

## TELLING THE STORY...

**“Why don’t you do something like what you did before, but multiplied by 6, and in half the time?”**

*(I’m back in South Asia)*

In my last newsletter, I was contemplating projects in Africa and Central Asia. However, the same week He closed the

doors on those opportunities, He opened doors for another, back in my former country in South Asia. I was asked to manage not 1, but 6 One-Story projects in the surrounding area where I am. Among these 6 languages, 3 do not have any scripture portions at all. The other languages have some. My task is to communicate in the trade language, training the 6 teams to craft accurate, culturally relevant, as well as retell-able B stories. An impossible task for me. But not for Him. I arrived in “Pan Town” in October, and plan to stay about a year.

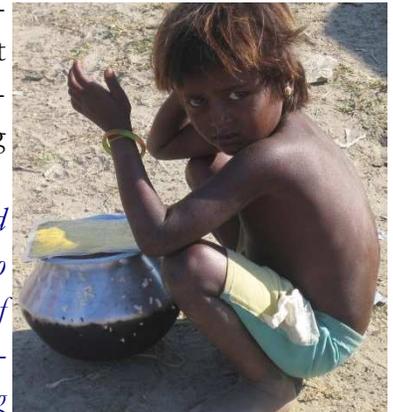
*(Picture– view from my window– Children making cow-patties!)*



**Teams are already using the stories...**

Here is an edited excerpt from a report by the local organization I am working with:

*The “Agape” Team had a unique opportunity to share B Stories in a relief camp with over 300 victims who lost everything*



*in the recent Flood Disaster in the north part of our state. Because the communication was in the local Agape language, there was immediate rapport. Falling at the feet of the staff just before they left after 6 weeks of continuous care and counseling (having been served over 27,000 meals and lived in 9,000 sq. ft of semi-permanent shelters) they were moved to tears. Not only did they receive love at the camp, they heard of the Source of this love. Many wanted to know more. Very moving.*

***(Pictures: Relief camp, and telling stories)***





**“Why don’t you handle it? After all, you’re the project coordinator!”**

*(Pan Town Workshop Update)*

Three weeks after I arrived, we (consultants from America, and the 6 language teams) had a 2 week intense workshop. I have never been so stretched in my life!! I quickly learned that my “title” here is Pro-

ject Coordinator and responsibilities that I didn’t know were mine, popped up daily! We all worked from 8am til about 6 ever day, and often later. When I hit the bed, in spite of the loud termites, itchy bed-bugs, and the firm mattress, I slept soundly most

nights! The teams have now been trained how to craft stories, check for accuracy, and how to test them for ‘retell-ability.’



**Calendar:**

November- Malaysia to lead One-Story training,  
 December- “Pan Town” and home (USA), for a quick break at Christmas!  
 January –March, 09 – “Pan Town” (workshop in February)  
 April – Thailand to lead One-Story training.  
 May-September or so- “Pan Town”

**P&P**

- Praise for safely travelling to/ from Pan town, and Malaysia.
- Praise for a successful workshop in Pan Town- and fairly clear communication!
- Prayer for the 6 teams as they apply what they’ve learned.
- Prayer for the security/safety of the teams. Some mother-tongue Workers receive persecution at times for what they do.

Daily Prayer for the 6 teams

- Monday- Agape Team
- Tuesday-Pomegranate Team
- Wednesday-Spice Team
- Thursday- Blizzard Team
- Friday- Mountain Team
- Saturday- Mighty Team
- Sunday- for the unreached village people that will hear His Stories!



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In addition to my assignment in Pan Town, I am also helping with One-Story trainings in Malaysia and Thailand. Here I am in a tea field in Malaysia– on a much needed day off!

Partnering with you,

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