

Dear FFG Family,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

The past several months have been busy and groundbreaking for us. It is marvelous to watch the Lord work among the Bengali and exciting that the Lord is allowing us to play a part in it.

POWERCLUBS



In October we launched our project among the Bengali children. This was a new thing for EPIC in India. We felt the Lord leading us to reach and disciple the next generation. From October 7-10 we held our first training for the leaders of the PowerClubs. It was three days of intense but fun training. I really believe the trainees had as much or more fun as the children who came in from the nearby village to serve as guinea pigs.

In addition to the main body of training we spent time praying over a map of West Bengal and each section of the state. All of us felt the Lord's presence very strongly in our midst as we prayed. On the last day of training we commissioned and sent the trainees out with the challenge to be fruitful and multiply. And they immediately did just that! We trained 25 leaders and



now have 40+ clubs. Several of the leaders have already made disciples and are training new leaders to start clubs in other villages. There are now approximately 1300 children attending PowerClubs in the northern part of West Bengal. Many of the children are already witnessing to their parents and 10 new house churches have been formed in 3 months! We'll be holding the next training session in the southern



part of the state and are believing God for a similar or greater response. We look forward to great things happening through these clubs.

UNREACHED/UNENGAGED NO LONGER!

We are thrilled to report that we now have five families of believers among the Bagdi people. The Bagdi are a Bengali people group that has not, until now, received Christ. Church Planter, Mahindra Das, working in the southern part of the state has brought five Bagdi families to the Lord. This group of people works as fishermen and day laborers. These five families are working among construction crews usually shoveling and sifting sand for concrete. After coming to Christ they were forced to leave their village. Mahindra, whose house is little more than a 6-foot tall thatched hut, took them in and has been caring for them until we can help them get resituated. We praise God for these souls and ask that you please pray that they will be able to go back to their own people and share Jesus with them. There are approximately 3 million Bagdi people living in West Bengal and all need the Lord.



Thank you for your love, prayers and support. You are all so precious to us. Thank you to Zaccheus Town for the wonderful pictures and the photo. Liana and Elizabeth have it in their room so they can see their "dadas and didis" (brothers and sisters) praying for them on the other side of the world.

Yours in His service,
Mathew, Crista, Liana and Elizabeth