



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

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Heart Sounds International On the Move

Greetings! Heart Sounds International travels each year to places where Christ-followers are restricted, persecuted or unknown in order to help ignite biblically appropriate and culturally relevant heart worship. In the next six months HSI teams will have ministry in six locations, including India, Myanmar, Russia, Philippines, Malawi and Mongolia. In this month's edition of HeartBeats, we summarize for you our first three trips. Come along with us in prayer!

May: India

A team from North and South India, London, the United Kingdom and the USA will start the first recording for Dalit (untouchable—oppressed) children being educated in the 70 Dalit educational centers run by Operation Mobilization—India. The first project will feature songs about God's greatness and love as well as how we respond to Him in devotion and obedience. HSI co-founder Frank Fortunato leads the team to India.



June: Siberia



Bill and Robin Harris will lead a team of eight to Siberia for three weeks, helping and encouraging Siberian indigenous Christians who are struggling to contextualize the gospel through their music and arts. The trip includes a recording project of recently-composed music and team members (coming from California, Alaska, Georgia, and Moscow) will be given an exposure to ethnodoxology on the field as they conduct research and participate in the musical and worship life of communities there in Siberia.

June: Myanmar



Frank Fortunato will also lead a team to Yangon, Myanmar to help train music students at the nation's only Christian music institute. The team will teach principles of musicianship and worship leading while two recording engineers will train faculty and students in using recording equipment donated by HSI to the institute. The team will also record new songs written by the students for this occasion.

Next month we will review upcoming trips in the Philippines, Malawi and Mongolia.

May God use music and the arts to reach longing hearts with the Gospel!

Frank Fortunato
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