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James R. Hines, Pastor

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Re: Joel Madasu

Dear Friends in Christ:

I am writing to introduce you to the ministry of Joel Madasu, from the state of Andhra Pradesh in India.

I first met Joel when I was conducting a seminar in the city of Tiruvur for his father, Dr. Joshua Madasu, in 1995. Joel was just a boy then, and it was his duty to summon my friend and myself to meals while we were staying in their home during the seminar. Since then his father has developed a fine school for training young men as national pastors and encouraging them in starting churches all over the area. I have spent time on their campus on several different occasions.

Joel's father is a dedicated, anti-liberal, fundamental Baptist. He has passed on his zeal for serving the Lord to his son Joel. In a country where there is such a jumble of confusing doctrines with liberalism, pentecostalism and superstition all mixed together, it is always refreshing to find someone who really stands for the truth.

Joel has been in this country for training for a number of years. He has worked hard, prayed and waited on the Lord to further his education without losing his love for the ministry in his country. Most of the Christian workers in India that you hear of, are mainly located in Kerala, in the Southern tip of India. The Madasus are located in the North Central part of the country where there is not much Christian influence.

It is Joel's intention to return to work with his father in training young men and starting churches. I have always been in favor of native Christian workers because they can do so much more, more easily, at much smaller cost. I am sure that Joel will do a good job there and he is worthy of your consideration if you would allow him to present his burden for India to your people.

Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor James R. Hines