

India

Last year at the LMA conference in Bangkok, a brother reminded us that today is the age of the Body, and our work is for the Body of Christ to be fully built up. Here in India we have had saints from all over the world come to coordinate with us in either short-term or long-term gospel moves. We can testify that “the age of the missionaries”, in which everyone labors alone, has passed. What we have seen is the sweet coordination among the members of the Body through all the members functioning.

At the beginning of this January, four brothers came from the U.S. to host 8 Scholars' Gospel Forums in five of the top universities in Delhi and Chennai. The students responded very positively and almost every forum was full house. This was indeed a breakthrough with previously hard-to-contact students, bringing in a new situation for the campus work here. The brothers promised to visit us again next year around this time for the gaining of more quality young people through such an avenue.

We also preached the gospel at the University of Delhi and the city of Ghaziabad from January 17 to February 6. College students and working saints from Taiwan and Malaysia consecrated their Chinese New Year holidays to come and coordinated with us. Over 40 new ones got saved during this time, and among them was one complete family. Seeing the Lord turn again the captivity of Zion, we were like those who dream and were full of praises and rejoicing (Psa. 126:1).

Some people have the impression of India being poor and backward. To us, India is “the good land, the wilderness, and the battlefield”. Since we came to India, many unforeseen things have happened, providing many opportunities for us to exercise living in the spirit to enjoy the blessing of the all-inclusive Spirit. Even though life is not as easy as when we were in our home country, we have

been brought into a deeper appreciation of the Lord's work here and a more intimate relationship with the Lord. We have also learned to fight the spiritual battle for the gaining of men for the Lord.

The Lord charged us to be His witnesses unto the uttermost part of the earth. This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole inhabited earth, and then the end will come. India sits right next to the Middle East, an extremely restricted area as far as the gospel is concerned. We have a deep sense that our work in India will pave the way for the Lord to bring the gospel into the Middle East, and this will hasten the Lord's return. As we are awaiting His return, we also cooperate with Him. Before year 2020, we hope to establish 500 golden, shining lampstands in India! May we all live under the vision of God's eternal economy and be dreamers of the heavenly dream!



◆ Blending with the saints from Taiwan

Pakistan

Since the establishment of the churches in Lahore and Islamabad, the number of saints in these two localities has grown to close to 100. In March the third local church in Pakistan was raised up in Kasur, a city adjacent to Lahore, and 54 saints came for that first bread-breaking meeting. The new believers are very open to the Lord and are eager for more shepherding and perfecting. The divine life is indeed growing in all of them.

For safety reasons, we can only knock on doors and preach the gospel within the Christian colonies. When we come upon open

ones, we would lead them to call on the Lord, pray-read the Lord's word, and get into the truth by having morning revival, home meetings, and group meetings with them. The pure word full of the life supply gradually causes people to open their hearts to us. The newly saved ones will then bring us to contact their relatives and friends. This is how the church in Islamabad was raised up.

Besides preaching the gospel, we also hold young adults' perfecting trainings, serving ones' trainings and national blending conferences in order to strengthen the churches and to gain more

seekers. In the young adults' perfecting trainings we lead the students and young working saints to practice the corporate God-man living, to have morning revival, pursue the truth, participate in services, pray, and go out for door knockings together. We also help them to know God's economy and the Lord's recovery and to consecrate themselves to the Lord for these. In the serving ones' trainings our main burden is that the vision of the serving ones in the churches would continually be renewed and that they would learn to serve in the way of life. In one meeting many serving saints were brought to tears and consecrated themselves afresh to be dealt with by the Lord for the growth in life.

In the past two national blending conferences, the saints received the central vision of the Bible revealed in Genesis and Revelation as well as the commission to "build the ark". Among the attendants were quite a few recipients of the Rhema books, and they responded to such word very positively. One pastor from Lahore even invited the brothers to speak to his congregation every week.

Literature work

With the increase in the number of churches and saints, we are in desperate need to supply the saints spiritual food for their growth in life. We began posting ads on the internet last July for student or young working translators within the Christian colonies. We hope that through the translation of the ministry books, the Lord would have a way to speak to and gain these translators and usher them into the riches of this ministry.

So far we have found 7 translators, among whom 5 are young



◆ Young adults' meeting in Kasur

adults. One of them is a graduate student. He was once very active in a Christian group, but then was influenced by others and became an atheist. He came into contact with us through his participation in translation. At first he was very cold toward us. He would not pray and did not trust the brothers and sisters. But now he has morning revival every day and prophesies on Lord's Days. He has become a great help to us in our labor here. Hallelujah for the word of the Lord!

Prayer requests

1. Please pray that we would gain some key families or persons who would leave religion behind and be absolute for the truth to become our co-laborers in spreading the ministry.
2. Please pray that we would find more translators and that eventually we would have a team of translators.
3. Please pray for the perfecting of the young adults that they would be vessels useful to the Lord.

Testimonies of Saints

* I thank the Lord for His mercy that I could participate in His glorious work. In my experience of propagating overseas, I have learned that the only thing that could sustain me and save me from deviating is the vision. More than ever I am eager to get into the Lord's present speaking by following the 7 feasts, and in every message I pray that the Lord would grant me an inward revelation that would change my life.

I have also seen that if we are branches abiding in the Lord, spontaneously we would bear much fruit, for the Lord Himself is the source of blessing. I am learning to not be disappointed over men's outward appearance, but to just supply life steadfastly, because only the Lord with His word can cause the growth in men. May my eyes be fixed on the Lord alone that I would see the vision of the new creation and in faith see the church today as a miniature of the New Jerusalem.

* Where we are we cannot preach the gospel freely, so we focused our labor on perfecting the brothers and sisters to do what

we do. Within just a few months, the Lord gained a twenty-fold increase here.

On the other hand, I have encountered many difficulties in learning the language and adjusting to the way of life here in my two years of being in this country. But the speaking of the Lord with His resurrection power has supplied me continuously and caused me to be terminated. The revelation in the word became subjective to me. One time as I was reading a ministry book and praying silently over it in the subway, suddenly a word came to me and grasped me: "God became man to make man God in life and in nature, but not in the Godhead." The more I pondered on this word, the more I was filled with a sense of glory and could not but praise the Lord for His marvelous salvation. A lowly sinner such as I could actually become God in life and in nature! What can be more transcendent than this in the whole universe? My whole being was uplifted!