as giving people clean water in the name of Jesus Christ.

There are millions needing fresh water in their homes and villages. In many cases, sowing seeds in Bihar is as simple as providing clean water in Jesus' name . **By buying a well for \$800, you can change their lives and communities for Christ.**

I quote what Rev. Richard Brunson said, "We are called to meet people's needs in Jesus' name and there is not a place I can think of that is in greater need in the world than Bihar. And we have a great way to do it and make a big difference in a place that over the years has seen very little of the light."

God is moving in Bihar like never before. People are responding to the gospel and the opportunities are wide open. The seeds that have been planted will yield its fruits in due season. The goal is to provide an opportunity for every person to hear the gospel and plant a church in every village in Bihar. The wells are a crucial first step in that process.

Baptism:

Praise God for the hundreds of new believers who have trusted the Lord as their savior in the past months. In May and June over 125 believers took baptism and many more are ready. Villages like Dawan, nobody knew the name of Jesus until TIM the church planter went to this village and shared the gospel for the first time. There are millions waiting for one opportunity to hear the gospel. Your sponsorship of a church planter for \$125 a month, will help thousands of people to hear the gospel. Every month, new villages are reached and new churches are being planted.

Village Chiefs Conference:

TIM has been working with village chiefs for drilling wells, educating the illiterate children and helping women to own a business in Bihar. We have seen a tremendous participation on the part of the village chiefs in helping the transformational activity of TIM to change lives and community and spread the work in many areas of Bihar. Trusting God, we are planning to hold a Village chiefs conference in August 25' 2012 in Bihar. We are expecting over 150 people to participate. Please continue to pray for this conference. We hope this meeting will be a huge help in spreading the goodnews and have access to many more village to touch lives and transform communities.



TIM Center Construction:

With your prayers and support, we have been able to start the TIM Center construction project and it is going on in Patna. **TIM CENTER is very important because our missionary trainees were kicked out of the rented building during the training and it is stopped. Due to the new city developments and migration, Hindu House owners are raising rent randomly and we either have to stop the ministry or pay a huge rent which gives us less resources for ministry.** The Center will provide permanent facility and safety to the orphanage children, Pastors training Program, TIM Ministry office, education center for the local community kids and a conference facility etc. Thanks a lot for your prayers and support for this project. We are in need of \$ 145,000 more to finish the 1st phase (3 story) of the project. **Your contribution today will help many to receive new life and be equipped for God's Kingdom.** Any contribution will enhance this project to be completed on time.

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Praise & Prayer Points:

- praise God for the Hundreds of believers who received Christ in the past months and got baptized.
- praise God for the New villages who heard the gospel for the first time and the new churches being planted.
- Please Pray for the village Chief conference in August.
- TIM center Construction Project to be completed on time.
- TIM 10 yrs Anniversary in October - 600 Pastors and believers are gathering. For speakers and Arrangements.
- New church planters to be sent to the Unreached villages and new believers to stand strong in their faith.
- Safety of TIM staffs, Leaders, planters and orphanage children.
- Funds for the TIM Anniversary celebration, TIM Center construction and Village Chiefs Conference.

Please send your Tax Deductible gift for TIM to NC Baptist Men, 205 Convention Drive, Cary, NC - 27512.

Thank you very much for serving the people of Bihar, North India.

In Christ's Service for the unreached,

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