

Title: Good News From Uganda. Keep Praying!

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Greetings all,

I wanted to share some excerpts from e-mails I received from Kati and Mary Beth over the last two days. Thanks for your prayers, and keep on praying!

Blessings,

Dr. Lehman/Karl

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From Kati:

"I am overwhelmed at the kindness and goodness of our God. Just when I think I can't possibly be undone by Him again, He does it again. Tenderly speechless."

"We have witnessed women encountering Jesus with joy, power, and awe. Women have experienced physical, emotional and spiritual healing. We have seen cloudy thinking become clear, fear and pain dissipate, and "little girl" hearts coming alive. Without exception, each has had powerful intimacy with Jesus and they want more. One after another is voicing their desire to share this with those in their community. Just as we hoped and prayed!"

"Immanuel has given us just what we've needed at the right time, in ways we could never have orchestrated. From unexpected team members, to an additional translator (for a second language), to one woman joining us a day late--which was perfect for so many reasons--to doing a joint 15 minute counseling and prayer session for our driver as we drove from a gas station back home."

"Mary Beth and I are having such fun working and ministering together. Learning and creating more together than we ever could alone. My cup overflows with gratitude. We are rich beyond measure."

From Mary Beth:

"We spent most of day 1 practicing sharing good, positive stories and practicing appreciation (gratitude/thankfulness). Sounds simple- it's not! One of their positive

stories included having enough food to give their baby. What is happy is hard to find for many. It's so humbling."

"When we needed a break, we would stop & one of them would lead the group in a worship song. They come alive in worship. By 4pm we could see they were "done," and we taught capacity by filling a cup with water and saying, "this is full, it has reached its capacity." Then I poured more water till it overflowed on the floor. "Your brains are full, if we teach more, it will be too much- like the water." They laughed and clapped. Then we went outside and drummed and danced. Again, they came alive and joyful dancing."

"Today, day 2 of training, was amazing! The new interpreter who came is a new youth pastor. He interpreted for the group, and learned Immanuel prayer in the process. He wants to teach it to the youth he works with! Unexpected! Today we broke Immanuel process into 5 basic steps that they could remember on the fingers of one hand...they got it! They learned it, practiced it, and seem very excited about it. Each woman connected with Jesus in a powerful, meaningful way."

"One woman said she never knew Jesus could be with her in a Real way. When she asked him to be with her in her prayer, she could see him and talk with him. She knows what he looks like and he wants to be with her. Now she knows he can be with her in a real way. Her smile radiated as she spoke. Another said her brain has been foggy for a long time. When she was connecting with Jesus, she felt something change in her head, like a snap, and things looked clearer. As she shared her experience with the group, her communication was flowing clearer with us too. Her face was full of joy. she believes Jesus worked a miracle for her."

"Another tearfully said she has always seen others pray, and never thought she would be able to pray well for others, practicing Immanuel today showed her that she can. She was very moved by this and grateful. Another didn't think Jesus should come to her, because she was backsliding. We helped her coach (facilitator) ask her if she could talk to Jesus about this. She did, and with many tears asked for forgiveness and released much shame. She said through tears, "He forgave me. I can love him again. I am so happy."

"Kati and I are working so well together! it's so sweet to look across the room when something powerful is happening and catch each other's eye and know we are both saying "thank you Jesus, for this amazing thing you are doing" in our hearts right while it's happening. It's delightful to share the moments - what I've written above doesn't come close to capturing the joy that is abounding! I'm grateful to share it with her."

"So many more stories, so richly exhausted!"

From Kati:

“Our morning began with "tips" for them in the Coach role along with gentle re-directions/corrections we felt needed emphasizing. They responded well. As we finished, one woman, Josephine, looked uncomfortable. The translator said she had pain in her head. I motioned to the woman next to her to lay hands on her and Mary Beth did the same. We invited Holy Spirit to come. The next thing I knew I was in the middle of a hands-on demo with Immanuel Prayer! What a spontaneous gift from Abba....By the end of our time with Josephine, she had felt her body lifted up high by Jesus in bright white as He gently took away her pain. This is Our God!”

“Over three days we experienced moment after moment of God providing the exact manna we needed in a variety of forms and flavors. They each shared hearts full of gratitude for learning this unique way of meeting Jesus....We heard women's voices grow stronger with confidence that they, too, could pray for a friend and point them to Jesus for help. We saw them become a more loving community, catching a vision to share it with their families and friends and even ones who do not yet know the great love of Immanuel. This was worth the wait.”

“As we ended, we blessed them, they blessed us and placed hand-rolled paper beaded jewelry on our wrists and over our heads. So lovely. So generous. We are rich.”

“Thank you for being part of making this happen with your support, prayers, contributions and love. I am overwhelmed once again with the abundance of my Jesus. We rest and go to the market tomorrow. Friday we begin training 25+ expatriates and English speaking nationals. It will be its own powerful Immanuel experience. Thank you for your continued prayers of health, protection and following Jesus' lead.”