

India/Central Asia Report



My focus in India was the training of national leaders through the Hindustan Bible Institute.

Here I am mentoring HBI interns who will start or lead training centers in others states throughout India.

Highlights

- *Our team of 10 touched over 1000 people in India. Over 600 were leaders who influence another 12,000 people in southern India.*
- *Our team stayed safe, healthy and unified throughout our trip.*
- *I had no jet lag upon returning to the United States after 30+ hours of travel.*

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Training at the Hindustan Bible Institute, Chennai, India

I assisted at a **medical camp**, sang with our team at a youth rally, led worship for Calvary Church Sunday evening and preached or taught multiple groups on 10 days of our trip to India:

Spoke to student body at Chapel Monday through Friday of first week.

Topic: Balancing Life's Demands.

Taught two groups of 24 Lay Cell Leaders

Topic: Mentoring and Training Leaders.

Equipped 6 Regional Center Interns for eight half-days of training

Topics: Mentoring for Leadership Development; Intentional Discipleship; Leadership in the Church; Small Group Leadership

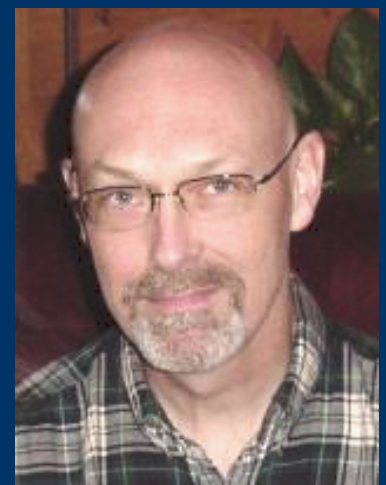
Worship Seminar for Churches in Chennai

Topics: Worship in the local church.

Instructed MDiv & ThM Seminary Students

Topics: Small Group ministry and the Importance of Discipleship.

One of Two Groups of Cell Leaders I Taught:



Thank you for your prayer support during the three weeks of overseas ministry to nationals and missionaries.

--David Durey
IntentionalDiscipleship.net



With the help of a translator, I was able to teach local church leaders on two evenings while visiting Central Asia.

After India, I Traveled to Central Asia



I traveled from Chennai, India back to Frankfurt, Germany with the team and saw them off to the USA before I flew to Central Asia via Moscow. I was up Thursday through Saturday working or traveling (30 hours) and caught what sleep I could during the flights. Yes, I did get weary upon arrival but pressed ahead with a full schedule since the time was so short there.

While in Central Asia I was hosted

by my sister **Phyllis** and her family who have lived there for almost 10 years. They have two teen-aged daughters but have also adopted two "high-energy" boys that kept all of us busy.

I was able to lead worship at an English speaking church with my sister singing with me and my niece playing guitar. What fun. I also was able to teach leadership and small group principles to nationals at the Russian speaking church they attend.



Suzanne Kolstad in Central Asia

After India, I traveled to visit **Suzanne Kolstad**, a missionary from our Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church congregation that has relocated to Central Asia.

Suzanne, like most Western missionaries, had been kicked out of Uzbekistan where she ran a ministry for disabled and neglected children. Since relocating to Bishkek she had her home burglarized three times. As a single woman with two adopted children her well-being was of great concern. While I was there she was moved into a safe home where I met with her and delivered gifts from their grandmother. I also met with her director for the Mercy Ministry there who greatly values her work with children.

