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TFW Poverty Challenge and Million Village Challenge UPDATE

(PLEASE NOTE Hal Jones' NEW email address at bottom. Previous email address no longer exists.)



Adding commitments to the map of Myanmar



Final map of commitments for transformation

MYANMAR DELEGATES ADOPT EVERY PROVINCE FOR VILLAGE TRANSFORMATION!!!

The last few hours of the Million Village Challenge Consultation in Myanmar was electric as the 80+ delegates huddled in prayer. Then, after regional group collaboration discussions, the delegates came up and put their names on sticky notes, placing the notes on the provinces they were committing to build model villages of transformation. At the end of the sessions we stood in joy and tears as we sang Amazing Grace and saw how every single province from north to south and east to west had been adopted. Several leaders were in tears as they reflected how they were the spiritual grandchildren of Judson who came here almost 200 years ago and laid down his life and lost the lives of his family that Myanmar might come to know the love and good news of Jesus.

THE MYANMAR MILLION VILLAGE CHALLENGE CONSULTATION was convened by an amazing committee of leaders from YWAM, CBN, Cru, Health Worker's Fellowship, GHNI, and other grass roots leaders. The delegates that came were real grass roots workers including rural church planters, rural humanitarian workers, and others. They came from all over Myanmar. One rural pastor took 4 days to arrive, walking for 2 days from the mountains to catch the bus. One lady, nearly 80 years old, said how she was so blessed to be available to help with health screening in rural village seed projects!



Lady sharing how God led her to build model village

The delegates saw how, from a historical perspective, transformation of countries comes from movements, not just programs. And how these movements came from local models of real transformation that were self sustaining, self led and self propagating. These models would immediately impact the cluster of villages around them and eventually the whole region. Various delegates shared their experiences in rural village model development and the power of community based development amongst the poorest of the poor. One village built their own path thru the wilderness that was 17 miles long! Another one built their own bridge. One pastor shared how no one respected him in the majority Buddhist village. Then he started helping them to learn about community health. Then they built a library together for the children, etc. As a result, the village respected the pastor, placed him on village leadership committees, and now the village is wide open to the Good News of Jesus.

Brother Peter, chairman of YWAM and the Servant Facilitator Committee, has convened a wonderful group of resources partners in Training, Media, Discipleship Resources, and Micro Business. Please pray for each delegate and these servant leaders in the coming months as in each area they launch models of village transformation and training!!!

SEND YOUR FRIENDS OR COME TO MVC CONSULTATIONS SCHEDULED

EVENT: MVC Amman, Jordan
LOCATION: Amman, Jordan
DATE: 1-4 June 2016
CONTACT: Noor.Saad@ghni.org
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EVENT: MVC Horn of Africa
LOCATION: Nairobi, Kenya
DATE: 11-13 August 2016
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OTHER NEWS!!

~ JHARKHAND MVC

We have two TOT (Training of Trainers) lined up.

EVENT: TOT (Training of Trainers) Jharkhand

LOCATION: Jharkhand, India

DATES: 12-15 April 2016

CONTACT: Sushil.Marandi@ghni.org

EVENT: TOT (Training of Trainers) Jharkhand

LOCATION: Jharkhand, India

DATES: May 2016 (dates not yet confirmed)

CONTACT: Sushil.Marandi@ghni.org

We already have done a training with Deepak Lal in Delhi 11-14 March.

Mr. Sushil Kumar MARANDI

~ CENTRAL EUROPE MVC

Since last April's Gathering Wave, we have all been very busy doing short and long vision seminars and TOT (Training of Trainers).

February 21-26 we did two TOT (Training of Trainers) at once for 36 people! One in Hungarian and the other in English and Serbian. We had people from Slovakia, Romania, Hungary, Serbia, Croatia, and Montenegro present. Eight Roma were among those completing the training! Two weeks ago we did 2 Vision Seminars in Bulgaria (Sofia and Sliven) and this weekend we did one in Osijek, Croatia. Slovakia has done a Vision Seminar and is planning a TOT of their own soon. Montenegro is trying to work up a TOT for June in Podgorica (near Albania). The Tuzla team has also done several Vision Seminars and at least one TOT. The Serbia teams have also done several Vision Seminars. We are now eager to see new village and community projects beginning. I know Albania has been busy also but I do not have details. The corn is really popping!

Mr. Ron SECK RonSeck@me.com

~ WEST AFRICA

Two MVC's held. Burkina Faso and Nigeria! Hundreds of village clusters adopted in 7 countries. See next month's report.

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~ FINALLY

Don't forget to sign up for this year's Poverty Challenge MVC Annual Summit held in New Delhi.

20-24 October, New Delhi

Please remember to designate: *Poverty Challenge* (in your registration)

PRAY FOR THE MVC TO BE IN EVERY COUNTRY OF THE 1040 WINDOW AND BEYOND in the next few years.

PREPARE YOUR COUNTRY FOR AN MVC. Prior to the consultation we will work with you to find or help develop a model village of transformation which is so key for a teaching point. Contact your local TFW Poverty Challenge Facilitator or email president@ghni.org

Thank you!

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