Title: IA Training and Healing in Panama

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Greetings all,

We want thank those who prayed for our trip to Panama. Your prayers have been answered abundantly! The seminar went especially well – we had ~90 people show up (we were expecting 25 to 30), the conference room was beautiful, comfortable, just the right size (there were only 5 chairs left), and provided free of charge, all of the audio-visual equipment and the "first time ever used" Spanish subtitles worked without a single problem, and the feedback we have received since the conference has been enthusiastically positive. The translation process took longer than we had expected, so we only had time to do two exercises, but we still included a short exercise that included going to painful memories.

We only had time for one person from each group to try going to a painful memory, and the show of hands after the exercise indicated a very high percentage of participants experiencing some kind of healing (it may have been 100% -- it looked like one person from every group raised their hand). Two of the people who raised their hands were willing to share with the larger group, and they had clearly experienced powerful, meaningful healing for longstanding painful memories. One of these two has talked to me after the conference and can describe several specific, observable changes since the exercise that indicate lasting healing.

Also, one of the groups consisted of a couple who had never used the Immanuel approach before and then also a non-Christian mental health professional who was attending the conference in response to encouragement from a colleague who was attending. During the exercise the non-Christian mental health professional went to several severely traumatic memories, experienced a powerful connection with the Lord, received healing for her traumatic memories, and then decided to give her life to Christ (all in 40 minutes, and in spite of us telling the group not to go to severe trauma memories). Needless to say, the couple facilitating the process were very excited and encouraged.

In addition to the seminar we also had a number of other opportunities to teach, mentor, minister, consult, and fellowship. We met with ~25 people involved in emotional healing ministry for several hours one of the evenings, we met with ~40 people on another evening, we had a number of opportunities to provide consultation ministry sessions (all of which ended in beautiful healing), we were able to observe the leader of the Panama team facilitating ministry (more beautiful healing), and we had many opportunities for fellowship and informal consultation.

Thanks again for your prayers. The Lord is good, and it is a privilege to be a part of His work.

Blessings,

Dr. Lehman/Karl

P.S. We also spent some time enjoying the Lord's amazing creation through snorkeling and birdwatching.

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