

Invited to Participate in What God is Doing

Josh and Christine Cairns travelled to Nepal with the vision team. As they prayed about going, they sensed it was God's invitation to step into something new. As a couple, they believe God brought them together for a Kingdom purpose.

We went to Nepal with few expectations and an archive of Global Disciple God-stories running in our brain. And a niggling question: did the dramatic, miraculous God-stories really happen? And would we go home with a dynamic God-story to tell.

On Sunday morning we joined a local church service. Jerry one of Global Disciples leaders, was invited to speak. At the end of the service, he invited each member of the vision trip to pray. Christine and I were asked to pray for healing.

What happened next was completely unexpected. Men, women and young people came to pray with us. We prayed for more than two hours! And it seemed like ten minutes.

Exhausted and elated, we went to the local pastor's home for lunch.

After lunch, he invited us to come and visit a woman battling ovarian cancer. We were shocked when we saw her. The pain and suffering evident on her face. Her daughter and four aunts were with her. We anointed her with oil and prayed.

Her daughter spoke English. She told us that she didn't believe in Jesus. She wanted Jesus to be real, but she wasn't convinced. She shared that her father had left the family and her mother could not forgive him.



And we prayed.

The Holy Spirit gave us the words to speak. We asked the mother when she first experienced hurt. We could see that the question took her back to another place and the Holy Spirit was beginning to work in her. Then we asked Jesus who she needed to forgive.

She raised her hands and began to pray. She poured out her heart and prayed with the power of the Holy Spirit. She forgave her husband and his family who had hurt her. She repented of her own sin. She prayed for seven or eight minutes.

As she prayed, one of the aunties vomited violently. Shocked, God's Spirit enabled us to pray against the evil spirit within her.

We prayed that daughter would know Jesus and that He would be real in her life.

We are grateful that Jesus invited us into the story of the Nepalese church. We met ordinary people who accepted the invitation of Jesus to be a part of building the Kingdom of God. They were ordinary, everyday people invited to build the Kingdom of God in their community.

We experienced the power of prayer and healing. We shared meals with men and women persecuted for their faith yet never relenting on their desired to share Jesus and invite others into the Kingdom.

We've returned home changed.

Most of all, we clearly heard the invitation of Jesus to "Come and follow me."

Josh and Christine Cairn.

P.S. *We recently received a video from the family we prayed over. Our new friend is regaining her strength. When we saw her face, we were thrilled to see just how much stronger she looked. God's healing power is at work.*

