...when my family helped other families

...what if the church could be a family...that helped other families?

...what if every church's purpose was to be a family that helped their neighbor...city



Purpose of Today's Teaching

...to see an update on our three spheres of work, deeper our understanding

...then continue to invest our lives

Today's Outline

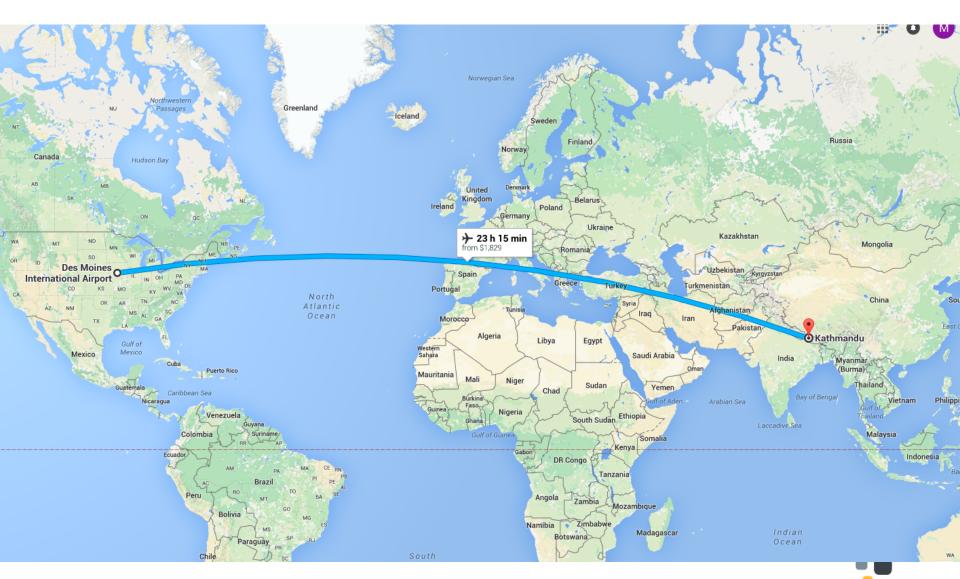
International - National - Local



Wherever we go in the world, our work is to lead people to organize their lives and churches around these principles:

- The church is the centerpiece of God's plan
- Kerygma/Didache will move through the world through healthy churches
- Churches are to be organized as a family
- God's wisdom in all its rich variety will to be made known to the earthly rulers and authorities in the heavenly places... through the church!



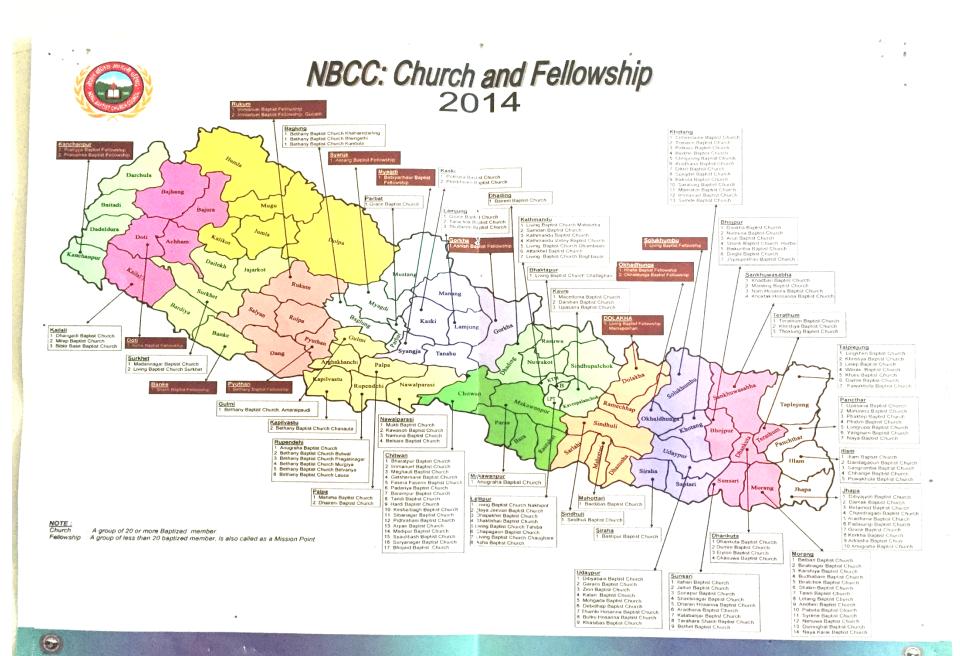


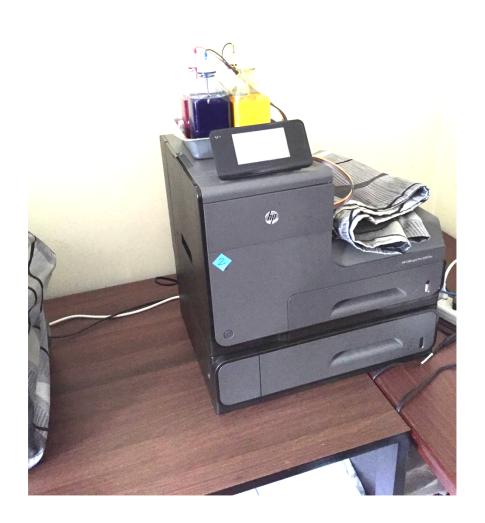


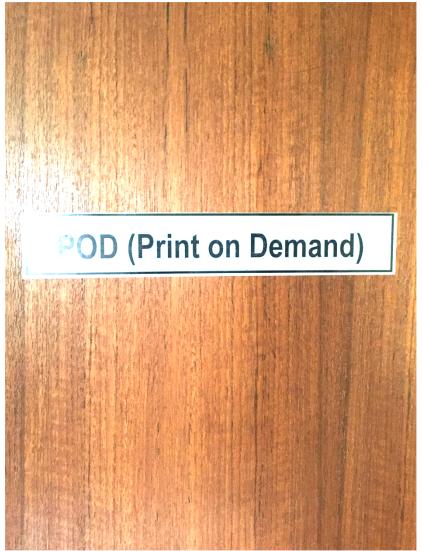


















Accomplishing the Work in Ames Des Moines



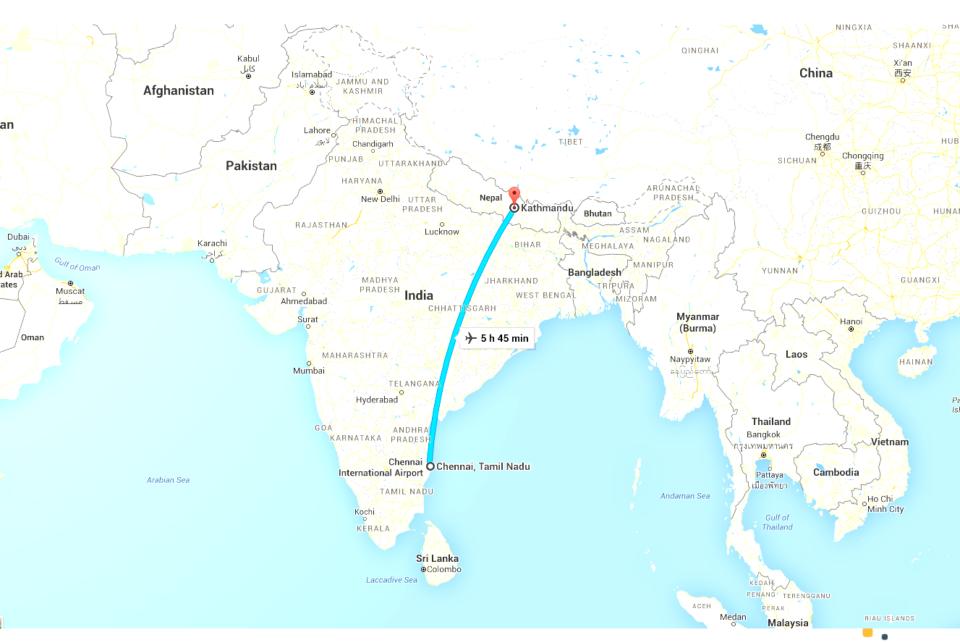


Noble City Church and Northland Church went to Nepal to visit BILD Partner















NLAG Church

- 35K people (50k on holiday gatherings)
- Started with 7 people in a house 1970s
- Four Ms to build a big church
 - Music, Media, Message, Massage
- Chadwick Mohan Leader
- Graduated from Antioch School and Gordon Conwell
- Realized "a crowd that gathers" is not enough
- Working with us to organize as a family following our local model









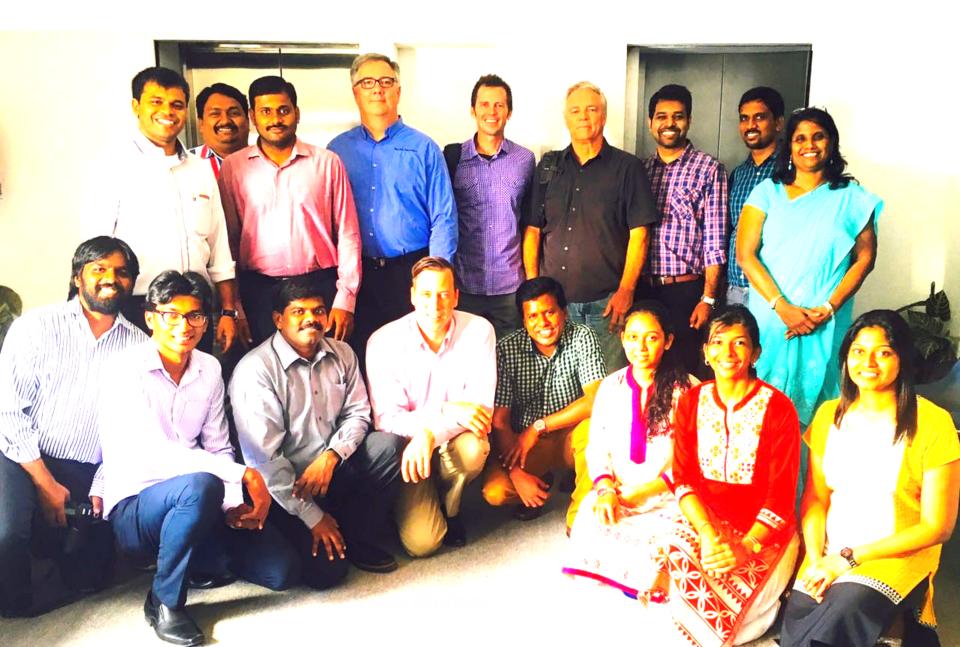
Moving from large church gatherings, to TWCA as families.

Based on our model, they are meeting as families:

- Meeting as Life Groups (small churches)
- when 5 churches are formed, they organize a cluster
- Each church has leaders, each cluster has shepherds
- When a cluster is formed, they start weekly meetings thus meet weekly as a church and church cluster
 - Church cluster open to community, hosted by the 5 churches
 - 90 people in cluster, with 450 attending the cluster events



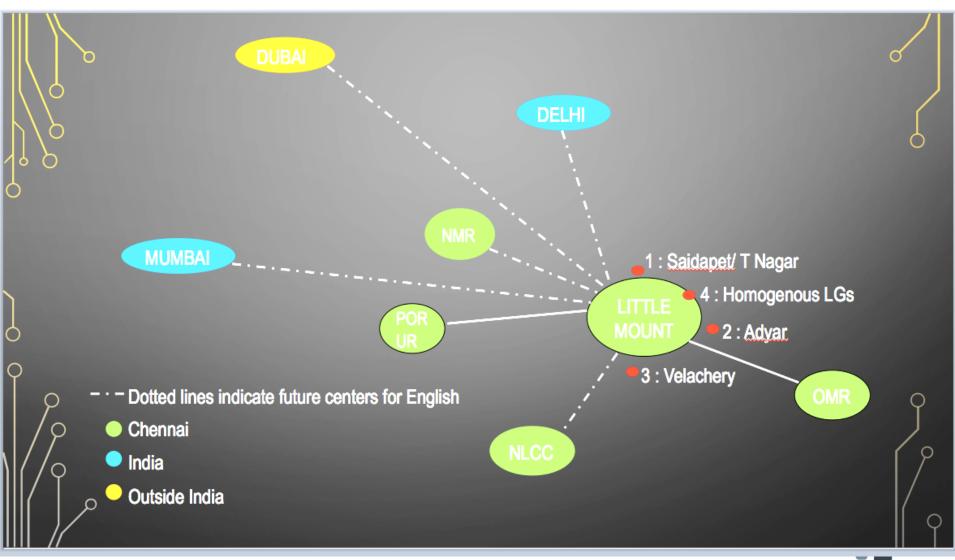
Sodal Team





Leaders Meeting – equivalent to our Monday leaders meeting







LEADERSHIP TEAMS: 1. LITTLE MOUNT CENTER: LM1, LM 2,LM 3 & LM4

	LM 1	LM 2	LM 3	LM4
	Saidapet	Adyar	Velachery	Homogenous Life
	Little Mount	Besant Nagar	Vijayanagar	Groups
	CIT Nagar	Kotturpuram	Adambakkam	Teens, College,
	T Nagar	Thiruvanmiyur	Alandur	Young Working
l l	Kodambakkam	RA Puram	Nanganallur	Adults
P	KK Nagar	Mylapore		9
1/20	CURRENT #LGs	CURRENT #LGs	CURRENT #LGs	CURRENT #LGs
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ENGLISH LIFE GROUPS ASSOCIATED WITH CENTERS

City leaders	3
LM 1: Saidapet	4
LM 2: Adyar	7
LM 3: Velachery	5
LM 4: NLAG	35
OMR	15
Porur	6
NMR	5
NLCC	10
TOTAL	90



SHEPHERDING ISSUES OF APRIL 2016

- •49 Questions
- Please add to the list of questions today
- Next meeting in October 2016



SHEPHERDING ISSUES: QUESTIONS ASKED: APRIL 2016

A. ATTENDANCE

- Irregular attendance
- 2. Low priority to attend LG
- Only one spouse attends LG

B. INTER-LG CONCERNS

4. When Ig member of another LG approaches us for counselling how should the leader go about it?

C. FAMILY

- Only one spouse comes to NLAG & LG so not in position to take care of family as a whole esp. during crisis, family issues, how to get them all to come as a family? To help them grow
- 6. Post-natal depression leading to lack of peace in family
- one spouse connected more with Tamil ig and husband more connected to English ighow to handle their issues when don't come together as family
- Need elders to help deal with some elder issues- e.g. family-kid separated from dad --need some elders to help talk
- Separation due to husband's mental illness
- Marriage between believer and unbeliever
- 11. Divorce & remarriage
- Divorce case 1-Husb pretended to be Christian but turned away from faith and fell into sin-so divorced. Now can she get married again or stay single esp. when going thru teaching)
- 13. Issues between husband-wife
- Lack of communication & understanding between couples marital discord-deep but family carries on
- 15. When wife is believer and husband is non-believer and husband parents stay with them-increasing quarrels
- 16. When wife leaves with son abroad and husband still in Chennal taking care of sick parents-bringing discord at home as hubs not sure if he should join wife or take care of parents- not attending LG now
- Married when they were unbelievers. Then husband got into affair with another woman-now doing witchcraft etc. Divorced- now wife wants to remarry-what to do
- 18. Husband no job, unkind to wife and kids, lazy, doesn't attend LG, wife health issues dep on parents to take care of kid, not confident
- 19. Husband no job, wife working odd shifts- not coming to church or LG

D. DIFFICULT PEOPLE IN LG

- 20. Obstruction to teaching by unnecessary discussions by a person
- 21. People raising issues that counter the teaching
- 22. When irregular LG members are very active in serving on Sundays- how do we deal?
- 23. handling people who listen well to teaching but not willing to align to it



Host
Hospitality
Acts 2:42-46





Quick travel stats:

- 13 airports
- Around 24 security checks
- Delhi airport 4 times
- 0 lost bags, 0 delays, 0 crashes/shipwrecks
- Over 50 hours in planes and airports



- Antioch School
 - This is our tool for developing leaders in our international, national and local work
 - Just received 5 years of accreditation!
 - This is a huge accomplishment for our work
 - Lots of people have training programs, no one has an entire training program building on TWCA paradigm
 - Even fewer have accreditation



National Work – two main areas of work

1. Antioch Initiative – 30 City Strategy

- Working with existing churches/leaders who want to follow the Antioch tradition
- Working with all "streams" of churches/leaders
- Planting churches and training leaders, seeking welfare of their cities





2. CityChurch Network

 Churches that look "a lot like us" – they serve as paradigm models in their own cities, building their networks



Antioch Initiative – we are working in 6 major cities now

Northland

NORTHLAND A Church Distributed

- Started in a skating rink in 1970s, a church of over 20k today
- Their vision is to be a church that is "distributed" all over the world, they don't want to just be a church that gathers, they want to "distribute" all over the world

 They went to Nepal, Chennai to understand how our international partners are doing this work

NORTHLAND <u>A Church Distributed</u>	CONNECT RESOURC	ES ABOUT Calendar Minist	ries Need Help? Give Q
121 HOPE	DIVORCE RECOVERY	MARRIAGE MINISTRIES	SEW & SERVE
ACCESS MINISTRIES	FAITHFUL & TRUE	MARRIAGE PREPARATION	SEX ADDICTS ANONYMOUS (MEN)
ADOPTION FOSTER CARE	FAMILY MINISTRIES	MEN OF IMPACT	SINGLE PURPOSE
ARABIC FELLOWSHIP	FINDING FINANCIAL FREEDOM	MIDDLE SCHOOL	STEPHEN MINISTRY
BAPTISM	FIRM FOUNDATIONS	MOTORCYCLE MINISTRY	TRANSFORMERS – MARRIED COUP
BELONGING AT NORTHLAND (MEM	GRIEF MINISTRIES	NORTHLAND OVIEDO STUDENTS	TRUE NORTH INTERNSHIP
BLENDED FAMILY MINISTRIES	HEALING GRACE	NORTHLAND OVIEDO STUDENTS	VETERANS FOR CHRIST
BOOKSTORE	HIGH SCHOOL	NORTHLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL	WEDDINGS
CELEBRATE RECOVERY	HISPANIC MINISTRY	OVIEDO COUNSELING CLINIC	WOMEN'S COMMUNITY BIBLE STUD
CELEBRATE RECOVERY - LAKE COU	HOSPITAL VISITATION TEAM	PEACESEEKERS	WOMEN'S HEALING MINISTRY
CHASING WISDOM	IGNITE STUDENT MINISTRIES	PETPALS	WORSHIP IN THE ARTS
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES — LONGW	LIFE LABS	PRAXIS	YOUNG ADULT GATHERING
COOPERATIVE SCHOOL AT NORTH	LIFEHOPE	PRISON AND JAIL TRANSITION	
COSA RECOVERY PROGRAM	LIFEHOPE CHILDCARE CENTER	RECOVERING COUPLES ANONYMO	

RESOURCE POINT



DISASTER RESPONSE

LOCAL SERVING

CityChurch Network

- This is a group/network of churches that like very similar to our local work
- They are paradigm pioneers in their own cities
- Randy and Caleb are leading them, Molly went on the last trip
- Noble CityChurch went to Nepal
- Hickory, NC went to Indonesia
- Lawrence CityChurch is partnering with UGM in Delhi







David Nayoan added 4 new photos — with Rodney Hannah Morris and 3 others.

13 hrs - Tangerang, Indonesia - 👌

New Family





Local

- It has been 4.5 years (?) since we organized ourselves as a church of churches, as as family meeting as families
- Today, we are putting renewed emphasis on our own local initiatives, reaching our community.



All of this strategy and work become....



























Our Ames Des Moines Initiative

- 1. Networking Strategy
- 2. Rebuilding people's lives Re:Build
- 3. Engaging with Business Community
- 4. Improving our Communications



1. Networking Strategy

- Working with local churches to establish people and leaders
- James is rethinking his entire lifework

2. Rebuilding people's lives – Re:Build

Assisting the "under resourced" into our families to rebuild their lives

3. Engaging with Business Community

 Businesses are essential to our lives, our church needs to be a partner in: develop people's gifts, help others begin businesses

4. Improving our Communications

- Telling our story through the Web blogs, websites, FB
- Kiosk in our Community Center telling our story to users of building
- Art Hanging area and updating audio/visual in Community Center

Monday Meetings are essential for hearing the details and building one-mindedness around:

- the shepherding of our churches
- the establishment and expansion of our churches
- Understanding the details of all of these 4 aspects of our initiative

