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A Place for Grace

"In the Heart of India to Reach the Heart of India"



Central India - With the Grace Bible College Memorial Chapel nearing completion, chairs were set up in anticipation of the first time our National Pastors' conference would be held in this very special new building.

As you approach the two acre campus of Grace Bible College, a cross rises above a 17' diameter dome, and beneath the dome is the new Memorial Chapel, the first building of our permanent GBC

campus. The chapel has the capacity to hold over 300 people.

We are so very grateful to the Lord for your prayers and financial gifts that have helped see this beautiful building become a reality. You may not physically be there to see the chapel, but you are part of the blessing for many years to come. Thank you so very much!

The GBC faculty, staff and student body as well as local pastors and residents are thrilled it is being built. Since the design is unique and has already drawn quite a bit of positive attention from many in the community, we pray it will be used to bring glory to the Lord for many years to come and draw many to Himself. (See page four to read about the GBC dorms and library)

PASTORS' CONFERENCE: Monday evening, October 27, 2014 was the opening session of our week long annual National Pastor's Conference. Our USA team brought preaching and teaching from the Word of God to the pastors and GBC students. Dr. John W. Cook, CEO, IMI, preached on, "The Fingerprints of God: Are They on Your ministry?" Dr. James Cook, retired missionary and pastor, taught on "The Authority of the Word of God." Dr. Dan Iles, Education Director, IMI shared about "Jesus, our Shepherd," and Dr. Dennis Snyder, Pastor from Michigan, spoke on the book of Lamentations. Sarah Rieger was the staff photographer.



In attendance was the GBC student body, faculty and staff and 100 pastors, some of whom traveled by bus several days to attend.



Left top, Dr. Dennis Snyder, left bottom, Dr. Dan Iles. Right, a pastor studying in one of the sessions.

Year End Giving

As we approach the end of this year, it is with a profound sense of gratefulness as God continues to open many new arenas for effective ministry and we have seen His hand of provision despite many challenges.

We have focused not only on the Grace Bible College chapel building project, but on the Iraqi Relief Fund, which the decision was made not to take any administrative fees from. Special projects are attractive, wonderful and challenging, however, if there are needs in other areas, such as the general fund, these needs go unmet.

We are asking the Lord for a \$50,000 amount for the year end giving goal. Part of this will be used to reimburse the general fund with the many outlays this year. It's thrilling to look back over this year at the many lives who have been touched by the Gospel message as a result of Indigenous Ministries reaching out to nationals through other nationals.

Please be sure to mark on your check "Year End Gift." Thank you so much.

Home Office News

Please note that our new mailing address is:

15455 Gleneagle Drive, Suite 130, Colorado Springs, CO 80921

We moved our office in May 2014...some of you haven't adjusted this in your database

Christmas Open House

Please join us for a special evening on December 11, 2014, 6-8 p.m.

15475 Gleneagle Drive (in the north building), Colorado Springs, Colorado 80921

Thank you to our volunteers!

We so appreciate the helpful efforts of Jacquie Atkins, Rick Worley, Dirk Latham, Jane Marks and Celine D'ercole at our Springs office recently. Thanks for being part of the IM team and lightening our load! If you would like to volunteer please email Penny at penny@IndigenousMinistries.org.

Israel Tour May 11 - 22, 2015



Join John and Dee Cook for a tour of Israel May 11-22, 2015. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the Holy Land. We are also offering a special three day optional tour into Jordan at the end of the time in Israel that will include Petra, Mount Nebo and Jesus' Baptism sight. For complete itinerary go to [www.http://indigenousministries.org/#/adventure-with-us/israel-tour](http://indigenousministries.org/#/adventure-with-us/israel-tour). Please contact our office and let us know if you are interested in going as soon as possible. \$300 reserves your place.

JORDAN - Our ministry in Jordan desperately needs a 12-15 passenger van. We are looking for a donation of a van less than seven years old (import laws). Even with shipping and tax added, it is much less than the cost of purchasing a used van in Jordan. Please email John at jcook@IndigenousMinistries.org or call the office at 719-302-3028. Just think...your van in ministry in Jordan!



Global Church Planting Initiative

Iraq - Recently, we helped start a church plant where there is a great need, as most Christians have left the area. The pastor has reported a very good response from a number of new Believers as well as some who have been looking for a Body of Believers to fellowship with. A number of Muslims, disillusioned with Islam, have asked for help and information about the Bible. **Please pray** for this new church plant.

Jordan - We reported earlier that in August the Lord provided \$5,000 which we directed to plant a new church in Jordan, specifically to meet needs of Syrian and Iraqi refugees. Just three weeks later, the Jordanian government issued 15,000 entry visa for Iraqis, with 5,000 moving into the village this new church plant is now in. Talk about timing.

The Lord has allowed us to provide salaries for two pastors as they minister to thousands of refugees. However, the funds will only last a few more months, and they have asked if we are able to continue to support and make this a permanent church. **We are asking for your partnership** with prayers and finances for this vital new church to continue.

Other areas open to church planting through Indigenous Ministries' Global Church Planting Initiative:
India * Egypt * Turkey * Myanmar * Iraq

Your gift of \$100 per month will go towards the salary of a national church planter

Iraqi Relief Update



In a coordinated effort with two other ministries near Erbil, Iraq, we are working to relocate thousands of Iraqi refugees who do not have shelter into tents. Dr. Cook has ordered heavy winter blankets and 100 large tents from India that will shelter approximately two to four families each. This will enable two entire camps to be set up for over 6,000 Yazidis. Please pray for the teams there. Pray against the opposition, pray that many would come to Christ as a result.



Meanwhile, the funds many continue to give so generously are being used to make up food bundles (pic, left and right), purchase heaters, clothing and blankets for refugees. These refugees (pic, top right) live in an unfinished mall. Please continue to help us with this ongoing crisis as we meet needs created by the ISIS threat. Be sure to mark your gift "Iraqi Relief." Thank you.



CLOTHING FOR IRAQI REFUGEES: Indigenous Ministries has been working with several churches, individuals and non-profit ministries in the US to help provide clothing for Iraqi refugees. With the coming of winter and many refugees still living in tents and makeshift rooms, there is a great need for warm clothing. We have been able to provide heaters and blankets for many, and now, we very excited to be able to provide clothing as well. A very special thank you to Santa Rosa Bible Church, Redwood Gospel Mission in Santa Rosa, California, and Chase Ward, for their special part in making this vital clothing drive happen.

With a ship date of November 21st, we will be sending in a 40 foot shipping container that will be ready for distribution upon arrival. **Please pray** that this project will be completed quickly and efficiently so the needs of these people will be met.



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Grace Bible Chapel

A very special dedication time was held for a discipleship manual at the National Pastors' Conference. This project has taken a few years to coordinate and translate so that it would be available to these pastors and workers. Nancy Ingole Thorat was especially instrumental in helping to make the translation happen, and we are so thankful for her hard work towards this end. Pastors were given copies to use in their churches. Please pray for the effective ongoing usage of these manuals.



GBC SHIPPING CONTAINER DORMS:

In response to the need to get our boys' dormitories and library built soon, we are going to have them constructed out of shipping containers. For much less cost than building a cement block building, they will be insulated, electrified and re-roofed. Each container is 8'x40' and can be arranged in a number of ways, including stacked (as in this example photo) and two joined together. The cost for completing each container is \$6000. We hope to get the containers on the property and ready for the guys in less than 3 months. We will be able to put the rental monies of \$1000 per month into more projects on the property for the campus. Please consider donating to this exciting project.

Response Card

___ Yes, I'd like to donate \$___ to the Iraqi Relief Fund
___ I'd like to donate \$___ to the year end giving
___ Put this gift to the GBC Dorms and Library \$___

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