

## Saudi Arabia

In 2012, one brother was relocated for work from Riyadh City to Al-Jouf located in the northern region of Saudi Arabia and began fellowshipping with and visiting the brothers there. Two years ago, one of these brothers was moved by the Lord in his prayer to meet with the saints in Nasseria, Sakakah District, where he lived, and eventually to raise up a church in Al-Jouf. He began visiting gospel friends in his neighborhood and inviting fellow-countrymen to his place. By having meals with these contacts, he cherished them and shared the gospel with them. Before long, the first prayer meeting in Al-Jouf began in this brother's place. As Matthew 18:20 says, "For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst." The Lord was truly with the saints. Through much prayer they gained two new ones who were studying in Al-Jouf College of Dentistry. Saints in the nearby regions rejoiced upon hearing about the Lord's move in Al-Jouf and stood one with the saints there in prayer.

For a period of time, several saints also gathered together to read Basic Elements of the Christian Life, Vols. 1-3 and practiced calling on the Lord's name, praying, and shepherding new ones. Every Thursday a brother would drive the gospel friends to attend the group meeting held in a company building in Nasseria. Every

Friday morning the saints would have morning revival together and pray for the new believers and gospel friends. Later on, due to limitation in the group meeting place, the small group meeting was moved to another brother's place. This did not deter the saints. Rather, their hunger for the Lord continued to grow.

At the end of 2013, saints in Al-Jouf began fellowshipping with the saints in Riyadh, the capital city, regarding breaking bread in Al-Jouf. Then in February, 2014, some brothers from Daumat Al-Jandal came to fellowship with the new believers and encouraged them to get baptized. In the meantime, the brothers in Al-Jouf also fellowshipped with other churches in Saudi Arabia that all would pray for a church to be raised up there. In a time of blending with the saints in Riyadh in May, 8 gospel friends got saved and baptized. Then another friend got baptized in July in a blending meeting with the church in Al-Khobar. The Lord continued to add together those who were being saved. The saints were greatly encouraged and made a bold decision to begin breaking bread in Al-Jouf on November 28. A number of saints came from other localities to witness the glorious meeting on that day, praising the Lord for His move in Saudi Arabia.

## Visiting Churches in Bangladesh and Nepal

In the middle of last November, several brothers and I visited the churches in Bangladesh and Nepal. In Bangladesh, we preached the gospel, visited saints, and helped the saints shepherd the new ones in Dhaka, Dinajpur, and Binotnogor. Dinajpur in the northern region is one of the most backward areas of the country, and most of the residents believe in Hinduism. But the saints are very burdened to preach the gospel throughout the villages. We also joined the local serving ones' training and shared with 30 serving ones the 2014 Fall ITERO messages. Then



we went to the village of Mukudopar to visit the saints there.

We also visited Basjuri in Binotnogor, where the villagers welcomed us with dancing and singing. About 150 people rushed to listen to our gospel preaching and most of them were willing to pray to receive the Lord. Many also expressed their willingness to get baptized. While the brother was giving the gospel message, we noticed one young man standing behind the crowd taking notes fervently. So after the meeting we sought him out and had further fellowship with him. He told us he had never heard anything like this and was very impressed. He and the three young men with him all received the Lord joyfully and wanted to be baptized. They were all college students and continued to attend the meetings in that village to read the Bible and get into the truth. In another village Kallisor, 80 local people attended the gospel meeting and almost all of them called on the Lord and prayed. Even a doctor in a local clinic, who was originally a Muslim, prayed to receive the Lord.

On our trip to Bangladesh this time, we discovered a new way to contact the local college students. Since Bangladesh is a Muslim country, saints are rarely allowed on campus to preach the gospel. But the week that we were there was a break time for the colleges, and when the students returned home, they just

attended the gospel meetings naturally. The Lord has truly opened a new way for us. So we plan to go to the villages from now on during college breaks in order to gain the college students.

After our time in Bangladesh, we went to Nepal and attended a conference held in Kathmandu with 90 local saints. After the conference we went to Pokhara. Even though there are more than 150 new believers in Pokhara, there is still no regular meeting due to various factors. We fellowshiped with the serving ones there and had a deep sense that the Lord will surely have a new beginning here. That night the saints gathered together for the first serving ones' meeting ever. The brothers and sisters fellowshiped in a loving atmosphere, willingly confessed their sins to one another and consecrated themselves afresh to be a grain of wheat falling into the ground in Pokhara.

In this serving ones' meeting, the saints decided to have morning revival together 6 days out of the week and have one serving ones' meeting per week. They would also pursue the Gospel of John every Saturday morning, after which they would have meal together. They were also willing to set aside 3 evenings per week solely for visiting the 150 new believers in order to recover the ones who were no longer meeting. The saints

rejoiced with the prospect of a new beginning in Pokhara and no one wanted to leave even after 5 hours of fellowship.

Currently there are only two churches in Nepal—the church in Kathmandu and the church in Maudi. But the local people are actually very open to the gospel, and the need is just for more people to come and share the gospel with them or to support the propagation effort financially. The serving ones should also perfect the local saints to participate in the propagation. May the Lord bless His testimony here. (Brother Duan)



## Testimonies of Serving Ones in Pakistan

### In Islamabad

In July, 2013, we moved to the capital city of Islamabad from Lahore, and immediately we faced the problem of finding a rental house because the local people were not willing to rent out their houses to foreigners or Christians. But we did not lose heart. Rather, as we prayed desperately, we had the assurance that it was the Lord who sent us here, and He had surely given us this land. As Joshua 1:9 says, “Be strong and take courage; do not be afraid or dismayed. For Jehovah your God is with you wherever you go.” Half a month later, the Lord prepared a Christian agent, who found a suitable house for us, and our landlord was even willing to let us bring Christian friends home. We were greatly emboldened after this experience.

Many foreigners here didn't like to go out that much for fear of kidnappings or bombing incidents. Yet we went out every day for door-knocking and shepherding of saints. The Lord was with us and led us to a group of Christians who called on the Lord out of a pure heart. They were willing to open their homes for home meetings and group meetings, and their lives were filled with joy. The Lord also added new ones to us. Many people's lives were completely changed with the help of the ministry. Then in March, 2014, the Lord raised up a lampstand in Islamabad. This is the Lord's work. All we did was cooperate with Him. The Lord was training us that He alone was the source; apart from Him we could do nothing. He was our life and our everything.

There are many Christian colonies in Pakistan, where people have been Christians for generations. Even though people here

are quite religious, they are very open to the truth in the Lord's recovery and always welcome us to visit them and lead them to call on the Lord's name and pray-read the Lord's word. So far we have established regular meetings in some of the saints' homes. We also have morning revival with some sisters in their homes every day. As these sisters touch the Lord, they share their enjoyment with their relatives and friends, and more and more sisters are willing to join our morning revival time. Now there are 9 sisters who have morning revival with us in 2 groups. And with the support of the Body and the prayer of the saints, there are now 3 golden lampstands in Pakistan. We welcome the saints to come! (Brother and Sister Wu)

### In Lahore

In our propagation here, we have learned that prayer alone is our power and our way to go on. So we have continued steadfastly in our prayer. After we pray, we would go out to preach the gospel. In the beginning, we kept getting rejected, especially since we could barely speak the local language. Yet the Lord encouraged us: “For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it shall be opened.” (Matt. 7:8) As we continued on, the Lord led us to 2 open ones, who invited us to their home to speak the Mystery of Human Life with them. Through them we met another open home, with whom we read the Bible together every morning. Praise the Lord! Prayer is indeed our secret and our power. We serve the Lord by praying on our knees. May the Lord gain more open homes in Pakistan for His testimony here. (Brother Yang)