

a dream becomes a reality

"Lord, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance." ~ Psalm 16:5-6

Short Version

- Storying Training
- Dream Becomes a Reality
- "Team Grass"

Schedule:

Oct. 14th- Nov. 13th- Epic training in Thailand

November 15th - Back with our people group for language learning and culture/worldview study in preparation for stories!

Dec. 6th- I'm going to my best friend's wedding-- in South Asia! (Pray for the bus and two train rides I'll have to get there!)

"Lord, do I have to go to training?"



A group of us on one of our days off. We went bamboo rafting!

I must admit, I had somewhat of a negative attitude about coming to training because I didn't want to leave our people. However our training has been a huge blessing to me in a variety of ways. Meeting others doing the same work we're doing, worshipping in other languages (which reminds of my home church!), receiving technical, language, spiritual and storying training, driving a motorbike around the city, and hearing exciting experiences from others has only increased my motivation for going back to work with our people.

A Dream Becomes a Reality

We spent our first three months in South Asia in training, language school, and one month living with an Indian family. In spite of no running water, grass for dinner (literally), communication barriers among other new things, I felt blessed and privileged to be with our people. Though we didn't get into our storying work too much, we were with our people- and for me, my "dream had become a reality."



Language Notes:

Kahan is a psydonym for the area we live in. It also means "where" in the national language.

Kahani is a psydonym for the language we're learning and will be telling stories in. It also means "story" in the national language!

Storying...

The first week we arrived in "Kahan," we were asked to help teach a workshop on storying. We were unsure of exactly what to do since we had not yet received our training! But we went, and ended up learning a lot ourselves! We also had the chance to work with other believers who know the language we'll be working in. It was a blessing!

Praises

- * Encouragement from our training and meeting others
- * Safety - While we've experienced some interesting travel situations, we've stayed safe!
- * Health- so far, Robin and I have experienced very little sickness!
- * Packages and Letters!!! Thank you for your letters and for the packages! What a blessing!

Prayers

- * Language Learning- we're starting to learn the local language now; pray for language helpers!
- * Story crafters- pray that God will direct our paths to meet good story tellers!
- * Our supervisors are coming to meet us early next year- pray for an encouraging time with them!

"Team Grass"

After hearing how we eat grass back in our people group, our fellow teammates at training nicknamed us 'Team Grass'.

So how is 'team grass' doing? If you remember, according to our personality test we took back in June, we are opposites, but learning that because of our differences, we complement each other well. We've learned how to be two feet away from each other, but still have 'alone' time. We can order for each other at a restaurant. We're learning what excites each other and what is discouraging.



I'm very thankful not only for my partnership with Robin, but also our friendship and the encouragement that we are to each other. Please continue that God strengthens our relationship.

I hope that you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!!!

Until All Have Heard,
~**Elizabeth**