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Crossing continents and cultures #ineverystep is a biannual magazine that tells the stories of those whose lives are being transformed.

While reading their heartfelt testimonies, experience how God in His great love relentlessly pursues the lost and found.

This is His story in our story, our story in His story, a true love story. God is indeed in every step.

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EDITORIAL

Walk with me through the books and love story of my heart. Through the ups and downs, the dry sands and lush green plains. Through the rugged terrains and oceans deep.

I will show you more wonders than you ever imagined. For there is much more that people need to see, much more of the truth they need to hear, for them to be truly free.

Walk with me, because you are the one to take the fullness of my truth to all the lands under the sun. Hear the birdsong, hear the nations cry. My people need to know more of me, otherwise they will die.

Walk with me as a child takes the hand of her daddy, gentle and kind. I will take you to infinity and beyond, through the days and the nights, the cycles and the seasons. Together I send you two by two. Together walk with me.



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ACROSS CONTINENTS AND CULTURES

A WAY IN THE WILDERNESS

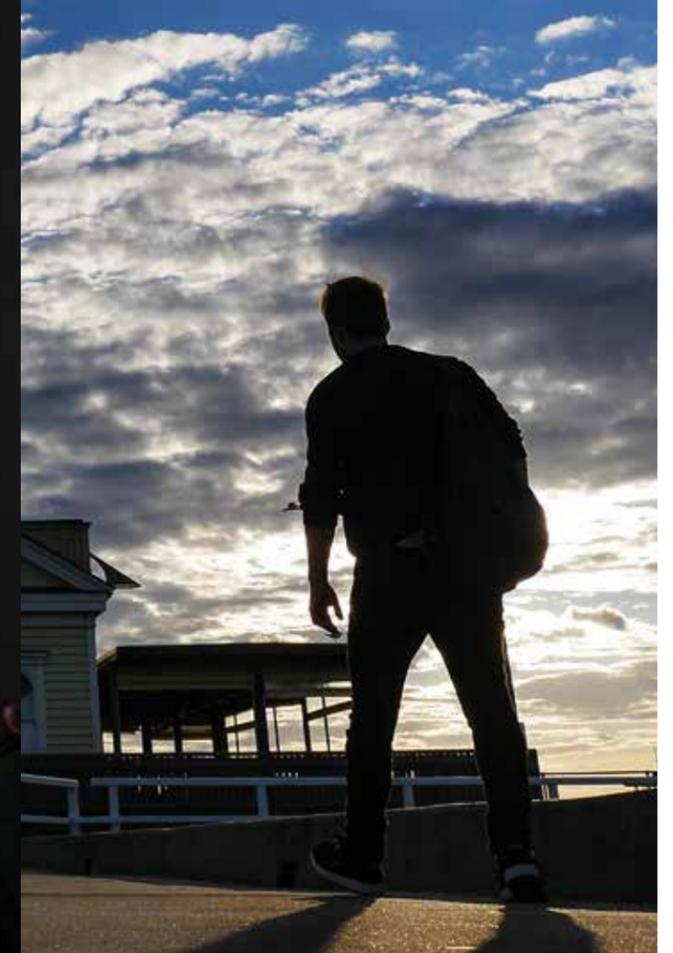
Each week a new Jesus loves : the world sermon comes. They are like a way in the wilderness and a voice leading me in the right path. Through reading these sermons, they helped me come out from the wilderness to God's promised place. For me the wilderness means I have not seen any good or anyone to help me. There was no clear direction where to walk. As soon as I started to read these sermons each week, God has shown me the right path. He has brought me to His promised place, which is into His loving arms, into His hugs. Now I am worshipping Him with great respect and honour.

THE VOICE OF GOD, SO INTIMATE AND PERSONAL

I always used to think that God only speaks through His anointed servants or a person in ministry. So I was expecting God would speak to me through anointed people. I met many but that hasn't happened. As soon as I started reading the Jesus loves : the world sermons many thoughts have been changed. I now hear God's voice through reading these sermons. It is like God talking to me directly. So I can encourage everyone to read them everyday to know God's plan for us. He wants to talk to us directly and does so through these sermons.

FUEL FOR OUR LIVES

Daily reading of these sermons are like a fuel to our lives. As we read it everyday we will be having good mileage. Our life will not be stuck when the situations of this world come or are difficult, or when the roads are not straight or when our energy of strength fails. By reading these sermons we can overcome all this.





ACROSS CONTINENTS AND CULTURES

A PEACE AND JOY THAT GOES DEEP

Everyday as I listen to the word of God through the Jesus Loves : the World sermons, I have peace in my heart and joy on my face. Whenever I am preaching these sermons I have great happiness and no guilt in my heart. Before when preaching words of myself, I always had guilt and confusion. The Jesus Loves : the World sermons give me great joy as I can now preach the truth in confidence. As people listen we are seeing a lot of change in their life. They now have new life. I too have received change as I am no longer telling people to change; because as I preach these sermons, we are receiving the change.

WARM HUGS FROM HEAVEN

When every door was closed, my near and dear people hated me. My parents also started to hate me for what I am. When society used to speak a lot about me to discourage me, it made me feel so sad. Many times I thought there is no one left to understand. There were times I felt that I needed to hug someone and try to tell them what I was going through. I found no one. But the day I started listening and reading the sermons daily, I felt God is there for me. I came to know His character is love and that He will understand. As I read the Jesus Loves : the World sermons I go into God the Father's arms. I would feel the warm hugs of God the Father. When I felt this warm hug, without my knowing I was crying. Everyday when I read the sermons I feel peace in my life. Everyone deserted me and hated me, but through the Jesus Loves : the World sermons God spoke to me and made me to understand, He is with me always.

A WORD OF COMFORT

As these sermons are from the Holy Spirit, reading them we are given more comfort than any good word from a person.

A NEW DAWN HAS COME

In our people group and community we have a lot of issues within the family in regards to finances, health and relationships. For the individual there is no day that we have had peace or enjoyed family time or fellowship. Every time together it is like we are roaring over the top of each other. We used to fear about our debts, feeling that if those who gave the money would come and shout at us, we would lose our reputation in the community. We had no sleep. Every night I used to cry. Looking at all these circumstances I could not find any solutions. I have done my best.

But in the face of all this, I could see my maid, who is also from our people group and is super happy. All the time she is with peace and no tension about her situations, her family, or poor background. She is with two daughters and her husband is a drunkard, who beats her every day and abuses her daughters. He beats her for not having sons. I know her story and in the past she used to cry and be worried a lot. But now she is not the same. I have observed this change a lot and asked her the reason for this change. It was then she started to explain about the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* and the *Secret of Success* journey. How, through this, God has brought a change and transformation in her life.

I too now have done the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* and I am having a sleep with peace as all these worldly tensions and responsibilities I have given into the hands of God. I am living in an assurance that God will make His way in my life. The *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* has given me a new life and new eyes to see everything differently.

Through it God has taught me not to fear anything, but to give all the good and bad of this life to Him. In His hands, He is leading me into good. As I give one moment to Him daily, I continue to receive His peace.

**A NEW DAWN
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'I do not know if my health issues will go, but with my remaining days I have in this life, I want to share this truth of the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* with others.'

Another who is part of our *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* group shares her story.

'My husband died of HIV and now I am left with this. I have HIV and my daughters also have HIV. Due to this I have no hope, or desire to live. Life had become so hard. We can't face our own people because of this shame. The community looks at us in a different way. So I wanted to commit suicide as I had no interest to live. I thought of taking poison to die and went to get the poison from the shop. On the way home one sister called to me. I went to her to find out why she was calling me. She started explaining about the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* and the *Secret of Success*. But I had no interest or patience to listen, as already I had chosen to end my life. My thoughts were only on my plan to suicide. Then one statement from her caught my interest. She was explaining about how to give it to God. Whatever it is give to God the good and the bad. She went into detail explaining this. When I did this, I felt completeness, so I did it everyday. I would give time to God and give Him the bad thoughts. All the suicide thoughts are now gone.

I have completed the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* and come to give God everything each day, both the good and the bad. I am completely changed. Even though I am living with HIV, I am happy as now I am living in the truth. Through the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* and the *Secret of Success* my thoughts were completely changed by God. By giving over our lives to God, I have received the truth. I have come to know through the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* that even if I die from HIV, I will be in God's kingdom. Knowing the truth is giving us victory over our current situations. Through the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* I am not fearing about them. For we are so very happy celebrating the truth that we are going to the Kingdom of God for all eternity.'

Together with 17 others from my people group who have been transformed by God through the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program*, we are wanting to take it to 18 different communities, so they too can know and experience the same. This God we have come to know and experience is real and so is the transformation He is doing.

Another describes it this way.

'As a new born baby it is very important to have mother's milk which is very sweet. The mother's milk gives a lot of strength and provides everything needed for growth. Doing the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* is like this. As in the same way the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* is giving us nutrition in our spiritual life as a family, and every part of my life personally. So as a baby has that milk every day, not doing anything but receiving freely, this same way I can come to God and receive. Through doing the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program* I am able to sow into my family. As I do this everyday, the tree will grow.'

Yet another testifies.

'I used to depend upon others for my needs and wants all my life, but I was never satisfied. There was no answer for my desires as they could never be fulfilled. Because of this I came to think I can't trust anyone. No one changed this throughout my life. But when I started doing the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Program*, I came to understand that there is a God that I can come to with my expectations. If I trust in Him, He will do His work. I now know I can trust in Him.'

A new dawn has come and the revelation is spreading through our people secretly all over the world. Bringing eternal hope and reconciliation, strength and nutrition.

TRUTH IN THE SANDS

We were sitting together on the white sands with the ocean stretched out before us. Three of us. One was a sister from the lands and one was my blood sister. We had been talking about loving each other and asking how we can do this. I stood up, found a stick and started to draw. First, drops of water coming from the sky down to the earth. Going down deep into the soil. Then a tree with roots, a main stem and many branches. I traced the path the water follows as it is taken up by the roots, through the main stem and up to the branches.

Second, I drew nutrients in the ground. These too are taken up by the roots, through the main stem and into the branches. With both water and nutrients, the tree produces much fruit. I shared that as it is in the natural so it is in the spiritual, as God created all things. The sister from the lands understood straightaway.

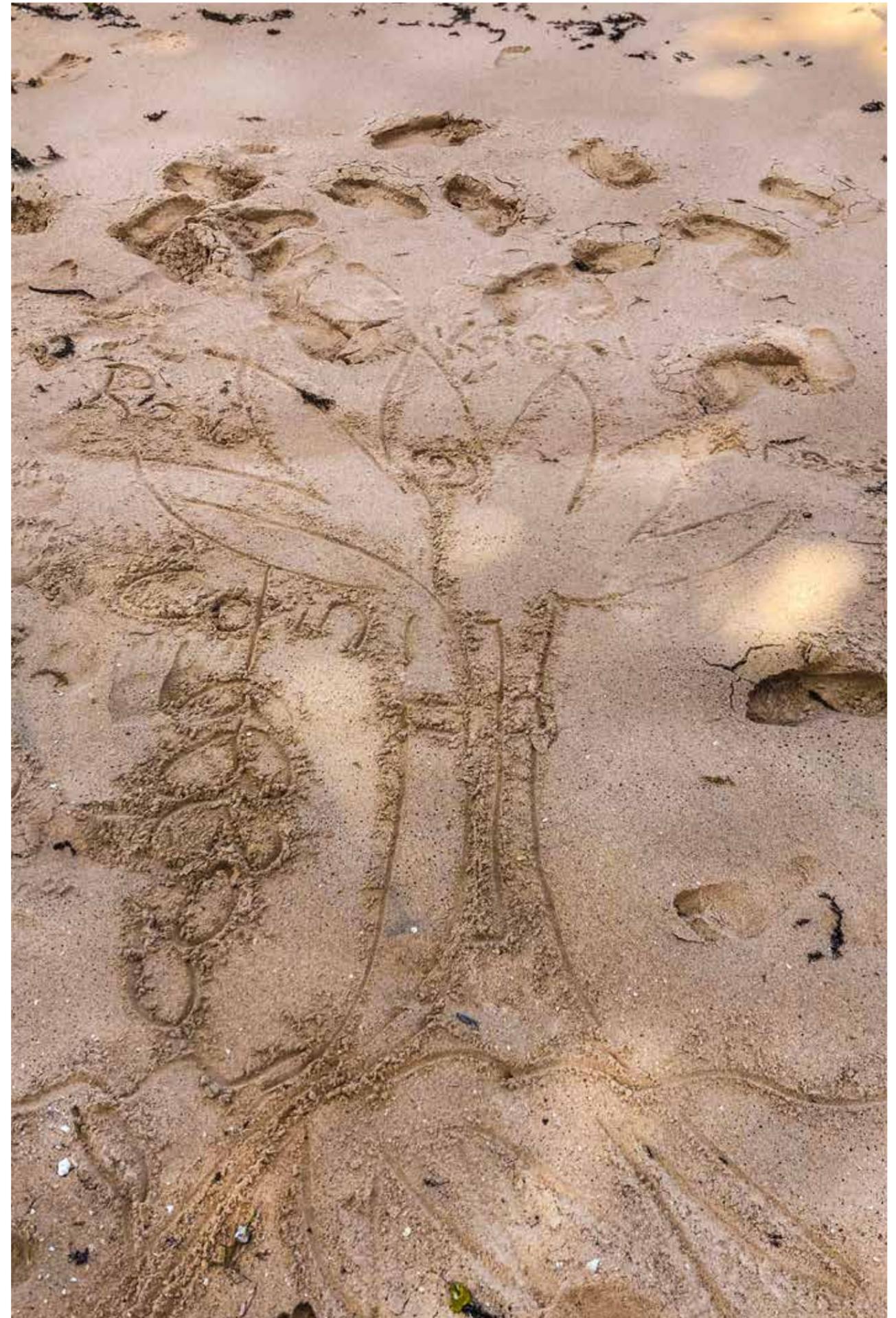
I continued.

Together we read John 15:1-5 where Jesus taught that when we receive Him, we become a branch connected to Him who is the true vine. I drew each of our names on the branches. Where the raindrops in the sky started, I drew the throne of God. We read how God the Father is the gardener. He is constantly pouring out His living waters to us on earth. And we can drink daily of them through Jesus, the main stem.

Just as the tree needs nutrients to produce fruit, we too need to spiritually eat.

Together we read John 4:34. This verse explains that when Jesus was in human form, His spiritual food was to do the will of the Father. Jesus said, 'Not my will, but Your will be done Father.' Our spiritual food is therefore to surrender our self-will to that of the Father's will. As we do this each day, surrendering to the Father and drinking His living waters, He will produce His fruit in us.

Together we read Galatians 5:22-23, how God's fruit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control. We had found our answer! We will love each other, God will produce His fruit and character in us as we daily take a moment to surrender and receive from Him. The sister from the lands was full of joy. She started having ideas of which local tree she could use to share this truth with her people, so that they too can understand the *Secret of Success*.







We began with surrender, giving our thoughts, perceptions and beliefs to God. As we journeyed through some questions on our worksheets, we became curious. One question was, 'why didn't Moses enter the land of promise?' We read the scripture and one of us had excellent understanding. He could see that in the eyes of the ancient Israelites, with Moses striking the rock, they would think he is the water god. This would block them from seeing the miracle of the water from the rock was from the eternal one, the one true God.

This made us think about many of the leaders in our community, how they elevate themselves and draw attention to themselves. They discipline others and tell everyone what to do. With force they make people listen to them and be submissive to them.

Human leaders think about themselves only and use their own power for self gain. They think they are the greatest and everyone is lesser than. Never listening to anyone. They take away free will and disempower us.

But now we have come to understand that a leader in God's kingdom is the total opposite to humanity's leadership and character. God is so humble. He is loving us with perfect, selfless love. His thoughts are always for others rather than Himself, as He is a caring servant. We came to know and experience that God never uses His power for self gain. He makes all of us equal and everyone is a leader in His kingdom. God gives free will and empowers us.

This is new teaching for us and new revelation. We have read these passages many times and never before have we received this revelation.

I knew we needed a change. Change in our marriage, in our family and in our life. When we were invited to do the Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience, we were excited.



A JOURNEY OF HOPE AND HEALING

We started the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience* by watching the videos. They were a great way to learn and provided clarity on each session topic.

But for me it was journeying through the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience* workbook together and getting the questions explained, that was so exciting.

We took a long time over each question, because we were getting more and more out of it each time. I could also see how helpful the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience* would be in helping others too as it was the fullness of the truth. Everything was always brought back to the word and then explained with clarity. There was no man's religion in there. It is the pure seed of the truth.

Throughout the whole 16 sessions of the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience*, every single section was a new area, so it didn't get boring. It was exciting to go to the next session. When it came to the relationships section, the whole way through this would be a constant process of healing. For us there was an increased hope in our relationship with each other and our relationship with God.

Doing the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience* was not about getting knowledge. We were being ministered to individually and collectively through it, without even knowing it. What was happening was we became lighter. We released everything to God, even the stuff we didn't even know we were carrying. So for us it was very much a counselling time.

We did a lot of listening and absorbing the first time we did the *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience*. Through it God brought healing and hope to our lives. We are now going through it again. The *Kingdom of God Discipleship Experience* is not about a once-off experience. It is to do again and again and go on the journey with others.

THE LIGHT THAT REMOVES DARKNESS

It's hot and humid. We drive to a remote area where they are waiting for us. Eight of the ten who have been chosen are there. They are committed to learn and be trained in the *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course*, so they can take it to their people. As we walk into the meeting, the heat and humidity hits us in the face. We are given a seat. The introductions begin.

'They have come from afar, understood the need of the people, and preach the fullness of the truth to us. They did not come to rich pastors or people, they came to us. God placed a spiritual burden in their hearts for us to hear from Him, know His will, and preach the fullness of the truth in the will of God.

I learnt from travelling with sister over these five years that we are all chosen and called by God to be with Him. So when we surrender each day of our life, we will bear much fruit. We must give our attention to them and this special time.'



FROM OUR **LIVES**

THE LIGHT THAT REMOVES DARKNESS

'Many years back I was an ice-cream seller and was living a life completely against God. But one day God called me for His ministry. I used to preach in my own way and lead people into my truths. In ignorance I changed the true meaning of scripture. But I thank God for the *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course*, which now makes me understand God's intended meaning of scripture. Now I am preaching the truth. The *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course* is new heaven teaching that has begun with the pure seed. It is a God-given resource for all people who have a call of God. The *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course* gives me confidence to preach the true word of God with His authority.'

My heart is touched for it is true. God has done all this and placed these things in our hearts and minds. He has given us understanding, which no one can deny. 'Father, my heart is full, thank you.'

Before we begin the first session, let us take a moment to give thanks and surrender our thoughts, hearts, emotions, expectations and this precious moment to God. A breath of fresh air sweeps through. We take a moment to surrender and receive. In the moment of true surrender there is always a beautiful, gentle spirit of God. 'Thank you Father, thank you.'



KS testifies, 'As I surrendered my thoughts of today's teaching and placed them in the hands of Jesus, I saw trees, mature trees grow up from His hands. I believe this is the teaching being reproduced by you here today. I also want to encourage everyone that four years ago when I first came to this country with VM, like you today I sat and did this course. I loved it and it was so clear how to understand God's word. I had been in church all my life but never understood the Bible like this before. So I encourage you to listen, write in your workbooks and we will learn so much. It is also important to share, as we all learn from each other.'

Now it is time. Everyone has been waiting a long time for this moment. Together we go through what effects meaning and narrative style of writing. Among the heat, humidity, and the daily grind of village life, there is a spiritual refreshing like no other.

One participant stands up and testifies.

'At the start of this I had a headache, but in the middle of the session I was healed of all pain and learnt many things. In learning God's way of talking includes universal to everyone and everything, to the ancient Israelites or personal to the individual opened our eyes. We were shocked to realise that we take for ourselves what we desire of God's promises to the ancient Israelites, but not all God says and promises to them. We now know this is not correct thinking or understanding of God's intended meaning.'

Through God's journey with Abraham, I was surprised to know that God does not need the sacrifice. But God knowing we needed the sacrifice, He provided the sacrifice. When God was speaking personally to Abraham, He mentioned how His blessing to Abraham was also a universal blessing. As all nations will be blessed through God's own sacrifice. In Jesus all this of God's promises was fulfilled.'

FROM OUR LIVES

THE LIGHT THAT REMOVES DARKNESS

'We need to know the truth and this is the time we have got it. This is new revelation for us. Thank you to the Jesus loves : the world team for bringing the *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course* as a light to remove the darkness from our lives.'

Another stands up.

'I learnt the unity in God – Father, Son and Spirit working and planning together in creation. Especially in humanity from creation to salvation.'

One after another shares their heart. It was such a sacred moment.

'This *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course* has empowered me to read the Bible through God's eyes of love and not through my human eyes and selfish desires.'

'I used to see people's condition and condemn them when I would preach, but now I will not preach that way as I need to reveal God's character to them.'

'These three days made me learn how I have been misleading God's people. Truly with His truth I have received Him in this seminar. My thoughts are completely changed now and I will not add my own meaning to scripture. Through attending the *Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course* I now have the confidence that I will not mislead the people. For now with truth and understanding I will preach.'

The joker of the group comes forward and shares in a beautiful and sensitive way.

'I have never heard this teaching from anyone, even in Bible college. But it is so easy to understand and do. By asking these questions and discovering the five things that affect meaning, it is like peeling a banana and giving it to a kid to eat.'



FROM OUR LIVES

A PRAYER MEETING LIKE NO OTHER

Every week at this evening time we gather for prayer. This night we are informed that a woman from a distant land will be there to share a message with us on prayer. I have just been teaching this whole month on prayer so I don't need to come. But my brother says you must come. So I come.

As the woman from a distant land speaks my eyes are opened. I will never forget for this was the night we learnt a new thing, a deeper thing. She asks, what is prayer? We all give our answers. She asks another question. If that is prayer, then why did Jesus, the eternal one who knows all things, pray?

Then the deeper truth is revealed.

'Prayer is sweet communion with our Father in heaven.'

We are then given a moment to surrender. The words are clear. 'If anyone wants to experience and know the Father more in prayer, ask Him. He answers that prayer every time. You will see this in the people you share this with. When you give them an opportunity to surrender, you will see much change.' Yes I will preach this and give each one a moment to have sweet communion with our Father.

