



## September

## 2009

*God be praised!*

**Last Thursday, prompted by His Spirit, we ventured off to preach the Gospel & distribute literature in a town market that we had not visited for many years.** We were delayed in starting & by the time we arrived, the 'GG' market was overflowing & finding a place was not easy. Once we had spread Bibles, Bible portions and other Christian literature on the tarpaulin, Ps Rogers began to preach, beginning with Genesis & establishing a base from which to explain God's Word and the wonderful message of salvation.

Lo & behold, who should appear within the first half hour but a strict Wahabiya (Taliban type). After his initial cry of "Lies, lies, lies!" he began a stream of accusations against our stand that the Bible is the Word of God and the usual objections against the Trinity, the prophecy of the Holy Spirit's arrival, etc. When we asked him to kindly leave us in peace, that we had permission to continue our business, he launched into further accusations that we paid people to convert, that our religion was for whites and that we were just learning local languages and translating the Word into local languages in order to deceive people away from the holy Qu'ran and make Catholics out of them. A couple of more mature people ushered him aside to talk reasonably with him but he managed to shrug them off & stir up other young people to his cause.

**Within minutes we were set upon by about a dozen young men, all infected with the same prejudice & mouthing nasty comments.** Even a few young ladies from the same sect

began railing on us. With hearts stirred by the enemy of our faith, the young men began to push us around & demand our immediate departure. Two of them took the ends of the tarpaulin to overturn all our literature. They began prodding & poking Ps Rogers forcibly and amidst all the shouts & cries, we managed to get ourselves heard enough to ask for time to put the books away so that we could leave in peace. Thankfully, enough of them conceded to our request & we managed to recover our material before it spoiled on the ground. **They were breathing down our necks as we packed up the car & a number of them began banging & kicking the car as we took off.**

We made an official complaint to the local authorities and when i returned to our regional chief in Pita, i wrote him a written account. They were very sympathetic to our cause, insisting that it was not a Taliban controlled country & we had freedom to share our faith openly, that if they didn't put a stop to these outbursts, then the country would end in chaos. **Despite vehement cries of 'get lost & don't come back' from a vocal minority, we believe God wants to touch this village & many are the souls who need to hear it!** We will not let militant minorities dictate the terms. Pray for us that God would continue to fill us with faith and wisdom, enabling us" to speak with great boldness" (Acts 4:29).

Before taking off for our expected day of evangelism, my prayer was "Lord, let your light fall on a Paul today; transform a zealous soul who can take the Gospel to these people & contextualise & speak it better than we." **As we left the town, I had the chilling thought that to 'make' a Paul, we would first need to be prepared to face a Saul!**

**Bruce Langford**



*P.S. Just yesterday, I received an official letter of apology with the perpetrator's signature & the signatures of the district president as well, asking for pardon & promising that such an event will not be repeated.*

*Pray for the village of 'GG' that God would prepare hearts for healing, deliverance & salvation.*

*And pray for our Wahabi 'friend' that he would encounter the light & love of Christ!*

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