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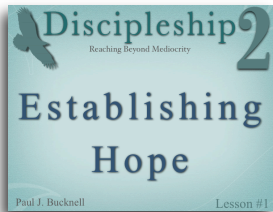
[Pray BFF #140](#)

Thursday, November 6, 2008

Dear Prayer Team,

“Do you have any suggestions?”

It has been an interesting two weeks. I started receiving a number of phone calls and emails largely from pastors who are interested in implementing discipleship in their churches. I was happy to talk and give them suggestions. Often I would pass on links connecting them to this and that web page on discipleship. Their web searches on discipleship matters often lead them to BFF.



They all started their conversation in the same way. “We know discipleship is important, but we really do not know how to implement it in our churches.” From east coast to west coast, even to Hawaii I talked to these individuals. The pastor from Hawaii was truly renewed in his heart.

These phone calls made me think that I need to write a web page on the basics of implementing discipleship in the local church. The more I thought of it, I realized what I am presently writing and teaching, a discipleship series for the second level, was just the thing I needed. This is the second (of three) level of discipleship training and hopefully serves as a very practical class that helps believers get beyond their own spiritual problems so that they can help others. Most Christians have not matured and seem more like couch potatoes rather than those bearing fruit.

Praise

- Praise the Lord for a substantial special gift that we could pass on to needy pastors in India.
- The [new intermediate discipleship class](#) has started! Paul is very excited about it.
- The progress made on the web browser problem. Several individuals spent time guiding me to amazing solutions. Since I do not have Internet Explorer, someone I was iChatting with started looking at my page on the platform that I could not check.
- The Lord's protection and provision in this ever changing world.
- We reached the highest readership this past month (more than 5,800+ pages read each day).
- The sermon on Deuteronomy 21 went well. Several were very much helped. Thanks for your prayers!

Pray

- Teaching on Sunday 11/9 and 11/16 on Discipleship Level 2: Reaching Beyond Mediocrity. Co-teaching with Pastor Ed after that.
- For the last 2+ weeks, our family has had at least 3 sick individuals. Right now it is Daniel, Isaac, Kathryn and Rebekah.
- Still need determination to edit and get the hours of recording of the Hindi and Bengali messages online.
- Planning for upcoming BFF December Board meeting.
- Nov. 7-8 our church Vision Retreat; childcare provisions.

In Christ's Majestic Love,

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