Update from IA Team In India

December 5, 2013

Greetings all,

Just wanted to send a quick note to let you know that the India team arrived safely, and to pass on some (slightly adapted) clips from their e-mails:

"We are praying for one of the leaders in the anti-human trafficking team....We are doing Immanuel prayer with him and God has been showing up....He was blown away. He is not a believer yet....It's so funny – he is interpreting for us and sharing Christ with the women, and telling them "Oh, that is Jesus showing up."....Please pray with us that he gives his life over to Jesus."

"We had an amazing session with our 7 interpreters. All but one encountered Jesus as we taught them and they experienced Immanuel healing prayer. One pastor said, "I have been a Christian for 20 years, I have never experienced anything like this." He was overwhelmed at what Jesus said to him and how He showed up and explained his whole life. We had him give his testimony in front of the 1000 pastors that are here. He said nothing like this has every been taught to them....The Indian church only knows lecture style, and so this small group encountering Jesus is so fun to teach them. They are being met with the God of the Universe and He is speaking to them and they are overwhelmed!!!"

"We were able to share about Immanuel prayer [with the group of a thousand pastors] the very first day. Chip and Mark spoke, and it was great! Another one of the leaders of our Safe House and Anti human trafficking team said four times to Mark, "I need this, I want to do this with you." So we will be doing a one on one session and training the leaders of anti-trafficking team to do this. Please pray for those sessions!"

"We trained 267 women yesterday (there were supposed to be only 50), but this is India and you have to be flexible. It was great and crazy all at the same time. Definitely challenging to have only 7 interpreters. But with God all things are possible and I would say 50-75% connected with Jesus. We will be meeting today again with those women and increasing their capacity to go deeper with Jesus. God is at work!!! They are hearing from the Lord."

"Plans - times, number of people, who we are going to minister to - can change in an instant. For example, the first morning they said, "You will speak to the entire conference (of 1,000 pastors) today, not tomorrow," and, "You will have 250 women today, not 50." So planning for things like interpreters and preparations for group size is hard. But the people are hungry, very gracious, and we leave each day exhausted, but spiritually energized by seeing God give people victory. Many courageous people are risking much to rescue these girls so obviously details are confidential."

As you can see, the Lord is doing some really exciting stuff. Thank you for your prayers, and keep praying.

Blessings,

Dr. Lehman/Karl

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