

Youngren Falsely Accused for Miracles

World Impact Ministries recently wrapped up a dramatic Gospel Friendship Festival in India. But not without opposition.

Peter Youngren, the ministry's leader, has been accused of practicing medicine without a license. Newspapers reported astounding healings of people who were deaf, blind and handicapped, citing specific names and cases and claiming that massive crowds were in attendance.

In an effort to refute the miracle accounts now widely circulated in Nagpur, one anti-Christian group offered Youngren 1.5 million rupees (\$30,000) to prove that his prayers could cure ailments.

That night, in typical style, Youngren told the crowd that his prayers are very weak and that not much should be expected from them—that he has no special gifts for miracles, but that he has a very strong Jesus.

The meeting ended with 70 minutes of nonstop healing testimonies. The local Christians rejoiced, especially when a politician from the very party that caters to the anti-Christian groups was on the platform testifying that the tumors across his stomach and chest had been removed by Jesus.