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BANGLADESH

Dear Brethren,

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Our Bible conference was a great success and encouragement to all attending. Getting the various brothers and sisters in Christ to assemble at one location was a lot of work. Bro. Biduut takes most of the credit for putting this all together. Transportation was provided for those traveling a great distance, and we provided daily meals, snacks, and lodging for those who needed it. The conference was about four hours north of the capital, Dhaka. We had the electricity go out for short periods of time on a few occasions, but we kept rolling. All those attending were believers in Christ, many of whom I had not previously met. Most of those at the bible conference were from the Garo tribe, which is an ethnic minority group in Bangladesh with an even more significant number in India. The Gospel came to their tribe almost two hundred years ago through Baptist missionaries. To this day, half of their tribe are Christian, with the remaining being mostly Hindu. I'm sure most of you know the song, 'I Have Decided to Follow Jesus.' This song was written about an Indian missionary martyr from this very Garo tribe named 'Nokseng.'



Although I had previously visited homes, schools, and universities, this was different because we met at one location. For those traveling from the Muslim villages, this was the best way to go about it because they are so spread out. Unfortunately, the word of our conference wasn't known to many of those in the outlying areas and Muslim villages. After the meeting, I got together with some of the Pastors, and we discussed how we could improve the correspondence between the Garo leaders and the Pastors in the Muslim villages. Some areas have inferior cellphone service, so we would need to physically meet with

them concerning days, dates, and times. If possible, we'd like to have a few of these per year, with the next one possibly in November. To have these meetings on a large scale in any of these Muslim villages would create quite a stir with the Islamic chiefs and hierarchy within them. But this is not a problem if they can travel and meet with us at our present conference location. It also gives these ex-Muslims who have received Christ much greater liberty, unity, and fellowship without any Muslim leaders constantly looking over their shoulders. Most of those attending this meeting were men and women from the Garo community, and some were from the youth group. The Lord blessed the time, and all were excited to meet again. Thanks to all who prayed to this end.

Please continue to pray that the Lord will work upon the hearts of the college students during our weekly bible study in Dhaka. Most of these young men are from the eastern Hill Tracts area of Bangladesh and study science and agriculture here. It has been great to know them and share Christ with them. Thank you for helping me reach souls for Christ.



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