



January 2008

Dear Friends,

I trust you had a wonderful holiday season and that you are off to the best year of your life!

Last year was a wonderful year for us at WOW. We ministered to over 60,000 people with 9,522 receiving Jesus; however, the year ended with some major challenges.

Our loyal and dedicated administrator of 12 years, Kathy Hernandez, (while unloading a van in front of our house) was crushed between two cars, with her legs being pinned for close to a minute. When I heard her scream I ran to help her, only to twist my leg and totally sever the main ligament in my knee, the ACL.

After a few days in the hospital, Kathy came home with a fractured right leg, a torn ACL and major bruising to her bones and muscles. The extent of her injuries will not be known until all the swelling goes down.

I, in turn, required extensive surgery, causing great pain. We are both home recovering, and we have graduated from walkers to a cane. The doctors have told us that it will be six months to a year for full recovery.

Because of the accident we had to cancel our very critical Annual WOW JAM Christmas Fundraiser Party. This is a time when we cast vision for the

new year and raise money to close out the year and begin the new year.

This year, we have 42 WOW JAMS planned around the country where we will minister to over 100,000 people, mobilizing 10,500 workers and projecting over 15,000 to receive Jesus.

Our first WOW JAM is just 2 ½ months away in New Orleans; and, with God's strength, I will be on the truck preaching the Gospel to hurting people.

I am asking for your prayers for a speedy and complete recovery for Kathy and for me, strength for Linda and our family and staff, and for all the financial needs to be met, in spite of the cancelled Christmas fundraiser.

I am also asking you as our friends and partners to invest in WOW with a financial gift this month. I believe 2008 will be the best year of your life, and mine, and with your prayers and financial support it will be the best year in the lives of thousands of people who live in the inner cities of our country.

Thank you and God bless you!

Stephen & Linda Tavani

