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Thank you so much for your on going partnership and support in this ministry. In this edition we share news from Ecuador, India, USA, Malaysia, Nepal, the Caribbean, and Russia! We praise God that there is much going on in SEAN and through our partners across the world. We have much to be thankful for, but there are also things we need to continue to lift to our Lord in prayer. Please find below a few short examples of some of these items to help direct you in your prayers. Thank you.

Nepal



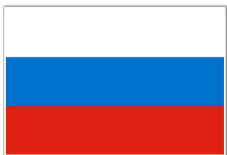
Tea and TEE in the shadows of Mt. Everest!

Mt. Everest standing at 8848m is the tallest peak in the world and lies in Nepal. Nepal also has fastest growing church in the world and the area around Mt Everest now has several churches. Tasi Sherpa brought TEE to the area five years ago. Everest is in the Solikhumbu district and there are 15 churches connected to our partner ITEEN there. Over Christmas, ITEEN ran tutor training sessions at the height of 3400 meter in TokTok village which is beyond Namche Bazar – popular amongst the climbing fraternity for high altitude acclimatisation! This training has given new energy to the growing church there. People in the mountains love Tea and now they are loving TEE too!



Ecuador

We are always encouraged to hear stories of how people have used our courses to begin to study God's word and how they have then continued on in study and teaching others. Here is a message we recently received from Ecuador. *"Dear friends, May God bless you very much. I have personally reviewed and studied several courses in pastoral theology, and the Abundant Life lessons helped me first to study theology at the Bible Institute, then university and I have actually just finished my doctorate in theology! SEAN's courses have been a real gift, and a great blessing. Today I desire this program of discipleship for the whole Church. Thank you for your help. Your server, Bladimiro Guingla"*



Russia

Our partner ORTA recently held a TEE seminar in Lazo, in the far east of Russia. We thank God it went very well. Tamara Kulesh, from ORTA shared this encouragement with us; "All in all there were 13 people at it including Pastor Marina (Lazo church) and presbyters from another church (City of Partizansk). All the participants seemed to be interested in TEE and ORTA. We hope that new ORTA groups will start in this region. An exciting thing is that Pastor Denis from the settlement of Smolyaninovo participated in this seminar as a coach as well. He says it was a very helpful experience for him and he is going to start an ORTA group in his church." Praise God.



The Caribbean

The following news and items for prayer are from our partner ministry 'Train & Multiply', which was a project SEAN was heavily involved in in the early years. Please join us in thanking God for the 4,400 church planters that have been trained for ministry and the 365 Training Centers that have reached out to 21 different denominations. Please also pray that these Training Centers will receive all the materials needed to begin their sessions on time and for more pastors and volunteer workers to be trained to plant house churches.

"In our culture it is often hard to get our heads around this. Praise God that He does get around our heads!"

Lloyd Niles, Executive Director, Train & Multiply. <https://trainandmultiply.com>



USA, Asia and beyond...

We thank God for the work and ongoing support of our partners 'Friends of Grace'. Their 18 month course to equip and disciple believers with a strong theological foundation has been taught in Bible schools and churches in California, New Jersey, Cambodia, Myanmar, Vietnam, Malaysia, and Asia. Over this last year 72 people have graduated and 232 students are currently studying in 17 classes. Below are some photos from just a few of their graduations! May God bless them all.



India

It has been a great joy to hear how our partner TAFTEE's work is progressing and especially the work in Maharashtra and Gujarat. Please pray for their proposed consultation around the use of SEAN/TAFTEE materials in North India in April. It is a great opportunity to invite their supporters in North India to gather together to see how they can encourage the use of the Abundant Life and the Life of Christ materials particularly across the Hindi belt. It will also provide an opportunity for those who are presently using the materials to share fellowship and support each other in prayer and any practical ways that they can. Please pray it will also attract people who may be interested in using the materials in the future.



Malaysia

The Increase Network are hosting a TEE Conference in Malaysia from April 20th - 25th 2015 involving many of our partners across Asia. Please pray that God will bless all those in attendance and that their time together will really advance the work of the ministry in the region and even further afield.

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