## MEET THE TEAM WHO TRAVELLED WITH SUZANNE

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In the last week of February, God came down in Andhra Pradesh, India!

We travelled for 24 hours to reach India and no sooner had left the airport we were making our first ministry visit to a home for widows. They welcomed us with joy and colourful garlands, a perfect welcoming party for our trip to India! Later that evening we ate supper at the home of a Baptist Pastor who invited us to name his daughter, she was celebrating her first birthday that day. It was an absolute honour and a wonderful first day for our visit to India.

The following morning we spent time at a school for orphans and under privileged children. Their little faces were alight with the love of Jesus, who we know cares for each of them! They sang songs of praise to the king with great enthusiasm, an uplifting experience.



On Sunday we visited no less than seven different churches - three of which were brand new church plants. The pastors have faced great hardships and trials, but they remain faithful to the work. Some of those servants of God are Pastoring multiple churches that are scattered across remote villages. These villages are made up of mainly poor people who have no means to travel, so our Pastors spend hours travelling to and from the villages to ensure they minister to their congregations. One such Pastor, who less than a year ago graduated from "Step Out in Faith Bible school", is now shepherding 10 different congregations with around 500 believers under his care.

The three day Crusade in India saw thousands of people meeting under a star filled sky! The people came any way they could; by foot, Bicycle, motor bike, rickshaw, cars and busses. There were even trucks transporting people by the hundreds! The vast majority of these people were Hindu, but all of them wanted to hear the gospel message.

As the Word of God was preached the Holy Spirit swept over the congregation and melted people's hearts. Each night we had an Alter call and thousands stood to their feet to put their trust in Christ. Lifting their hands high to heaven they cried out to Jesus, seeking forgiveness from their sins and committing their lives to Him!

Signs and wonders followed this great outpouring Multitudes of people received the Master's healing touch in their bodies - simply as they stood there! Men and Women rushed to the platform to testify the great miracles. Blind eyes could now see, deaf ears were opened and long standing pain in backs, heads knees, chest and limbs disappeared! One Lady who was mute received healing and was able to speak and another came with a withered hand which was healed instantly after receiving prayer. The Glory of God manifested everywhere!

Every night the Crusade closed with hundreds of people coming to us to have hands laid on them to receive a blessing. Their hunger for Christ was extraordinary and their zeal for his touch burned so hot that it was astonishing for us to behold!

It was a joy to witness the works of God throughout this crusade. We felt privileged to have been a part of this wonderful team and I was honoured to be one of the speakers.

We departed India with a sense of fulfilment for the work the Lord had accomplished through us, but our work was only the beginning. As we boarded our plane, the crucial work of following up with the thousands of individuals who were saved and healed had already begun and continuing to this day.

I do not know how many people were touched during our time in India. I believe that only heaven will be able to tell the true story of what happened during those three glorious nights in Gudivada, India!



## Elizabeth Abu Gyekye

We arrived safely at New Delhi Airport. Whilst waiting for the plane there was news that there had been a terrorist attack in the city of Hyderabad. But we summoned courage and believed that our God will protect us and guide us safely to our destination.

We arrived safely to Vijayawada Airport and were welcomed by pastor Ganta and his team. On Saturday Morning we visited the orphanage school. It was a nice experience and see the culture and the tradition of India.

On Sunday we visited the newly established churches in the villages. Reverend Suzanne opened the church and cut the tape followed by myself, Robert, and Pastor Peter. We then had the privilege of distributing New Testament Bibles to the members. We were also able to baptise about 12 people and new converts who gave their lives to Christ.

On Monday and Tuesday The crusade started at 7.30pm with praise and worship. Reverend Suzanne and Pastor Peter preached the good news to God's children. The attendance was very good. Most of them gave their lives to Christ and the pastors arranged to introduce them to the pastor in charge for new convert classes to be arranged for them. People with different kinds of illnesses such as blindness, Arthritis, general bodily pain, knee, back pain, Glaucoma and Lymphoma were healed. The Spirit of God moved mightily in the lives of His children.

On Wednesday The crusade ground was filled to its capacity. Thousands of people attended. Reverend Suzanne and Pastor Peter preached the gospel. I delivered words of exaltation to the people as did elder Robert Brown. There was a good response to the alter call and the majority of people gave their lives to Christ. A lot of people received their healing; blind eyes were restored, tumours were healed, Arthritis and bodily pains were also healed. It was so amazing. The crusade came to an end with the joy of the Lord and the presence of the Holy Spirit. I had a great experience and without a doubt I enjoyed the crusade and experienced the mighty move of the presence of God upon His people. To God be the Glory for the great things He has done.