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TRAINING AND EQUIPPING THE NATIONS!

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <u>THEREFORE GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS...</u>"

Matthew 28:18-19

BUENAVENTURA, COLUMBIA



Praying for believers who surrendered to God's call on their life for full time ministry

It was the first day of the conference and I was the second speaker on the schedule to speak. There were <u>2500 pastors, leaders, church workers and youth in attendance</u>. I was there representing Joshua Nations to train them to plant Bible Training Centers. I began to review in my mind how I was going to give some introductory remarks which usually include a brief testimony of how I was called to ministry as a teenager but told the Lord no. It was twenty years later when I changed my mind and said yes to the Lord's call on my life for ministry.

In the Parable of the Two Sons in Matthew 21 the father asked the first son to go work in their vineyard but he too said he would not go, but later changed his mind and

went. I've always identified with this son because that was me; it just took me twenty years to change my mind. So as I was thinking about this, I began to get extremely emotional to the point of tears streaming down my face.

I knew something was up because I have shared this part of my testimony many times without such an emotional response. The Lord was telling me to call out others whom He had called to ministry, but had not yet surrendered their will to that calling. So I thought I could do that and just encourage whoever the Lord was dealing with to go and speak with their pastor about it. But the Holy Spirit would not let me get away with just doing that. He wanted me to give an invitation for people to come forward for a public response to surrender to full time ministry, and to do that first before I preached! Oh well, this was going to be different.

So I obeyed and was glad to see two young men coming forward to my right. What a relief to see that I didn't miss what God was telling me to do! And then others started and kept coming forward, so many that I thought they must have misunderstood the invitation. So I clarified this was a response to surrender to the Lord's call for full time ministry. And before it was over, there were over one hundred fifty people who came forward surrendering their lives to God's call for ministry! It was a precious ministry moment as we affirmed and released them to God's call on their life.

And at the end of the conference we gave resources to them all to begin Bible Training Centers!

RWANDA, BURUNDI AND THE CONGO, AFRICA

Our five member team with Joshua Nations trained and ministered to over 330 national pastors in Kigali, Rwanda; Bujumbura, Burundi; and Goma, Congo with 168 of them committing to start Bible Training Centers! We also preached in churches, ministered salvation, healing and deliverance to hundreds and provided enough rice and beans to feed an entire pygmy in Burundi of over 700 for a week. It's difficult to describe the poverty and need of these people, but yet in the middle of it is a love and adoration for our Lord Jesus Christ.



Passing out rice and beans in Pygmy village

"I would like to thank you for your blessing ministry. You have prayed for me last Monday, and now I feel so good. I was suffering in my left hand and left leg, but now every thing is ok. I thank God for your ministry. What I can tell you is that you are each one connected to the Holy Spirit. I have been edified by the teaching, the testimonies, the deep faith which characterizes the true children of God." Pastor Joseph, Rwanda



Pygmy church in Burundi

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit — fruit that will last" John 15:16

When we arrived in Goma, Congo you could feel the darkness. Much of the city had been devastated by the red hot lava rock from the eruption of Mount Nyiragongo in 2002. Most of the streets and roads were just dark, black hardened lava rock. And yet in the middle of it all we found a hunger for the word of God that I had never seen before. Several of the pastors who had attended our conference in Kigali, Rwanda last year had come back to Goma and began planting Bible Training Centers as we had trained them. Here are some of their comments when we met with them:

"This course is growing my church."

"This school is helping me teach others how to understand the word of God. Students and teachers are helping others to do the same."

"This is helping me to preach new truths to my congregation."

"I have been studying the Bible for 6 years in school, but this school has helped me far more than the prior years of study."

"Because of this I can explain the word of God to my church and they and the church are growing."

"Our prayer is that these Bible schools can go All

Thank You! You Make A Difference! through the Congo."

"We are training deacons, elders and evangelists and the church who God and the Holy Spirit are."

"The Joshua Nations team is a great motivation to our hearts. We have been praying for you to come and here you are. We are so blessed."

"You are here for such a time as this, in the Congo."

"The vision for these schools is for all of the Congo and Africa"

And these were just the pastors who we trained last year!



Congo Pastors with Bible School Materials

I left the conference early so I could go preach for one of the pastors there. After traveling on the lava rock road for awhile, our driver stopped his vehicle and refused to drive any further. So we walked the rest of the way and arrived just after 4:00 PM to the church.

I was shocked to hear the people had been waiting all day for the guest minister to come and preach to them! As I looked into their eyes, my heart was filled with compassion. I did not preach long for my heart's desire was to pray for them which we did for over an hour and a half. I can honestly say I believe everyone we prayed for was healed, delivered or touched with the manifest presence of the Holy Spirit.



Left to right: Team member Greg Johnson, our interpreter, Pastor and wife and me in front of their church in Goma



Praying for people in Goma, Congo

LIMA, PERU

As I arrived at Houston International Airport, I met the other team members for the first time for this trip as we made our connecting flight to Lima. We were headed to minister at a Global Advance multi-denominational pastor's conference. Little did I know at the time I would be ministering to most of the team members throughout the conference!

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In addition to ministering and training over two thousand pastors and leaders to begin Bible Training Centers, we held nightly crusade meetings, prayed for

the sick, ministered in a prison and conducted three There were over 450 salvation children's events. decisions for the week and many healings and deliverances. Once again, the Lord only knows the full impact our ministry there had in the kingdom of God



Bible School Curriculums Given to Pastors



Pastor's Conference in Peru



Children's ministry in Peru

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