

August 19th, 2005 update

India 2005

India
Andhra Pradesh

PASTOR TRAINING SEMINARS

Advanced Disciple Training
Shaping the heart
Supplying skills and vision
Seeking Him in His Word



Pastor Stephen (left) and his father (who has done pioneer missions) on far right. The pastor training conferences complement God's mission/evangelism work in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Who is that second guy on left? (It is Paul of course).

Leave September 4th! Seminars are Sept 7th to 21st.

Making a Difference

Many of the pastors, church planters and evangelist have very small churches and live in 'faith' survival mode in agricultural areas. They have little theological training and no money for Christian training material.

ADT focuses on bringing Christian leadership training to Christian leaders in three areas of their lives: their hearts, skills and knowledge of God's Word. After each session Paul and others pray for the many pastors lined up requesting prayer. Thank the Lord that this year Keng Lim will accompany Paul to India.

The pastors were so excited receiving a gift copy of 'The Godly Man' in their own language last year. Pastor Stephen again is translating another BFF book for them into Telegu: 'Overcoming Anxiety, Find God's Peace.' This will be helpful to them especially after the effects of the tsunami. 69 million people speak Telegu.

Needing your prayers

- Keng's visa.
- Message preparation.
- No Northwest airlines strike.
- Provision for finances.
- Good health.
- Pastor Stephen's organization of the seminars and good health.

If you would like a summary of last year's STM financial statement, please let us know.

Thanks!

Your prayers and financial giving in 2004 made a great difference in the lives of more than 300 Indian full-time Christian leaders last year! By encouraging and better equipping these leaders, hundreds of churches involved in grass-root evangelism can grow. Will you join our team again this year? Pastor Stephen just said that by looking at registration 500-600 pastors will come for training this year.

Rev. Paul J. Bucknell



Projected costs

Our 2005 budget will plan on 4 three-day conferences. Last year's low-budget conference included 3 days including room and board for about US\$1,500 which is about \$10 per pastor. This year we will have 4 full-fledged seminars. As of August 18 we need and additional \$6,500 to hold these seminars.

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