

Jacob and Miriam

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Jacob and Miriam serve just outside the capital city on the eastern side of their country. Their ministry focuses on Bible study, discipleship, pastoral training, and community outreach, all aimed at making the good news of Christ known to people across the region.

Ministry

The couple's ministry revolves around weekly Bible studies in their home, where both seekers and believers gather to study the Bible, enjoy fellowship, and engage in Gospel discussions over snacks and games.

Jacob also mentors a local pastor, providing teaching on church ministry, doctrine, and sermon preparation. They actively support a healthy local church by investing in children's ministry, youth teaching, and discipleship. Their midweek house fellowship serves as a space for deeper study and spiritual growth.

Daily outreach includes visiting local shops and roadside tea stalls, where they engage in conversations, build relationships, and share the Gospel. These connections often lead to invitations to their home Bible study or follow-up discussions about faith.

As a mother of a toddler and a newborn, Miriam's ministry is centered on supporting Jacob and caring for Malachi and Samuel, while still actively engaging in relationships and hospitality.

Goals

- Expand their home Bible study and house fellowship.
- Train and equip local pastors and church leaders, including a summer seminar for 20 pastors.
- Spread the Gospel across the country, reaching people from various backgrounds.
- Disciple new believers, helping them grow in their knowledge, love, and obedience to God.

The People They Serve

The people are warm, personable, and open to conversation, which makes relationship-building natural. However, their relaxed approach to life and sin can make it challenging to convey the urgency of repentance and faith in Christ.

Challenges

- Hinduism's belief in millions of gods makes it easy for people to view Jesus as just another deity rather than the one true God.
- Many believe that all spiritual paths lead to the same place, making it difficult to convey the exclusivity of Christ.
- While there are many churches, only about 10% have sound theological beliefs, with many influenced by prosperity gospel, false teachings, syncretism, and charismatic practices.

Religious Landscape

- Hinduism is the dominant religion, with daily worship directed at three main gods, alongside countless others.
- Tibetan Buddhism and Islam also have a presence.
- Hinduism and Buddhism are often blended, with Hindus worshiping Buddha and Buddhists visiting Hindu temples.

Jacob and Miriam remain dedicated to planting seeds of faith, discipling believers, and training leaders as they serve in the Himalayas, trusting God to bring lasting transformation in the hearts of the people.

