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VISION REALISED

Another time, another place, another tribe. Where the hope for today has been lost in generations past. They are spiritually dry, trapped in a powerless religion, never questioning why. Yet they sing of a place where pain and sorrow will end. In the hope for tomorrow they exist for today.

As I board the plane my heart has renewed expectations. I recall the prophetic vision spoken over me just days before: 'I can see you in a bubble of light. All the forces of darkness are trying to penetrate the bubble, but they cannot.' I remember from years past two similar prophetic visions. I know the light is Jesus and no forces of darkness can prevail. It is the next part of this recent vision that really excites me: 'As you walk, the light remains and becomes a trail of light behind you, growing and growing as you go.' That is multiplication, for such is the Kingdom of God!



After many hours of travel I arrive safely. Day 1: A day of rest. Time in your presence Father, as your presence is heaven to me. I hear you gently whisper, 'Close your eyes.' I close my eyes. 'What do you see?' I see fire coming from my hands, fire from my mouth, fire, fire, fire! 'Remember, I

send you in my power (fire from your hands), my truth (fire from your mouth) and my love (fire from my presence).' Father as you speak, let it be so. I surrender all to you.

Day 2: A dog barks. Rickshaw horns puncture the sounds of city life. A long queue for daily water rations extends around the corner, day labourers smash bricks in syncopated unison, flies hover over the market produce, once fresh flowers decay in front of a temple. The rising sun starts to bake everything. Death, neglect and distrust permeate the atmosphere.

The next day, travelling inland, the rolling hills, tropical plants and cleaner air soften the intensity. I exclaim, 'It is great to get out of the city!' Evening comes quickly to this region. As I settle into my new abode for the next couple of days, I drift off into a deep, deep sleep.





Day 4: It is 4:30am! I'm awake! Not feeling 100%, my head spins and my energy level is low. I need more sleep, yet sleep does not come. By 5:30am I hear *the Kingdom of God seminar delegates* praying earnestly, 'Father, just one touch from you, speak to us through your servant.' Another pleads, 'We want to receive your truth Father, to receive in filling of your Spirit!' The prayers subside, and as a choir of angels they gently sing, 'Lord we need you, oh Lord we need you...' Tears trickle onto my pillow. Father, you gently whisper, 'Remember I am igniting you, open heaven, fire, fire, fire!'

It's time for the first session. 'Fire from heaven in Jesus' name! Tongues of fire in Jesus' name! More of your love, more of you Father, more of your truth, more of your power!' Father, you declared it and it is so. As each one surrenders their will, God opens hearts and minds. Silence. Once again, like a choir of angels, the delegates gently sing, 'I Surrender All.' Peace. Stillness. Slowly, we open our eyes. For some it is their first experience of the living God.

One by one, even the most timid, boldly testifies.

Palembi declares, 'We are looking according to our eyes, but with God loving us and filling us we see through God's eyes.'

Evening of the first day is time for an individual prayer and impartation session. Expectations soar! It's a wonderful time of empowerment and healing, and refreshing for all. Now it is late. So much has happened. As I close my eyes, I say, 'Father... Thank you.'

Day 5: Another full day of teaching. We go deeper.

Macha excitedly says, 'Learnt Jesus loves so much and cleanses and washes us with His truth. He is saviour.'

Chaibi adds, 'Learn as man and woman become one, Christ and the church become one. We are His love.'

Yet another, 'Jesus nourishes and cherishes the church. God gave His life for us. We give our lives to others.'

'What you spoke touched my heart, the tree how God is pouring the water deep from inside, the coming fruits, is the Father's will.' Achuimei

'I first gave power to evil and again Jesus give me power to live my life. I surrender my selfish desire.' Vung

Day 6: Yet deeper still with more testimonies.

'Today really touched me. Thought all this time why is satan coming to ask to do evil things. Now when you draw all these things I'm seeing the big picture. I realise I'm the one who empowers satan to rule me. It is now very clear to me. Thank you so much.'

Salona says, 'I must take this truth to my people, my village, my leaders.'

It is our last night together. An impromptu drama...oh, we laugh so much! Singing, dancing and a wonderful time of relaxation and creative expression for all. It is late. Tomorrow we rise early for the final session, 'How to Interpret the End Times' ...in just two hours!



Day 7: With the morning session complete, it's time for our farewells. I look into each one's eyes. Tears well up during presentations and giving thanks. 'I never say goodbye, so until we meet again, in this life or the next.' As we drive off I reflect. Out of their own experience, hearts are ignited and leaders rise up with our Father's heart's desire to share all they have learnt with others. Yes Father, your truth remains and by the power of your Spirit the teaching is multiplied.

Another time, another plane, another place. I'm greeted by the conference coordinator, Zing, who gleefully says, '120 different churches will be represented. People will be coming from great distances. You have been given all the sessions to teach us. We are very expectant.'

Yet there is trouble as the government has placed a travel ban throughout the whole state. We pray it will be lifted so people can come. It is now evening.

Father, I surrender all to you.

Day 8: Dawn. Early morning breakfast in the canteen. God is indeed in every step. A man, passing through from another state, has been praying for discipleship material in heart languages, written specifically for his people. I have been praying for more indigenous leaders to take ownership and multiply the discipleship program written specifically for his people. A canteen staff error means I'm served two breakfasts, so I offer him my extra fish curry. We talk and discover we have the same vision, same heart, same mind...we are God's answer to each other's prayer. We plan for future discussions and partnership.

After a full day of teaching, walking back to my room I pass a man having difficulty unlocking his door. We engage in conversation. He has been praying for a children's teaching, written specifically for them in their heart language. My spirit is ignited. I share with him the Good News Storybooks Project, written specifically for children in their heart language. We talk excitedly until it is very late. We pray, 'Father, we commit into your hands.'

Day 9: Early morning start. Another full day teaching on the Kingdom of God. It's a time of revelation, empowerment and transformation. Thank you Father, thank you.

Day 10: Morning session and testimony upon testimony.

In the afternoon we travel to another town, another heart, another moment, for such is the life of the wandering prophet.

The local pastor gives greetings, prays and hands over the schedule. The intensity escalates to what he refers to as 'hard labour'. Concerned, he says, 'You will be preaching and teaching morning and night...a lot of talking. Will you be able to sustain it?' I smile and reply, 'God has given me a voice that is both loud and in regular use. In fact, my husband, who loves me very much once said, "I love my wife dearly, but sometimes I wish she had a volume control."' We all laugh and agree to the schedule.

The Spirit of God is hovering. Today is Mother's Day. Sitting on the podium looking out to the congregation, as is the custom in this region, two youth leaders rise, walk up to the microphone and start singing a tribute to their mothers. I listen to the words intently. *'I want you to know how much I love you. You gave me life and taught me how to live. And when I think of all the times we shared. And when I think how much you cared. I give you this song. Thank you for all the times you wiped away my tears. Thank you for all the times you calmed all my fears...I want you to know how much I'll miss you. But I know I'll see you once again. We'll walk the streets of gold up in heaven. We'll laugh and dance and worship him together for eternity...I thank you.'* It is 18 months since my mother passed on. My tears flow freely. I think of the life of my mother. More tears. I don't know if I can deliver today's sermon, the words have gone so deep. Father, I commit to you. It is time. I feel the tears well up again as I thank the youth team for such a beautiful gift. They chose it specifically for me after learning part of my story the day before.

It is evening. Tonight is our last moments together. A mother testifies how overwhelmed she was by this morning's sermon. We dance, we sing, we celebrate, we pray, we cry, we take photos and receive more gifts. It is time to deliver the last sermon for my new 'family'...

I reflect upon the three days we have journeyed together, going deep into our Father's love, truth and power with a unity and closeness that only the Spirit of God can provide. In a culture where no questions are asked, questions start flowing freely. Years of emptiness, powerlessness, misunderstandings, religious legalism and confusion are totally eradicated. Lives are transformed, empowered and set free in Jesus' name!

More photos, more gifts, more tears. It is time. Until we meet again...

Day 13: Travelling the long and winding road up the mountain, proceeding with caution as the heavy evening rains have made the journey precarious. In the back seat I close my eyes, turn my attention to another town, another heart, another moment, knowing that the light remains and will grow and multiply, for such is the Kingdom of God and the life of the wandering prophet.



THE DIVINE LIGHT

Lights of different colours create silhouettes. Shapes and shadows appear out of the smoke-filled air. It is Divali time, a celebration of lights. Explosions of sounds and sights ignite the senses.

In amongst this festival to the gods of this world, The Creator of Heaven and Earth and all things good is working. I close my eyes and worship Him. I see gold sparkling light of little star-like specks emanating from the palm of my left hand. 'Father, why the left hand?' 'Look again.' I look again. Now the gold is like an arch joining to the right hand. Both hands equal divine light. The divine light that pushes back the darkness, and Jesus is His name.

I ask again, 'Father, I understand the light, by why the left hand?' 'Up until now I have sent you mostly to the sheep and lambs, to set My people free with My Truth, Love and Power. This time I send you to the lost and the found to break every chain. The left hand represents the lost, the right hand represents the found. Equally for all to receive my truth, experience my love, my healing, my peace...to experience Me.'

'Father as you speak, let it be so, your will be done.'



THIS IS LIVING NOW!

Revival comes to all who are willing, as that is the heart of the Father. One fine day in our office we had an opportunity to listen to the teachings of VM. I thought it was going to be the same as many others, yet I was amazed throughout the teachings because they were so powerful and personal to my heart. I experienced the divine love of our heavenly Father. This took away my loneliness and gave me comfort.

The comfort and love that I have experienced from God started to change my life and my thoughts. I started to feel I am worthy to do anything for God. I decided to take the same teachings to people so they too can be impacted by the Father's love and feel His comfort. I returned to my people and invited VM to come and train us to take the teachings.

When VM came to our place we did The Kingdom of God Discipleship Program Training with her. This training was life changing and taught me the importance of being in continual surrender to God. It made me understand how we can be victorious in this life.

VM shared God's vision. Once-a-week house gatherings, journeying through the 16-session discipleship program. I read the inside of the workbook. It said, *'The Kingdom of God Discipleship Program provides the opportunity to come into a greater knowledge of the glory of the Lord and His great love, and be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God, empowering others to do likewise as they journey through life, so that the world may know Him.'*

This too is my heart. We started this program with 100 members from different places. All received the vision and took this forward. By God's grace we are able to reach almost 4,500 people, some who have now started their own group. One pastor, while doing the discipleship program, had a prophetic vision that many leaders for God's ministry will be trained and transformed through this program.

I am very much privileged and honoured by God to witness what God is doing in the lives of my people through this program. When I read the heartfelt testimonies I am deeply moved. I pray you too are deeply touched as you read some of the testimonies of what God is doing in and through the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program*. Not only life changing but life saving. Let me share with you Bilhah's testimony in her own words.

'Many people used to judge me saying I was a sinner and I would think I was not worthy to go to church. I had planned to give up my life. One day while in group discussion God spoke to me I am worthy because He loves me and told me that, "I have forgiven all your sins." Now I am living with that hope.'

Of course I am the living testimony to witness God move in my life through the discipleship program.

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I never thought this program would go into people's heart so deeply. We thought we already had the foundation, but we have realised that this program is the true foundation. Pastors from different organisations have received it more than my expectations. They have witnessed their mind set being changed, and for the first time experienced fruit in their life and ministry. 'Confidently now we can say that we are preaching a true seed,' said one pastor doing the program.

'My name is Hiran. Through this course I have learned it is very important to be witness for Christ. I am in ministry for long time. I was thinking I was doing a good job. When I started to do this program I found out that I am wrong and I changed everything I was doing. Now I could see true seed through my preaching and my ministry has grown.'

'I am daily encouraged by this course. This discipleship program has changed my way of thinking towards life and ministry. I have received clear vision from God through this program. My name is Sunneth.'

Not only those in ministry are being transformed but I have seen through the discipleship program lives of people set free and some really received Christ as their saviour for the first time.

'I have been doing the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program*, my name is Raine and this is my story. I was worshipping many gods but never seen success. My friend invited me to this program but I really had no interest, but I came and my heart totally changed.'

Let me tell you when I was listening to session 12 on relationships and how the Living Waters flow from the throne of God through Jesus to the branches and how to spiritually eat we surrender to God, He changes and brings success. I tried doing it. I could see things were changed. I received what I wanted. I am now totally surrendered to Jesus.'



Many people are now surrendering to God in their daily life and doing the Father's will, seeing change.

'My name is Shabashni. Through this course I have learned many things. The importance of growing in Spirit and how to depend on God in weakness. To come to know a disciple is one who is a learner changed my mind. I was thinking I know everything so could not listen to anyone but now I am changed. Learnt the Secret of Success is to surrender to God drinking divine water daily. This is helping me a lot in my life.'

Arnav: 'I have known Jesus but never had a personal experience from Him while going through the discipleship program. I started to surrender to God daily and having experiencing Him daily The Secret of Success is key for my relationship with God. My life and thoughts changed regarding Christ and my life.'

Ojas testifies, 'This course has given me opportunity to rethink my life and surrender to God again because I was really away from Him, even though I was a Christian. I now understand that God has forgiven me even before I received Him.'

The comfort and love I experience others also can experience and their life also changed. When I was reading the many testimonies. I cried.

Peter testifies, 'I received God's vision while I was reading chapter 4, "The Time is Now". I could see open heaven as John seen my life has changed and now I am a new creation in God.'

Taft adds, 'Receiving God's love changed my life, my love for others, also transformed me and my thoughts. His love has no bounds, it is free and it can flow in us.'

'I was struggling to understand who Christ is and His love due to my own attitude and thinking. I never experienced His fellowship in me. While meditating on session 6 "The Love of the Father" has changed me, gave me clear picture about God's love. Our Father loves me, even if no one loves, this is good news for me.' – Shabashni

I really thank God for VM, for coming all the way with all her efforts and vision and providing the free resources and quality teachings, bringing heaven on earth to us.



'I was not able to take people into my life and I was not able to love own family. But I was thinking that I am loving, but when I was reading session 5 "For God So Loves" I understand about real love of God and was experiencing it every day. Now I am able to love everyone.' John

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IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING...

From the first day we met, we knew VM was led by the Holy Spirit. Over the years many have been set free by the teachings and revelations given to her by God through her personal life journey. We would dream of the day that revival would come to our own village and surrounding region. For many years we have been waiting for this moment. Expectations are high. Excitement builds. Preparations completed. Itinerary confirmed. Today she arrives and the adventure begins.

It is the wet season, yet as we journey on motorbikes and foot to remote areas, the rains hold off. Along dirt tracks, through rivers, over hills and through valleys we go...everyone is waiting. Finally, we arrive. As we walk into the village the leader announces, 'We are ready to hear what God has to say to us through His servant He is sending to us.' VM turns to me and says, 'God has prepared these hearts ready to receive. Let God have His way in this place and we will see His glory.'

It is now time. As I translate VM's message I am so impacted. At birth my own community rejected me and many negative words were spoken over me. I got so encouraged by the story of Jabez in how God turned his shame into honour. The negative words spoken over Jabez in the meaning of his name 'to cause pain or sorrow' reminded me of the words spoken over me. Yet God said of Jabez that he was more honourable than his brothers because he cried out to the living God. I have done the same. Receiving this revelation, I now know there are no more lies, strongholds or deceptions from the evil one in my life because I know the truth. Hallelujah!

After the Word we join the congregation to freely worship. I witness how VM ministers in the power of the Holy Spirit and I ask God for this. As I am asking I feel VM's hand on me. She whispers, 'Look into His eyes of fire, receive His passion, His love, His power.' I see. I receive. I am thinking I have a healing gift and need to pray for the people, yet I have no confidence. VM asks if God told me that I have a gift of healing? I excitedly exclaim, 'Yes!' But was not certain and too shy to step out. 'Do you feel God is saying go and lay hands on people now?' Yes! 'Then go, let God be God. You minister to the men, I will minister to the women.' I feel for the first time such boldness and confidence with God working in and through me knowing His heart is to set others free.

I witness the revival of a dead church as the truth is spoken forth in His love and power. As we surrender the negative words and self will receive many gifts, healings and a wonderful intimate touch from God, going deep into hearts and minds. One man in the congregation declares,

'The presence of God so heavy I could not stand. In receiving this word from God I now have confidence in growing in the Lord.'

The evening rains come down. Thunder, lightning and very heavy rain. We are drenched through, yet laughing and praising God in the storm. To another village, another church, more hearts to be transformed. As His Word goes out, by His Spirit it goes deep into hearts and minds, bringing healing, empowerment and transformation.

'Today heartfelt message so powerful I received so much. No matter what the community says. Jesus sees, Jesus knows, Jesus heals. He is with me and honours me.' Makur

Today we begin the Kingdom of God Discipleship Leaders Training in my village. As I translate I see the change on people's faces, in their hearts and minds. One after another they testify.

'Never knew such power after today's session on identity and Ephesians 1:22-23. I am now so grateful to know I have the power of Jesus as I am His body, His feet.'

'Learnt powerful truth about our identity, we are same as Jesus, equal-equal as first born sons, male-female, adult-child, we inherit all things.'

Over the next few days there are many adventures and special times together. One morning in my own personal time I was reading about the watchman in Ezekiel. God told me I am a watchman. I was still unsure of God's voice, yet He confirmed this by the Holy Spirit through VM. She did not know this but said, 'You are a watchman. Be certain in what God has told you and anointed you to do.' That evening, so many people came to our meeting I could not enter in. I sat outside and prayed as the watchman for those inside. People surrendering to God, receiving His Spirit, many touched by Him.

So many things God has done. This time we had together has been life-changing, and training for me both spiritually and physically. I was revealed many truths by this program, like having confidence that I have my sins forgiven, God's love for me never changes, and through the story from Jabez, learning the secret of success in life and ministry, enjoying learning while translating. I have been blessed by God through the Holy Spirit from this program. I came to know that God's gift for us never changes. It's up to us to surrender to His will and receive from Him. I truly believe it's an ongoing process, not a once-in-a-lifetime thing. We need to always abide with the main vine to get the fruit that is Jesus Christ. His fruit is our fruit in Him. I am growing my spiritual life and enjoying more. It is only the beginning...

'I saw and felt light falling on me. Now my life totally changed and my will is for others to be transformed like I have today.' Bhadra



