Reaching INDIA by way of TAIPEI

This fall, Dr. Richard Pratt and Dr. Greg Perry traveled to Singapore, Indonesia, and Taiwan to teach, visit key partners, and share about the work Third Mill is doing. While in Taiwan, they met up with the Chinese Association of Reformed Theological Seminaries (CARTS) and a group of Indian pastors. Below, Richard shares about his time in Taiwan and what encouraged him the most.

Greg and I were invited to attend a conference at Christ’s College, located at the outskirts of Taipei. We met up with Jim Southard, our videographer, who took stellar pictures and hours of video for a teacher-training curriculum we are developing. Since I was with them at their inception in Hong Kong eight years ago, CARTS has grown to more than a dozen seminaries. Greg and I gave talks to their presidents about the goals of theological education and practical ways to fulfill them. Our Chinese director focused his talk on how to train pastors in church-based training centers. He has been instrumental in creating this strategy in mainland China.

As a result, even with tighter restrictions, indigenous church leaders possess and know how to use the Third Mill curriculum to train many others! Please continue to pray for our Chinese director.

The highlight of the trip was meeting our brothers from India while CARTS held their meetings. Pastor Ebenezer Samuel told us about his ministry, Serve India, that trains approximately 6,700 pastors of small churches in different regions and language groups. He has been using a few of our courses in his training, which convinced him that these pastors must have our full curriculum in their languages. In addition, our long-time friend Dr. Vijay Raja met us in Taipei.

An archbishop of the Council of Reformed Evangelical Churches in India, Vijay oversees approximately 20,000 churches with 60+ bishops. When I asked him why he would want to use Third Mill, he said, “because it’s solid theology. And my people need solid theology.” When I asked how many of his pastors would want Third Mill, he replied, “all of them!”

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Another team has just begun work in Telugu and three courses are already on the website in manuscript form. What’s exciting is this: we now have a very large conduit to share Third Mill in India! As we approach our shared celebration of our true King’s arrival in this world, we give thanks for our fellowship and partnership in His good news!
Dear Brothers and Sisters

Thank you very much for such an informative seminar with Third Millennium Ministries. I was deeply humbled by the effort and sacrifice the Third Millennium puts together to educate our continent. So, thank you Third Mill leaders and staff. May the Lord bless you abundantly for your kindness and love. Africa has been enriched by your work.

— Rev. Jorum Mugari, Theological College of Zimbabwe

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