

Spiritual Warfare: Seeking Power from on High...

More than ever before, we Christians need to clothe ourselves in the armor of the Holy Spirit before marching to the battle zones currently occupied by the forces of the Enemy. It becomes absolutely necessary, therefore, for the Church to be involved in individual, group and corporate prayer.

In recognition of this fact, we seek to serve the Church in the following ways:

- Holding Concerts of Prayer
- Seeking Revival Through Nights of Prayer
- Praying Through the Window for the Gateway Cities of the World
- Prayer Walks to Break Spiritual Strongholds, etc.

"And it was at this time that He went off to the mountain to pray, and He spent the whole night in prayer to God." (Luke 6:12)

"These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer..." (Acts 1:14)



Sam Elisha Ministries

S.E.M. International, Inc.

P.O. Box 3896
Columbia, SC 29230-3896
Phone/Fax: (803) 754-4030
E-mail: semintinc@cs.com



Sam Elisha Ministries

**Speaking cross-culturally
to the church**



*Serving Christ through a multifaceted
ministry of helps and inspiration!*

Biographical sketch

Sam and his wife Shakun were born and raised in North India where they finished their undergraduate studies and spent part of their working lives. They have lived in North America for over 38 years now, 29 of them in Canada. They are, therefore, quick to point out that their long residence on this continent has added a Western dimension to their Eastern upbringing.

Sam's parents descended from Muslim and Hindu converts and his father was a rural Pastor in a predominantly non-Christian part of India. While growing up in the Punjab, he watched his father and mother bear a faithful and forceful witness of the Gospel to the followers of non-Christian religions without antagonizing members of those faith communities. Belonging to a tiny religious minority (less than 1% of the population), but desiring to uphold and proclaim their Christian faith, the Elisha family learned first-hand the meaning of complete and utter dependence

upon God, no matter what the circumstances.

Raising seven children on a rural Pastor's salary, traveling on foot and, where possible, by bicycle, to minister to the spiritual and physical needs of a poor congregation scattered over 80 villages, facing a hostile social and religious environment in which to preach the Gospel boldly, and walking through the fires of

persecution, when so required,

Sam's parents left behind a legacy of a bold, sturdy and vibrant faith reminiscent of the one followed by many followers of Jesus Christ in the early centuries of the church.

'I breathed an air of Christian witness in a multi-ethnic and multi-religious environment,' says

Sam proudly.

Being a life-long student of World Religions, Sam has been involved in various lay evangelism ministries since 1956. Subsequent to his graduate studies in English Literature and Library Science in Canada, he worked as an Academic Librarian for many years and then managed a small business of his own.



Since coming to Columbia, SC, Sam has dedicated his life to the task of informing, educating and challenging the North American church about the changing religious landscape in this country, a fact which he says will profoundly impact the spiritual climate of this country for generations to come. SEM International exists, therefore, to train and equip those Christians who are concerned about reaching out and evangelizing the world for Christ, whether in this country or overseas.

At the service of the Church

Combining a healthy blend of cross-cultural insights with a global perspective on Missions and World Religions, Sam is available to Churches, Sunday Schools, Missions Conferences, or other groups large or small, for speaking engagements with an emphasis on topics such as the following, among others;

- World Missions from a Third World Perspective
- The Coming Storm: non-Christian Religions in North America
- The 10/40 Window: an Inside Look
- The Suffering Church: it is Time to Shatter the Silence
- Grace Abounding: What is God doing in the World Today?
- Proclaiming Christ in a pluralistic society
- From 'Christians' to Disciples of Christ: not Spectators, but Participants
- And much more!

In addition, Sam conducts **SEMINARS on Hinduism, Islam and Sikhism**, so that Christian believers can become better equipped to have a meaningful witness to members of other religions.

PLEASE TEAR ALONG THE DOTTED LINE AND MAIL TO THE ADDRESS BELOW

S.E.M. International, Inc.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Dear Sam and Shakun:

- Please send me more information on your ministry.
- The Lord is leading me to be a financial partner with your ministry.*
 - Monthly commitment of \$ _____; \$25; \$50; \$100
 - Special one-time gift of \$ _____; \$250; \$500; \$1000
 - Other \$ _____

* Please make all support checks payable to S.E.M. International, Inc. and mail them to: P.O. Box 3896, Columbia, S.C. 29230-3896.

S.E.M. International, Inc. subscribes to the highest standards of fiscal integrity, and all donations are fully tax deductible.



Sam Elisha Ministries



WE WANT
YOU AS
OUR
PARTNERS
IN THIS
ENDEAVOR!

Discerning the signs of the times

"But He answered and said to them... Do you know how to discern the appearance of the sky, but cannot discern the signs of the times? (Matt. 16:2-3)

The religious landscape of America has been changing, slowly but surely, over the last four decades of this century. Millions of new immigrants, business and professional workers and students have, naturally, brought their religions with them. These world religions are actively involved in propagating their message in America - and finding many who are willing to listen and convert!

We can either hate the followers of these non-Christian religions, ignore them, or do the best we can to reach them with the message of the Gospel. We believe that as followers of Jesus Christ, we have no choice but to do the latter!

The problem is: most Christians have not had any background or training in world religions to be able to effectively engage their followers into a meaningful dialog, either here at home, or even abroad.

As Third-World Missionaries to North America, Shakun and I have felt the call to inform, train and equip Christian believers so that they can engage in cross-cultural evangelism.

Since we have dedicated ourselves to this task, we stand ready to answer any call for help in this area.