



"Helping ignite culturally relevant worship, especially in places where Christ followers are restricted, persecuted or unknown."

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Robin Harris to Siberia

Before joining Heart Sounds International, Robin and Bill Harris invested ten years into the lives of the *Sakha*, a major Siberian tribal group. Robin recently returned there to continue mentoring Sakha musicians and finish research for a scholarly paper about *Sakha* music she will present at the annual conference of the Society of Ethnomusicology.

Robin will also connect with *Algys*, the recently-formed *Sakha* arts fellowship. *Algys* seeks to use biblically grounded, culturally-appropriate music and art as contextualized forms of worship. One landmark event organized by *Algys* was the recent *Sakha* New Song Festival, the first of its kind in Yakutia, Siberia. Robin will premiere the DVD a Heart Sounds International team recorded of the event.



Following that, Robin will attend a conference focused on reaching shamanistic peoples. You can follow Robin's daily schedule through a unique Virtual Prayer Journey (VPJ) prepared by Jolene Wilson, our prayer coordinator.

[Click here to get the VPJ](#)

PRAY that Robin will accomplish her goals during her time in Siberia. Pray that she will have much freedom when she speaks and lectures in the Russian language.

Frank Fortunato to India

This trip to India proved to be one of the most productive journeys to date for HSI's co-founder. A leadership team that includes a top Indian arranger/producer formed to coordinate the release of ten children's recordings over the next seven years. Some 120 songs from the recordings will form a music curriculum to learn about God and how to respond to Him in devotion and obedience. Various fun songs will deal with ways to relate to one another. The English songs on the recordings will be used in the 60 Dalit Educational Centers began by Operation Mobilization. Another 100 Dalit schools in North India will focus on using the Hindi songs from the recordings. In all, close to 50,000 students will use the bi-lingual recordings! The full amount of funding needed was recently pledged for the first recording.



PRAY for the songs that need to be chosen by the end of September. Pray for the children's choir who need to learn and practice the songs during the months preceding the recording.

Important HSI Summit

Twice annually the HSI team meets to plan and strategize. The next such retreat will take place in late September. Among other activities scheduled over the three days together we will revise our purpose statement, plan our next trips for 2008-2009 and review our master plan. We will also hold an "open house" for potential HSI future staff.

PRAY for wisdom as we plan the next phases of HSI's ministry. Pray for the many that have expressed interest in joining an HSI team to attend our "open house" evening.

CONNECTING WITH HSI

Pray - Prayer is the fuel that powers this ministry. (Matthew 21:22)

Go - There are always opportunities to serve. [Contact us](#) for available options. (Isaiah 6:8)

Give - If you would like to financially support HSI..... (Mark 12:41-43)
[Click here to support a staff member.](#) (Please provide details)
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JOB OPPORTUNITY

Administrative Assistant

HSI is looking for an Administrative Assistant to join the office team on a full time or part time basis. If you enjoy administrative type work with an appreciation of music, then we invite you to contact us for further information.

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