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### WHAT IS CHRISTMAS ALL ABOUT?



### Christmas is about:

- The Creator.
- Christ invading humanity in a cradle.
- The Savior in a stable.
- The Messiah of the world in a woman's womb.
- The Sovereign of history welcomed by shepherds.
- The Son of God coming from the Tribe of the Lion of Judah.
- Mary's little Lamb.
- The Lord of Glory lying on a bed of straw.

We see the Christmas story in Luke, chapter 2. Mary was blessed to be called of God for this assignment. But she was not divine. She was not omniscient. She was not privy to the plan of redemption until Gabriel announced she had found grace. Mary was not God, but a human vessel of grace.

Science has confirmed that not a single drop of blood is given from the mother to her developing embryo in her womb. It comes from the father. The mother provides the fetus of the unborn, developing infant with nutrient elements for building its little body while in her uterus. This includes proteins, fats, carbohydrates, salts, minerals and even anti-bodies that pass freely from the mother to child. The waste products of the child's metabolism are passed back to the mother's circulation. Yet, no actual interchange of a single drop of blood ever occurs.

In other words, Mary did not provide any blood to go into Jesus' body. It also didn't come from Joseph. <u>Jesus' blood came solely from God</u> <u>the Father—His Heavenly Father</u>.

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Dr. Dennis Lindsay

God had to find a way where Jesus would be perfectly human according to the flesh, and yet, not have the blood of sinful humanity. This was the problem that had to be solved by the virgin birth. Jesus had Adam's body, but not his blood.

"Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14)

"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God" (Luke 1:34, 35).

Luke, chapter 2, begins by telling us that the government had levied taxes on the people. So Mary and Joseph needed to go to Bethlehem to register in the city they were from. Mary was pregnant with the baby and was about to deliver at any moment. She had no comfort zone on this mission. The baby had been prophesied to be born in the humble town of Bethlehem. The King of the universe was born in an animal pen. God first announced the birth of His Son to the lowly class of shepherds—not to kings or the religious of that day. There was nothing ordinary or usual about this birth or the timing of it.



Other than Mary and Joseph, who at that time could have possibly known that the Messiah was coming to Earth? How did the Magi of Persia know? How did Daniel know when he had been in captivity in Babylon (Persia) for 70 years?

It was only known through the fact that Daniel had become the chief advisor to several kings, and his prophetic gifting became well known and studied among the educated, who were called Magi. Magi is the Persian word from which we get "magistrates." Apparently, they were influenced in Daniel's prophetic math and these Persians knew when they saw the star that Jesus had been born. Can you imagine that it was math that led educated people to the Savior of the world?

"Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him'" (Matthew 2:1-2).

So, what was the star? Could it have been a comet? Could it have been a meteor? Could it have been a super-nova? Could it have been a special alignment of planets? It was a mighty star that appeared each night for many, many months, in order to lead the Magi all the way from Persia in the Far East to where Mary and Joseph had since moved.

"When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh" (Matthew 2:9-11).

### WHAT AN AMAZING AND WONDERFUL STORY

This is what Christmas is really all about. The miracle of His life—being born under difficult circumstances. His crucifiction was equally just as difficult, ugly and gruesome. He was rejected again and again. He wrote no book; yet after 2,000 years, He is the One central figure of human history. History still proves His existence by the dates and timeframes we use, whether it's B.C. or A.D.

Likewise, when one is born again, it becomes the most significant date when Christ becomes our Savior. This is the real wonder of Christmas. The result is a continuation of the story of wonder in our own personal lives.

Remember, Jesus is the reason for the season. May faith, hope, joy, and love fill you this Christmas season. (Luke 2:11) Dr. Dennis and Ginger Lindsay



# 2022 MINISTRY

### THE HEALING PLACE

#### Andrew Brown

The Healing Place is a Christ-centered facility dedicated to ministering healing to those who have illnesses. The purpose of The Healing Place is to teach what the Bible says about health, healing and wholeness. We believe in the integrity of the Word of God because Luke 21:33 says, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away." Our foundation is the Word of God.

#### Psalm 107:20 says, "He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions."

Sickness and disease are destructions of the enemy; however, God has given us His Word, which says He will heal us. This is our inheritance! Learn how to receive your healing and how to minister to others who are sick.

In 2022, the Healing Place was as busy as ever, ministering to all who needed a touch from God. Here is just a few of the areas we ministered in:

- We taught a class at CFNI this semester on The Theology of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, three times per week with 28 students in the class.
- We assisted two local Hispanic churches each month to establish a Healing Center with many healing testimonies being recorded in the CFNI magazine. The healing testimonies include the miraculous healings of cancer, diabetes, liver damage, lung disease, a woman healed after being paralyzed, a brain aneurism and many more.
- We had an online class at the Healing Place twice per week that was live-streamed on Facebook with an average of over 100 people being reached each week.
- At the Voice of Healing and Prophetic Conference this past September, we did a workshop on how to start a Healing Center and taught on the Principles of Healing and Miracles.
- The Healing Place ministered to 47 individuals, one-on-one, over the past year. We are personally ministering to an average of 5 people per week. We also utilize Zoom for online one-on-one sessions and have ministered to people in other states and countries, including Canada and the Netherlands.
- We mentored CFNI students and met with them at different times during the semester.
- We also offered an online healing certification training that is available both to students and the general public.
- The Healing Place website and social media accounts (Facebook and Instagram) have had over 700 users with a constant growing audience.
- The Healing Place has received 480 prayer requests for healing and other needs over the past year that are constantly being prayed over for breakthrough.

#### Send us your prayer requests for healing and share with us how the Lord has healed you through this ministry.



Andrew Brown

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# HIGHLIGHTS .....

### THE RESTORATION CENTER • Cristiane Peixoto

The Restoration Center on the CFNI campus has continued to minister personal, inner healing and restoration to many who come here. We also offer prophetic intercession training, an intensive program for deliverance, and personal spiritual mapping. This is the third year of operation and the passion is still the same to bring restoration to individuals and families who have gone through psychological or emotional trauma through the power of prayer, personal coaching and the prophetic.

**Total Number of Ministry Sessions:** Since 2019: 2,551 **Total Number of Ministry Sessions:** Jan. – June 2022: 492 **Total Number of New Applicants:** Jan. – June 2022: 94 Total Number of Applicant Ministry Sessions as of June 16th: 93

### **Testimonies:**

**KH**—had gone through an incredible process of healing and deliverance. Her life was transformed in such a way, that now she has become a minister to whomever and wherever she goes. Her husband, her mother and her mother-in-law have all come to the Restoration Center, and her sister has signed up as well. The mother and mother-in-law have accepted Christ. After this transformation, her kids, mother and sister are all getting baptized.

**RR**—was a student who had a lot of fear from his dad's aggressive behavior towards him. One traumatic memory he had was when his dad broke his arm. After going through the ministry sessions, he sat down with his dad and forgave him. **AC**—started coming to the restoration center after she had committed adultery, which resulted in a pregnancy. She then left the man she had been with and returned home to her husband, since her husband had forgiven her. She wanted to abort the child, but after the sessions, she was able to work through forgiveness and restoration of her marriage. The husband chose to take full responsibility for this child, and the baby was born in July.

We also had four students who received healing in the soul. They were so encouraged that they invited their whole family to go through deliverance. Parents and siblings have attended the restoration center ministry sessions.

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Pastor Cristiane and Joel Peixoto

# Voice of Healing 8

"He sent His word and healed them and delivered them from their destruction." (Psalm 107:20, NKJV)

This year we gathered at the CFN Voice of Healing and Prophetic Conference with determination that it was time to drive out the devourer from our lives and possess what Jesus died for us to havevictory in our lives and good health. We will not give up! We know the enemy cannot stand against this one thing ... the Word of God that we confess. Even in our hard times, we will possess our victory.

Here is a recap from our anointed, speakers:



**Ginger Lindsay** 



Dr. Don and Mary Colbert's message was focused on the damages that can be done to the body due to overactive and stressful lifestyles. He stated the American Psychology Society has said there are five areas that are causing extremely high stress levels on the American people.

1) 81% have financial concerns—gas, food, supply chain, etc.

2) 87% have stress levels concerning inflation.

3) 80% stress over the Covid-19 pandemic.

4) 69% stress over the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the possibility of WWIII.

5) 65% stress over money and the current economy.

#### SO HOW DO YOU OVERCOME STRESS?

You have to manage your thoughts and the effects it can have on your heart. "Let not your heart be troubled" (John 14:1). Jesus said, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). "And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful." (Colossians 3:15, NLT). God gave us His Word for us to be able to live peaceful and healthy lives. So, it is important to slow down-learn to get into God's rhythm and rest so the body can heal. Dr. Colbert said, "Even Jesus didn't get in a hurry when Lazarus was dying, and because He didn't hurry, we saw His resurrection power. Make it a habit to live in a place of peace, follow the Holy Spirit, and give thanks in all things."



Steven Springer brought an anointed word on the "Supernatural Awakening." He went on to explain that in a day and age when the world appears to be in a bit of chaos and division, there is a fresh wind of awakening that is blowing in the realm of the Spirit—a wind of revival and reformation. He stated, "In this hour there is a reverberance of God's unfailing love, His shaking and a recalibrating of things to what Jesus spoke of to His friends and disciples in Acts 1:8, TPT, 'But I promise you this—the Holy Spirit will come upon you, and you will be seized with power. You will be my messengersto Jerusalem, throughout Judea, the distant provinceseven to the remotest places on earth!"He prophesied that there is a fresh reality of this promise coming in our day: a supernatural company of believers who believe the Word of Truth. It is our turn to walk and live in the supernatural dimensions of the Holy Spirit. His mission and purpose is to awaken a fresh desire for the supernatural, so that we

would be witnesses of the Good News and the Kingdom of Light in the midst of great darkness. He challenged us all to prepare for our hunger for the deep things of the Spirit and be satisfied by God's perfect Love!

# rophetic Conference

**Nathan Morris** shared a powerful word he received from the Lord. It was in November 2020, during the pandemic, that he had an encounter with the Holy Spirit in his office. It was in the early hours of the morning and during the U.S. election cycle. He was praying for the nation and suddenly heard something that shook him! The presence of the Lord filled his office and he heard a piercing sound. It was the sound of a siren, one that you would hear either on a battleship or a warning that would be heard across the airwaves of a city. It was sounding the alarm of global instability! He said this sound echoed throughout his being. In the midst of this, he heard the Holy Spirit say, "Sound The Alarm!"



It was repeated several times, "Sound The Alarm! Sound The Alarm!" He was overwhelmed by the sense that God was turning the page—like we were entering into yet another fulfillment of when Jesus Christ prophesied in Matthew 24 of "wars and rumors of wars" and the "beginning of sorrows." Although these signs of the times spoke of great unrest and moral decline, he said he did not feel a sense of fear. Instead it was the sense that God was releasing the sounds of "awakening." Nathan wanted to prepare us because the Holy Spirit is moving upon a generation and reaping a mighty harvest of souls!

**Dr. Edith Prakash's** message encouraged Christians to move into their promised land. If you can see the invisible by faith you can possess it. Often times our blessings are delayed because we are still waiting and praying for confirmation for what God has already given to us. You just have to move forward by faith and possess your promised land. It will require faith to take the first step, but when you do, God will go before you and make a way for you to possess your blessings. However, you must be aware—there is no smooth ride with God, but there will always be a safe destination. The journey may involve risks, hindrances, and giants on the way, but when you are in the will of God, the battle belongs to the Lord and

the victory is yours. Without faith it is impossible to please God. Untested faith is no faith at all. When God's will is done God's way, it will bring exponential increase. When God's will is done man's way, it will bring disaster. The greater you yield, the greater the breakthrough. As you pursue the promised land, it is vital to tune into the right frequency to receive divine direction from the Lord. It is good to know the strategies of the enemy; he plans to attack. Knowing the enemy and having a plan of action to defend your faith and destiny will determine how soon you possess your promised land. The Israelites, because of their unbelief and procrastination, spent 40 years in the wilderness instead of the short trip to get there. It was the second generation who obeyed God that possessed the promised land. Looking back at their stories will help us glean spiritual principles and strategies that we can use to possess our promised land. The instructions were simple—yet powerful—to cross the Jordan, bring down Jericho, and get the victory over the enemy.





**Dr. Paula Burt's** breakout sessions brought the presence of God. Often when Jesus ministered, the Bible tells us, "The power to heal was present." She encouraged her audience to use faith and believe that through the presence of the Holy Spirit, the gifts of the Holy Spirit (particularly the prophetic, words of knowledge, gifts of healing, and discernment of spirits) would be present and released, and the supernatural would be experienced. Many who are called to minister caught the vision and were released into a new level of anointing. She also ministered on negative emotions, anger, and how damaging it is, especially when it is disguised or not recognized, pushed down and denied. Others are angry and know it, but they cannot seem to get free. People have seen healing spring forth when God releases truths about the different ways anger works in their lives. The dynamics of this release affects relationships as well as individuals. Sometimes illnesses are healed without a prayer of healing. The physical

condition was a result of these powerful, negative emotions. Often it takes the anointing, through the prophetic, words of knowledge or discernment of spirits to release and bring healing. People came expecting and received God's touch on their lives. She also emphasized the overcoming power of praise and dance, using David as the example, encouraging everyone to get out of their seats and dance. It was a glorious time!



**Cindy Jacobs** brought a stirring word on generational iniquities, which is an open door to the enemy. When standing for your healing, it is important all doors are closed that Satan might use to attack us. One of these doors is generational iniquities, and is explained in Deuteronomy 5:9: "You shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me," (NKJV). She explained that a generational iniquity is a weakness or propensity to a certain kind of sin because of actions taken by our forebearers. These sins become open doors for Satan to use to bring infirmity. She said, "Now you might ask, 'But didn't Jesus bear both our sins and iniquities on the cross?" Of course, He did, but we need to appropriate the price that He paid for us. We are not responsible for the sin(s) of our forefathers eternally, but they can make things pretty miserable for us here on earth. Some in the medical profession call

these types of infirmities genetic dispositions. Also, while not in every case, even things like lust might also be present in one's bloodline. <u>The good news is, it is 100 percent possible, through the power of the cross, to</u> <u>break these iniquities</u>. The confirming Word she gave to be healed of this was from Hebrews 8:12, NASB, "For I will be merciful to their iniquities, And I will remember their sins no more."



**Sean Smith** got things moving on Tuesday evening at the TNE service, even though the VOHPC started Wednesday morning. Sean's focus has always been about helping others build their faith—to be expectant of the mighty works of God in their lives. <u>His prophetic anointing with the gifts of</u> <u>the Spirit, including the word of knowledge, is always well received and</u> <u>encourages others to believe God.</u> His wife, Christa, also ministered to the worship leaders and the students with powerful prophetic words. Lives were changed and believers were encouraged.

We look forward to what God will do again next year, so please set your calendars for September 20-23, 2023, and we will see you then.



### YFN YOUTH PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

This year we had over 1,100 youth leaders from different states and nations encounter Jesus. We saw healings, visions, reconciliations, deliverances, and so much more.

The majority of attendees were youth groups. We also had parents who registered their families. The reports we heard were, "We've seen such a transformation in our son/daughter since they came back from camp this summer. We wanted all of our family to experience what our children experienced." "YFN this summer has been the most supernatural and exceptional summer I have experienced in my seven years of doing this. We've experienced unprecedented miracles, spiritual hunger, and signs that made us wonder!" Micah Steeger

Just under 5,000 teens attended YFN over a 5-week period this summer.





• Connie McKenzie

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me" (Mark 9:37). What JOY it is to welcome children as they attended KFN Day Camp and Preteen Impact Overnight camp! The Lord is always faithful to come, too. While the campers loved all of the fun activities we offered, especially swimming, archery, and go-karts, they embraced the opportunities to encounter God. We conducted three different services each day to focus on the specific age levels. Our youngest campers, the Islanders, soaked in His presence and God revealed Himself to them. The Natives and Tribe campers experienced freedom in many areas of their lives, with many deciding to follow Jesus, filled with the Holy Spirit and their broken hearts were healed.





Preteen Impact camp was beyond description! The preteens came hungry to experience God in fresh ways, and He showed up at each service. One evening, when our speaker led us in shouting the name "JESUS," a church leader who struggled with same sex attraction was instantly set free, several campers said their extreme anxiety was gone, one of our intern's hormonal problem disappeared, and the testimonies keep coming.

PRETEEN IMPAC

CALLED INTO HIS WONDERFUL LIGHT

**CHOSEN PEOPLE...** 



We are grateful the leaders of CFNI realize the value and urgency of reaching children when they are young and hosting KFN each summer. We are convinced God blesses those who receive children in His name. Please make space in your life and your heart for the children around you. We would love to have them attend KFN next summer, where they will be received with much love and open arms!



Nearly 100 CFNI students served at camp, with many saying, "It was the best summer of my life. KFN is more than a camp, it's an encounter."

No one will ever forget the five-hour service on our last night of camp ... our lives will never be the same. God released callings, healings of body and heart, and such joy. The preteens, on their own accord, began taking off their shoes and holding them up to heaven, declaring they would always serve Jesus. They fully embraced the theme of "CALLED."



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### **STUDENT TESTIMONIES**

"We all have dreams that with time we forget about—that was CFNI for me. God opened the door for me to attend CFNI, and I gave up everything. The process with God this last year has been amazing. He has been transforming my life. <u>This is a place where God builds</u> <u>character and makes you more like Him</u>. I always dreamed about being a missionary, and I think God is giving me direction to fulfill that dream. I am getting to know God as my Father and Jesus as my best friend. God is giving me purpose and directing every decision I bring before Him." — Marai Fernanda, Bolivia

I never dreamed about leaving my professional career and being in full-time ministry, but certainly God did, and it has been the most exciting, spirit-filled, and joyful adventure of my life. Before coming to CFNI, I had a comfortable and "successful" life; however, He called me to CFNI, so I took a step of faith and obeyed His direction for my life.

I was trusting in my own resources and finances to accomplish my dream. I lost everything, and I had to learn to depend on God as my provider. Miraculously, He gave me a scholarship to live this life-changing experience as a student. CFNI has brought me near to Christ. <u>The school has given me</u> <u>purpose, healing, transformation, daily miracle provision, and a beautiful</u> <u>family in Christ. He placed a burden in my heart for the nations</u>.

CFNI means dying to myself in many ways every day, but I would not choose another way. This song says what my heart feels: "Jesus, with you, I'll forever walk. Teach me to follow your voice because your will is my delight. You are my refuge and peace; let's go around the world and hug the ones in need." Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus to bless our life in this journey. – Danila Urrea, Colombia



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# 2022 STUPENT OUTREACHES

CFNI students had the opportunity once again to minister in several different nations, including Israel, Haiti, Bulgaria, Hawaii, and Central America. Here are a few testimonies of their life-changing experiences.

### **BULGARIA OUTREACH**

This summer I went on the Bulgaria outreach led by Ms. Connie McKenzie. CFNI alumni missionaries in Bulgaria, Niki and Michelle Stefanov, led the outreach with such humility and honor to those around them. My life was personally, forever changed by this trip. I feel like a fire was ignited inside of me. We organized children's camps in several cities, had three youth conferences, ministered in churches, and visited homes. God was moving miraculously each day. Our hearts were being transformed by God's holy fire and passion for the nation of Bulgaria.

One day a smaller team prepared a children's camp. We waited for the kids to show up, and finally one child came. Instead of being disappointed, we still did our entire skit for



him, and afterwards we played with him. This little boy raised his hand to receive Jesus that day! Since this all took place outside, there were a few other people who also watched our skit and message. They seemed curious about the message of Jesus, and afterwards, a few men from our team spoke with them. One man was sincerely touched—the Holy Spirit was drawing him. He did not receive Jesus that day, but I truly believe the seed that was planted will bear fruit. We later spoke about this encounter as a team, and we really felt that this day was evidence of what happens when you stop for the one.

The last Saturday night, we did a youth service where the focus was missions. Our team held flags to show the places we were from and to where we felt called. God touched our hearts so deeply! That night ministry callings were sealed, forgiveness was given, and a fire began. I know what happened in my personal heart and God revealed to me things in the future. He called me to forgive at a deeper level. I cannot imagine the testimonies of the others in the audience as we worshipped God in that moment.

God is moving in Bulgaria! The door is wide open for missions. I went to Bulgaria last year and there were so many opportunities and open doors; this year there were even more! God is speaking to their hearts and calling missionaries from Bulgaria to other nations! God is doing something great among the nations! His heart is burning for people to know the Father. He is inviting us into this great call to bring people to the knowledge of Jesus. —Mikayla East



After nearly eight months of prayer and fasting, preparing sermons, skits, and collecting material, we finally landed in Bulgaria. Immediately upon landing, we were captivated by the beauty of the nation that often isn't in the forefront of our minds when we think of world missions. Though many people couldn't locate Bulgaria on a map, after praying so long for these people, I began to weep as soon as we landed on the airstrip in Sofia, Bulgaria's capital. God shared with me a piece of His heart for the nation. I felt such a zeal from the Holy

Spirit to tell the nation that they could know God and be reconciled to Him through Jesus.

The team had also gone the year before and sowed in tears, prayers, and relationship building. We were able to reap so many seeds that other people had sown. The first week in the city of Sandanski, the women on our team did a women's conference, and a woman who came decided not to abort her baby. She dedicated her unborn child to the Lord after our fearless leader, Ms. Connie McKenzie, gave a prophetic word.

Some team members did street ministry, and six teenagers gave their lives to Christ after we preached the gospel and shared our testimony on a basketball court.

In Bulgaria where most of the population is Muslim, you must build relationships. Nobody wants to feel like they are a project; the same is true for the beautiful people of Bulgaria. As a result of years of relationship building by the missionaries we partnered with, we were able to bring a drama based on the story by Max Lucado called "You Are Special" to the children. It is a beautiful story about finding your worth in your relationship with God. We were able to minister in places that you normally wouldn't find Christians being able to do, even at an outdoor event where a large portion of the village came.

During the trip the previous year a word came forth that Bulgaria would not only be a nation that receives missionaries but a nation that sends them. We were able to minister at a youth conference called Heart for Missions where over 300 young adults heard a message on the great commission. Many of the youths received a call to a specific nation, as we prayed and made space for the Holy Spirit to speak to His people.

In Bulgaria, I was forever changed. I saw many people give their lives to Jesus for the first time, I witnessed people being filled with the Holy Spirit, people in hotels asking for prayer, people giving their lives to God on a mountain overlooking the capital of Sofia, people delivered from demonic spirits, people healed and so much more. Bulgaria has marked my life forever, and I am so thankful to Christ For The Nations for facilitating this trip. —Nick Greenawalt

#### HAITI OUTREACH

As soon as I joined the Haiti team back in November of 2021, the Lord spoke to me in a time of prayer about what was to come. I was led by the Spirit to the chapters in Exodus, telling of the Israelites' oppression and deliverance from Egypt, as well as a passage from Revelation, chapter 15, about conquering the beast and about the Song of Moses. I was able to piece together that this coming "season" was my modern-day Egypt. The spiritual warfare I faced was more than I have ever experienced in my life, but God also showed up for me in the most powerful and beautiful ways. I was trusting in God that no matter what I went through, He would give me the opportunity to sing "the Song of Moses" as a testimony of His faithfulness.

God moved in many ways for the Hebrew people in Egypt. It was amazing to see the same God move for me and my team as well. When I was extremely sick and hooked up to an IV, I saw Christ through my team, my doctors, and our hosts. God moved the clouds for me so that I could see a starry night sky and constellations for the first time. We saw a little boy's wounded leg become an



answer to prayer when he was healed by the end of our trip. I was able to hold a sick, three-month old baby, and pray for his healing. God presented me with an opportunity to pray for a girl whose situation aligned with my own testimony. We were able to pray against strongholds and curses that had been set over the people in Haiti, and I believe that many were broken off as our team battled in prayer. We were able to dance and laugh with all of the kids we encountered, and we were able to feel the tangible joy of the Lord. We were able to teach these kids about spiritual warfare, and the importance on putting on the full armor of God. We were all deeply moved, and I can confidently say that all of us experienced God's love.

I look at the pictures and videos from our trip every day, wishing that I could go back and be there right now. I pray that the Lord



will bring me back one day, but for now, I am filled with thanksgiving toward the Lord for this life-changing experience. In my heart I know that the two weeks we spent in Haiti have made a huge Kingdom impact, and I am proud to have been able to serve with every member of my team. I will look back on the memories we now share together for the rest of my life and carry them with me forever. —Addie Cronan

### 2022 CFN ASSOCIATION OF BIBLE SCHOOLS

#### • Nickie Geldenhueys

CFN has approximately 92 Associated Bible Schools in different countries. This year I went to Poland and Romania to strengthen our relationship and encourage the schools in their work with the refugees from Ukraine. I also went to two schools in India—both are unique and connect Christ For The Nations with our schools around the world.

Now moving into their third decade, our trip was designed to provide an update on the longstanding relationships and the work being done through the Native Church Program, literature, alumni, the expanding work of the alumni from these schools, and personal relationships. Below are a few testimonies we can share, due to the persecution that is still very prevalent.

### POLAND

In an action-packed tour of four associated Bible Schools, the first stop was Poland. This country, with some 38 million people, has less than 1/3 of a percent of evangelical Christians. Many of these are foreigners who call Poland "home."

It is not surprising then that a charismatic Bible school has a very limited pool from which to draw students. Joshua Cagle, a CFNI Dallas graduate, is the director. He has stayed the course with the school through difficult times. Graduates from the school are pastors and key leaders of numerous churches across the country. Although it may be small in number, the presence of CFN Poland is felt throughout the nation.

A very unique aspect of CFN Poland is its ministry to teach the deaf community. Polish is a challenging language, and it's difficult too. Its sign language is unlike any other in Europe. Even with that, with yet a smaller pool to draw from, Joshua and his dedicated team have kept up this program. It serves a small community—people for whom Jesus died! Joshua is a linguist and well able to communicate with the "newcomers." Among them are those who speak English or Polish. Conversations often go through two interpreters, but the love in each conversation is universally understood.

Poland welcomed refugees from that war-torn country of Ukraine with open arms. The Lord impressed on Joshua to make the school's dormitories available to Ukrainians. Some of those are not saved—yet!



CFN Poland staff and Ukrainians

### INDIA

Called a footpath evangelist, the young pastor Lotha traversed difficult terrain as he evangelized a headhunting tribe. One who responded to the Gospel, Vitokhu Sema, found his way to CFNI, Dallas. Transformed by the Holy Spirit, he returned to start Christ For The Nations Bible College in Kohima, Nagaland. In almost 40 years of ministry the school has been directed by CFNI Dallas graduates: Vitokhu Sema, his widow Alila Vito, her brother Martemsu, and now Vitokhu's daughter and son-in-law Khetoshe and Lovily Vito Chishi. From their ministry, many churches were planted in Nagaland and other states. Pastored by CFNBC alumni, several of these churches were roofed by the Native Church Program.

In 2015, Lovily pioneered Royal School, taking the name from 1 Peter 2:9, "You are a royal priesthood..." for ages  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  year-olds. With a dedicated staff of nine and 61 students, the school provides a life-long scriptural foundation for these precious young ones.



CFNC Nagaland graduates

Pastor Lotha later became the principal of Eastern Bible College, a denominational school. He continued to supervise church roofing. After his death, his son, Dr. T. N. Lotha, Jr. became the principal, and continued to supervise the church roofing projects. We visited one such church and found it had expanded to three times its size after the Native Church Program roofed it in 2012.

CFNI Dallas graduate, Rev. Vangpong Phom, is the president of the Nagaland Revival Church Council where Dr. Lotha is the secretary. Pastor Phom has many areas of responsibilities and leads a large ministry: Two schools with 850 students, an orphanage with 40 children, and another school that is specifically for underprivileged children. He oversees a Bible translation program, which translates the Word into minority languages, and is currently working on seven projects. He is also the joint secretary of the Nagaland Christian Forum.

In Meghalaya there is another school—Doulos Bible Institute—with the same stellar record. It was started and directed by a CFNI Dallas graduate, Dr. R. Joseph Skinner. Dr. Skinner was the president of Assembly Church of Jesus Christ from 1989 until 2002. His nephew Shan, also a CFNI Dallas graduate, served as its general secretary from 2012 until 2020, when he became the president.



Shan Rynthatiang family

At the annual conference some 600 people attended from across the country with much zeal to press into their goal of being, "The Church Designed and Built to Live The Glorious Lifestyle." About 75 percent of the attendees were under 30 years of age, including members of the church from two states where persecution, torture and even martyrdom are a daily possibility. These precious people live for the expansion of the Kingdom of God, even under these circumstances! The movement has over 350 congregations, with many starting among unreached or partially-reached tribal groups in numerous states of India and neighboring Nepal and Bangladesh.

Chubamenla Imchen is Pastor Shan's wife, and she is also a CFNI graduate. She is the chaplain of the Church of Jesus Christ Academy, with some 2,000 students from grades 1 through 12. She provides spiritual leadership to all the staff and students.



Pastor Jack Sangma, Nickie Geldenhuys, Pastor Galebirth Marak, Pastor Shan Ryntathiang

Galebrith Marak from Tura in Meghalaya state also graduated from CFNI Dallas. The CFN Native Church Program roofed his church! He had started five churches and handed them over to the CFNI Associated Doulos Bible Institute graduates. While at CFNI, he met Chris Mikkelson, an American graduate, who has since become a renowned, crusade evangelist. Pastor Marak invited Chris to do a crusade in Tura, where numerous churches worked together. The current pastor of that church is Jack Sangma—a Doulos Bible Institute graduate—who translated numerous Gordon Lindsay books into the local language, Khasi. Sponsored by the Literature For The Nations Program, these books have been widely distributed and read in his state and beyond.

Almost everyone mentioned in this story graduated from CFNI by courtesy of a work-study scholarship. They all expressed their gratitude for the scholarships and life-transforming input received at Christ For The Nations Institute and the personal mentoring from various staff members while they were here.

### BUILDING OUR ALUMNI COMMUNITY TOGETHER

The legacy of our founders, Gordon and Freda Lindsay, is "Training World Changers to impact humanity with the gospel of Jesus Christ through Worship, the Word and World Missions." They knew that for anyone to become successful and strong in the world, they would need a foundation of prayer, the word of God, and worship.

Our resolve is to see those who have embarked on an educational journey with our school and have experienced God's transforming power in this place, be encouraged and challenged to preserve the mantle they were given during their time at Christ For The Nations.

This is why we are committed to building and strengthening our relationships with our alumni community, by creating tools and resources that offer opportunities for connection, encouragement, spiritual refreshment and support to all those within our network.

We know the future of our growth depends on the success of our past; therefore, we need alumni like you to help us continue our mission.

Whether you graduated 40, 10, or 2 years ago, we would like for you to visit and take a look at the alumni tools available at **cfni.org/alumni** 

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## IN LOVING MEMORY ...

DR. RANDY DELP JANUARY 11TH, 1950 - JUNE 7TH, 2022 **R** andy Delp was hired by "Mom" Lindsay in the early 80's. Since then, he has served CFN selflessly and sacrificially in different roles and capacities with a spirit of excellence, a heart of humility, and with a deep sense of loyalty. His most recent roles were the Director of International Ministries, member of the CFN Association of Bible Schools Advisory Council, and CFN's Board Parliamentarian.

Throughout his 30+ years of service to the organization, Randy worked as the business director, HR director, dean of students (three times), faculty member since 1983, and served as a member of the CFN President's Council. He helped establish the third-year School of Missions in 1993, and also established CFNI's third-year School of Pastoral Ministry in 1995. Randy travelled to many nations, representing CFN as an ambassador. He also updated CFN's HR Policy Manual in 2010, to ensure CFN was operating with the best business practices. In December 2021, Randy received the CFN Employee of the Year Award.

Randy also served as the founding director of the Caribbean Christ For The Nations in Jamaica in 1987 and as a director and advisor to Christ For The Nations Japan. He was the most recent chairman of Emmanuel Caribbean University in Jamaica and founding presbyter of Caribbean Christ For The Nations Fellowship of Ministers and Churches. He also served as a pastor for 12 years in West Virginia and helped pioneer churches in Minnesota and Florida. Randy was an exceptional human being whose core desire was to extend the Kingdom of God. His immense contribution will continue to impact the success of the ministry.

## **EVANGELIZING THE LOST**

### • Rev. Richard Whitcomb

I stood at the front of the Christ for the Nations auditorium with tears in my eyes and fire in my heart. I was 17 years old and had just arrived at CFNI with excitement and expectation. God was moving mightily on the campus, and the power and presence of the Holy Spirit were stirring in me as well.

The dynamic praise and worship that morning brought me into the presence of the Lord. The anointed delivery of God's Word penetrated my heart. I heard God speak to me clearly—and in response, I surrendered to Him. I would go where He sent me. I would do what He told me. My life belonged to Jesus.

Forty-eight years later, the memory of my encounter with Jesus that day still stirs my heart. My two years at CFNI shaped my life and ministry and set me on a path of missionary service, which continues today. After graduation, I launched into a life of full-time service for God, and I have never looked back!

It wasn't just times of spiritual encounter that shaped me. Practical, daily teaching from God's Word built my knowledge of the Truth and my faith. <u>It was at Christ For The Nations</u> <u>that I learned how to pray. It was there that I learned how to study the Bible for myself. It was</u> <u>there that the principles of successful ministry</u> were established in me. It was there that I saw <u>firsthand the Godly example of great leaders</u>.

The Lindsay family's standard of faith, perseverance, holy living, and personal sacrifice made an indelible mark on me. Christ For The Nations itself was a living example of what God would do with a life of faith and obedience. I saw the same Godly character and lifestyle of devotion in the staff and teachers. The passion and vision of students from around the world who shared a common love for Jesus challenged and inspired me.

At CFNI, I gained the first practical ministry experience that set me on my path to a life of ministry. The first student outreach team I joined was door-to-door evangelism.









We went out into the neighborhoods surrounding our campus, knocked on doors, and shared the Gospel.

After graduation, I spent six years in the U.S. as a young evangelist, putting my early experience at CFNI into practice full-time. Then, in 1984 when I was planting my first church in Nigeria, my wife and I went into our community door-to-door, winning souls just as I had learned at school. God gave me both vision and hands-on experience in ministry at CFNI.

It hasn't always been easy. I've had to overcome challenges and pray through storms. But the godly example I saw at CFNI and the faith that was built there, helped me persevere and cling to God. <u>Today, I am privileged to oversee an international</u> <u>network of churches and pastors. We evangelize the</u> <u>lost, empower the church, and embrace the poor for</u> <u>Jesus</u>. I count it a blessing to have the privilege of traveling around the world for Christ and impart to thousands of others in ministry the same spirit, truth, and discipline that I received at CFNI. The seeds sown into my life have produced a harvest for the Kingdom of God! I am so grateful to the Lord and Christ for the Nations for the foundation laid in my life, the blessings I received, and the opportunity to pass them on to others.





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Rick Whitcomb is the Founder and International Director of the Agape Gospel Mission, a world-wide ministry evangelizing the lost, empowering the church, and embracing the poor. He is the senior pastor of Agape House New Testament Church in East Legon, Ghana. He also leads the Agape Bible College and Seminary, and the Agape Children's Home. He and his wife Donna have lived in West Africa since 1983. They currently reside in Ghana.



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