

Title: IA Training and Healing in Kenya #4 – Maasai Pastors

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Greetings all,

Here is the fourth segment of Andy and Kristin Ross' description of their recent Immanuel Approach training and ministry in Kenya.

Blessings,

Dr. Lehman/Karl

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Andy and Kristin Ross' IA training and ministry in Kenya, continued:

I was also able to teach an abridged version of the Immanuel Prayer Healing to a group of Maasai pastors. I taught in the afternoon while my dad taught in the morning. He shared the important lessons about unity and conflict resolution and discipleship we can learn through church history.

The Maasai pastors liked the first step of Immanuel prayers: sharing stories of God's faithfulness. These included miraculous physical healings, protection when one accidentally walked into the middle of a herd of elephants, complete recovery from addictions, epilepsy and more. They also grasped the second step of inviting Jesus in the present. They reported seeing visions such as a garden and God saying the harvest is plentiful or God saying although you are old I am not finished giving gifts to you and your family.

I don't think there was sufficient time for all of them to fully grasp the third step of how to open a memory and invite Jesus into it. However, during the small group practice time one group reported opening a painful memory of a conflict with a neighboring pastor. When they invited Jesus he told them to forgive the pastor, so they made a plan to have a meeting with him and forgive him upon return to their home. It was a joy to witness their faith and to hear their stories. The Maasai church has struggles, but I was blessed to witness the maturity and boldness of many of these faithful leaders.

To be continued....