

## NEWS FROM THE AUTO EVANGELISM (THE GOSPEL IN THE TAXI)

Having seen majority of the riders liked the gospel preached in a moving public bus in 1971, evangelism in the transportation plan was conceived. The founders of the “Gospel Chariot “in Africa (1980), the founders of “Gospel Chariot” in Rajahmundry, the founders of “evangelism in the taxi” in Singapore and me haven’t had a chance to consult with each other on or before our plans were born. This simply says to me God gives similar plans to his workers around the globe at the same time for the spread of the good news of Jesus. Of course we all have the Bible example of the gospel preached in a moving transportation. (Acts. 8; 26-39).



This 3 wheeler taxi is widely used in India. The cassette player in the taxi plays gospel songs and gospel preaching. Bible lessons are available in the seat pockets.

Most of the preachers graduated from our preaching school go to new places to establish the church. They need monetary help to maintain their families. The willing preacher taxi drivers make enough money for their needs. When the taxi riders know the gospel is free and the drivers are not paid for the preaching but out of love they better appreciate the message and the messenger.



The riders are thankful to the honest and kind preacher drivers for charging only reasonable fare and being helpful to the elderly, disabled and pregnant women walking them to the hospital or their homes. Most of them sign up for Bible study in their homes. For these reasons and more these taxis stay busy all the time. Now 19 taxis are operated. We are praying for the opportunity to send out a hundred taxis to the streets of Chennai.



Visiting brethren got interested in this plan and they wanted to introduce it in Mexico where they visit and work.

The church meeting place address displayed at the rear of the taxi helps people to find where the churches of Christ meet. One of those days while I was working the Bible lesson in my cabin a person walked in and shook hands with me. He acted like he knew me forever. That was the first time we ever met. Vasu Munusamy from South Africa was on a 2 weeks business vacation to Chennai, India. Out of the airport in Chennai he hired a taxi to go to his hotel room. Having seen a church of Christ taxi in front of his taxi he asked his driver to follow the church of Christ taxi and he ended up at my work place. He and his family are church of Christ members in South Africa and were so excited to find the same church in Chennai India. Like him many hundreds found out the church meeting places seeing the sign board at the rear of our taxis.



Bread and butter to the preacher drive and saving gospel to the city. Isaiah 55:10. "Seed to the sower and bread to the eater".

THE MOBILE GOSPEL TEAM IS ANOTHER VERSION OF THE BUS MINISTRY. The bus with a team of preachers goes out into rural towns and preaches the gospel. The bus is their home. Necessary tools including a portable baptistery to work they carry in the bus. They work in a town teaching everyone who is willing to study and preaching under a tent until the church is established there. Then they move on to the next town. We send a preacher to the church established from the preacher school.



360 towns covered so far and still counting. Bibles, song books, charts, tracts and other needed items for the growth of the children of God are distributed to them. This team enrol students for Bible correspondence course, and identify the poor kids needing help with schooling, the poor widows and orphans, the poor sick and disabled people who needing help. They are connected with the respective avenues of services provided by our teams. 18,000 souls saved for eternity.

From 2005 the medical bus accompanies the gospel bus.



Many hundreds helped each day in the medical bus. As they come to know we care they care to listen to the message of eternal life.