

High Mill GCN After Action Report for Northeast India

October 6-16, 2003

Overview

The state of Manipur is one of four restricted states in Northeast India requiring a special permit for foreigners to enter. This was the first operation that was fully undertaken by the newly established High Mill Global Church Network (GCN). In addition, this was our second visit within the past seven months to Nehemiah Prayer Mountain. Although we do not normally return to a region so quickly, it was necessary in this case to accelerate plans to assist in the establishment of a future missions center on the frontier region near the Chinese border. God had also placed a strong burden for the city of Churachandpur, which lies at the base of the prayer mountain. Our focus was upon leaders, youth, and women to encourage and set them free for ministry. Daytime sessions climbed to over 1,000, while evening meetings reached 3,500 people. Multitudes more viewed the services as they were replayed on local television. It was apparent that we were in the midst of a tremendous opportunity to impact the city for the glory of Christ.

Highlights

OCT 8: We arrived in Imphal to find many soldiers due to civil unrest in the neighboring state of Nagaland. We learned that fifteen fighters from Nagaland had been arrested in Manipur and then released, which resulted in the imposed curfew and alarm. We were given a military escort to a motel where we safely spent the night. The curfew was lifted the next morning, which was perfect timing for us to continue God's mission.

OCT 9: The team arrived at Nehemiah Prayer Mountain at 2:00 P.M. and after a brief rest we went to the first service. Often opening nights are met with the strongest warfare. We stayed with the Conference theme, "Rooted in Christ" from Colossians 6:6-7 and you could feel the battle in the heavenlies over the crowd of around 600 people gathered in the public hall.

OCT 10: Over 800 women initially gathered for the one day seminar with Pastor Mary Kay and Nan. The women soaked up the word as anointed teachings on the robe of righteousness and the Holy Spirit went forth. They were strengthened and built up in their faith, assured of God's purpose and plan for their lives, freed from strongholds, and encouraged in their marriages. Several hundred women stood in response to the call to be filled with the Holy Spirit. The crowd actually requested that the women's seminar continue for another day. Although there was some confusion about who was going to preach the evening service, our request for Mary Kay to speak was graciously granted. She preached a message from Isaiah 2:2-3 entitled, "Come up to the mountain." The message included a

vision she had been given for Nehemiah Prayer Mountain. Rev. Chungthang Thiek led the ministry time utilizing the shofar to call believers to stand while unbelievers remain seated. As worship continued, 70 came forward with tears of repentance. Counselors worked with them overnight resulting in 60 receiving Christ.

OCT 11: The one day youth camp began with over 950 in attendance. Pastor Chuck preached the morning message on the conviction of true faith and taking a stand for Christ in order to be a world changer. Rev. Chungthang closed with worship and there was a strong surrender to the Lord amongst the young people. Lavern taught on Christian character in the afternoon session beginning with Judges 2:10-11. We could see that this was a great encouragement to those gathered to have a young person called and anointed by God teaching them. Over 1,500 gathered for the evening service and the vast majority were young people. Michael (Mick) preached on the Joshua Generation and characteristics of a Christian warrior from Joshua 6:6-7. The message specifically contrasted the religious army with the spiritual army. This appeared to be a real breakthrough service as it launched a radical rebellion against formal religion. As Rev. Chungthang continued the service, 20 came forward for salvation and were taken into counseling. All received Christ.

OCT 12: People again gathered inside and outside the public meeting hall for Sunday morning worship service. Nan shared her testimony while Mick preached on old and new wineskins from Luke 5:36. Many committed to becoming new wineskins and to seeking the new wine. Rev. Chungthang addressed 87 leaders in the afternoon while the team rested for the evening meeting. The final evening session of the Conference was the breakthrough service we were expecting. It was reported that 3,500 were in attendance. Mary Kay shared her testimony and Mick preached on the calling forth of the Lazarus generation from John 11:38-44. The team anointed every young person with oil and placed a symbolic prayer blanket over them at two stations. This prophetic action resulted in a powerful time of mass prayer sustained by the Lazarus generation.

OCT 13: This day was reserved for the Nehemiah Prayer Team (NPT). NPT leaders and members gathered in the Prayer Hall. Following a time of mass prayer and an overview of the dragnet strategy for world evangelism and the High Mill Global Church Network, the team presented how to mobilize, equip, empower, and release the next generation through the church of the living God. The Lord also revealed that Nehemiah Prayer Mountain was to be a center of strategic prayer (like the hub a wheel) that would connect the prayer forces of many nations. We planted seed for a computer and offset printer to accomplish this.

OCT 14: The team returned to Imphal in preparation for the long journey home. Important strategy sessions for the frontier mission in 2005 were discussed and clarified. This is always an important part of every strategic operation.

OCT 15-16: We departed Imphal with a military escort just as we had arrived. It would take the team almost 40 hours to return to our home base.

Lessons Learned

- Apostolic training teams must be prepared for the unexpected.
- Utilization of team members needs to be consistent with the specific objectives of the mission and the

uniqueness of each ones calling and giftedness.

- There are various levels of danger associated with every apostolic journey.
- Having key intercessors onsite is valuable to the effectiveness of an operation.
- Having the key indigenous leader complete the altar call and close the services avoids occasional confusion caused by language barriers and appears to be an effective pattern

Conclusion

Rev. Chungthang Thiek and the spiritual leaders of Churachandpur did a superb job of organizing the Conference. One of the most impressive details of the operation was the number of youth and women who were in attendance. It was an indication of what can happen when the church in a city comes together in unity. As Chungthang Thiek concluded, "The Holy Spirit binds us together for His glory, and for extension of His kingdom."