

Fellowship on Sri Lanka

The churches in Sri Lanka continued steadfastly in the teaching and the fellowship of the apostles from September to December, 2013. The following are some highlights:

1. Since the one-month propagation in Gampaha in July, some brothers have been faithfully going to a sister's place in Negombo every Friday to nourish and perfect the seeking Christians in that area. The brothers are planning to have another two-week propagation in Gampaha in March, 2014 and establish a golden lampstand there.

2. A two-day National Perfecting Training for the Serving Ones was held in the new meeting hall of Colombo from November 1 to 2. Besides the messages, special fellowships were given on gospel preaching and the practice of small groups in order to bring the saints into the burden of begetting, nourishing, teaching, and building up. After the training, a few local saints went with two brothers from Kaohsiung, Taiwan, to visit the saints in Kurunegala, Kandy, and Jaffna. We also spent one night in the port city Trincomalee in order to know more about the city for future gospel propagation.

When we were in Jaffna, we could sense that the enemy was trying to frustrate us by raising up environment after environment. But the Lord with His ascending power bound the authority of darkness and prevailed over the power of Hades, and we were able to have sweet fellowship in peace with the saints and the gospel friends. We also went to see University of Jaffna. The school administration allowed us to drive in without getting off the car, so we prayed in one accord in the car that the Lord would gain some age-turning young people on this campus and prepare suitable lodging places for the two young couples who would be

moving to Jaffna at the end of December for propagation.

3. There was an intensive propagation move in Kurunegala from November 5 to 23. Fourteen new ones were baptized and the saints resumed the Lord's Table Meeting in Kurunegala on November 17.

4. During the second half of November, 17 saints from East Malaysia visited and helped the saints here pay attention to and gradually build up children's service, young people's perfecting, and God-man family living.

5. From December 6 to 16, 21 saints who work in medical-related fields from Kaohsiung and Pingtung, Taiwan, with some elders and co-workers came to visit. The main purpose of this trip was to contact the local people and preach the gospel to bring them to salvation by way of free medical treatment. We



◆ Giving free medical treatment in the meeting hall of Colombo

established contact with 60 gospel friends as a result of such service.

These brothers and sisters also attended the National Blending Conference in Polonnaruwa from December 13 to 15. The brothers showed the local saints how to use the Recovery Version Bible and encouraged each one to purchase a New Testament Recovery Version in English and "God's Economy", the only book that has been translated into Sinhalese. The church in Kaohsiung even promised to subsidize the purchase of ministry books so that all could afford the books and could get into the truth.



◆ Resuming the Lord's Table Meeting in Kurunegala

6. Another brother from Taiwan also came to Colombo in December to teach the saints Greek and Hebrew, and 14 saints signed up for this, of whom 4 were local young people. This laid a good foundation for the future translation work. A "Literature Translation Center" will be set up in Colombo this year. May the Lord raise up more saints from the churches to coordinate with the Lord by participating in the translation work that through

translating the Bible and the ministry books into the local language, the churches would be shepherded, the seekers be enlightened, and the gospel preaching be more effective.

Please continue to pray for the completion of the translation and proofreading of the 7 Rhema books and the progress of the literature work in Sri Lanka.

Gulf Cooperation Council

Thank and praise the Lord for the marvelous International Blending Conference in Dubai on December 12-14, the general subject of which was "The Mending Ministry of John". Every message was filled with fresh dispensing of life from the ministry and rich in enjoyment. Brothers from India and the Philippines spoke the messages, and many local saints gave strengthening words to the messages and shared their enjoyment of this timely word. The burden of the conference was very definite, showing us that the saints individually and the church corporately need to allow the mending work of the Triune God to repair, restore, strengthen and even perfect us out of our "broken situations" for the fulfillment of His purpose and intention to make us buildable materials for His eternal dwelling place. Christ, our Chief Shepherd and High Priest, did visit us in these days to cherish us in His humanity and nourish us in His divinity for the "testimony

of Jesus" to shine brightly in every place. Praise Him!

Besides the International Blending Conference, a perfecting meeting was held in Doha, the capital city of Qatar, on December 18 and 20. The overseas saints who attended the blending conference in Dubai also came to share with the saints two messages on the mending ministry of John and three other messages from "How to Administrate the Church". Practical fellowship was also given on how to practice having an intimate time with the Lord. Such fellowship was timely and met the actual needs of the saints. The saints expect this kind of perfecting training to continue whenever there is the opportunity to gather for a conference around the national holidays.

Hallelujah for the intensified working of the consummated Spirit in the GCC countries!

A New Locality in Vietnam

At 9 pm, December 21, the saints from the churches in the Southwestern region (Cho Gao, Cao Lanh, Sa Dec, Can Tho, Soc Trang, Vinh Long, and Ca Mau) coordinated together and took a bus to the cape, the remotest part of the country, to attend the meeting declaring the raising up of the Lord's testimony in Phu Tan.

We arrived in Ca Mau city at 2am on December 22 and visited the church there. The meeting hall was still under construction. We took a rest until dawn. Then we visited a family nearby, had breakfast with much joy and continued on to Phu Tan at 7am. Phu Tan was a remote and secluded locality. To get there we had to pass through many narrow roads, bridges, channels and rivers. Eventually we arrived there and met up with the saints, who greeted us with joy, kindness, and simplicity of heart.

The meeting began at 9:30am and was filled with the Lord's presence. The atmosphere was fresh and living. All the saints exercised their spirit to enjoy the Lord's Table, and the saints in Phu Tan were encouraged and strengthened by the Lord's word in the meeting.

We were greatly encouraged by the situation in Phu Tan. Currently there are 24 saints there, and 14 of them have been baptized. About 8 to 10 saints meet regularly. Praise the Lord for His testimony at such a solitary place. We need to pray much more for the saints there that they will remain steadfast in the faith and go on in their experience of the Lord.



◆ The Lord's Table Meeting in Phu Tan