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#### **REFLECTIONS FROM STEPHEN**

I boarded the plane at DFW around noon. Thirty-five hours later I finally arrived at the Guest House in Leh and was getting acquainted with my new, renovation crew teammates. Team members from three states and three different countries coming together for a common purpose. We all had varying skills, interests and backgrounds, yet one goal for the next ten days

Meetings ahead of our arrival in Leh gave us an idea of what needed to be done, but developing the final product needed to be completed on-site. It was such a blessing to see how God used the



skills of each person to flesh out the vision and make it happen. Ram, Neha and Martha showed us the ropes of how to survive in Leh and provided the best local cuisine. Luke and Pat led the electrical efforts, blazing a path for the kitchen and the lighting in the shop. The Tennessee crew (Chad, Chris and Tony) led the efforts on transforming the shop area into a trendy café—flooring, coffee bar and making it all fit together. Timothy pitched in with translation duties and capturing pictures we all enjoy now. Bob handled our finances and kept us focused and I ran for suppliestrue teamwork.

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Going into the trip, I wondered how I would fit in with the effort. I really enjoy exploring new places and interacting with the locals. Being the person to find things to keep the team making progress was so much fun! It's amazing for me to see how God so perfectly arranged my abilities and overall interests into helping the team. He worked in an incredible way to make our team gel and be productive while we were there and I know He will do more great things in the future!

#### **CAFÉ AU LEH**

Ram, the Café Manager, was interviewed and asked what he liked/loved about working at Café au Leh.



"I love working at Café au Leh as it is for God's ministry purpose."

"I mostly like to interact with new people while working."

"I love the work because I am doing it for God."



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#### **HELP IS NEEDED**

Our supply of BTW Signature hats is down to two! The 2025 teams will be visiting many villages and would like to have a sufficient supply of hats to distribute to the children.



If you would be willing to help us out by knitting a few hats, please contact Dona Clair at donaclair@verizon.net or Nazuna at nazuna.konishi@gmail.com.

For your convenience, the pattern for the hats is attached to this newsletter. The yarn should be acrylic or a washable combination in a 4-ply worsted weight. Many thanks to our faithful knitters.

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#### WHAT'S NEXT FOR BTW?

The 2025 Project dates and goals have been tentatively set.

#### **PROJECT 1**

The ongoing renovation of Café au Leh. A 4-6 member team is projected for March 15-29, 2025 to do work on the kitchen floor, renovate the third floor lounge, painting and other tasks that need to be completed.

#### **PROJECT 2**

Operation Dipling - A 6-member team is planned to visit the small community of Dipling to distribute clothing and our signature hats, provide educational materials for their school and teach an ESL Christian Values Education class. This trip would be June 21-July 5, 2025.

#### **PROJECT 3**

This 4-member team is projected for June 21-30, 2025, and would be visiting either Diggar or Puga for research and needs assessment for a future team trip. We will, of course, distribute our BTW signature hats.

Prayerfully consider your part on one of these teams. If you want more information or have decided you would like to be on a team contact Jay at ljcbtw@gmail.com.

The BTW Board invites you to come see what God is doing in an unreached part of the world. Glorify God with us for "His awesome deeds for mankind." We need more workers for the harvest time. We need to be prepared for the time when GOD draws His people to Himself. Those He foreknows will respond to the working of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

We have a great vision of outreach but cannot do it without your prayers, participation and financial support. We would be encouraged if when you receive our Newsletter, you send us a short message. We need to know others are standing with us.

"Come and see what God has done, His awesome deeds for mankind!" Psalm 66:5 (NIV)

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#### **OPERATION DIPLING**

As the 2023 Lingshed team was finishing up their last day, they were introduced to a group of three adults and three children



from a community called Dipling. They came to ask BTW for help.

Dipling is a small struggling community up in the highlands, a thirty-minute drive from Lingshed and from there a six-hour trek into the mountains. These are definitely an unreached people group. There is one teacher for the fifteen students, with a minimum of educational materials. We had many questions. Could we find a team that could make that trip? How would we transport supplies? So many questions, but how could we not go?

In 2024 a team was formed to make this trip, but unfortunately, weather did not permit the team to go. In the meantime we asked Dipling if we could help them in any way. They asked for warm jackets and shoes for the students, plus educational and sports equipment.

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

BTW is planning to supply these needs, but we need your help to do this. Would your church or organization be willing to take on the task of supplying the jackets or shoes? We have been given the ages and sizes of each of the children, so if you are interested in helping supply clothing or would help with the expenses incurred in the mailing of the boxes to Leh, contact Dona Clair at donaclair@verizon.net.

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ORGANIZATION TO KNOW MORE
ABOUT BTW? WE CAN MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE A BTW BOARD
MEMBER COME SPEAK? CONTACT JAY
AT ljcbtw@gmail.com

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- 1. Café au Leh
- 2. Ram, Neha and Bimal
- 3. 2025 Team Plans/projects
- 4. BTW Funding
- 5. Dipling Village

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