

REKINDLING LIVES WITH FRESH HOPE



"GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES"

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Jesus gave a mandate that is vital for every believer. In Matthew 28:19 He declared, *"GO and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ..."*.

Making disciples is the reason we *Go*! That's exactly what Jacob Walda and I have been doing all summer, travelling from town to town across Canada and to Sweden, declaring God's goodness and seeing lives transformed. How thankful we are for every heart that was touched, every body that received healing and every man, woman and child that was infused with the power of the Spirit and fresh passion as a disciples of Jesus to be an igniter of revival fires!

But what really excites me is the report Jacob and his Champions of Hope team brought back from their outreach to Kinngait (Cape Dorset), Nunavut in July. For months we have been sharing our plans with partners about the outreaches that Champions of Hope will do in needy Arctic communities, and invited dedicated believers of all ages who have a heart and vision for ministry to apply to become a team member. Jacob prayerfully chose the first team members, each of whom had a specific gifting to minister to the needs of Kinngait.

What the team was not prepared for was the heartbreaking news that greeted them as they exited the plane on the Kinngait tarmac. A local leader explained that a young woman had just committed suicide that day, leaving her small children as orphans. The news hit each of the team members like a punch in the gut, and the anticipation they'd all been feeling quickly turned to despair. Jacob's first reaction was to not only notify me but to contact our faithful Warriors of Hope prayer team and partners to implore them to pray. The team was re-ignited as assurances of prayer quickly came, giving them

fresh determination and faith that God would turn this devastating situation around for good.

Over the next couple of days Jacob and the team spent their time grieving with and ministering to family members of the young woman one-on-one, and to residents who had been so affected by the news. Many allowed the team to pray with them and received comfort and hope as they ministered. In spite of such tragic circumstances, the Lord brought beauty out of ashes, hope out of hopelessness and comfort out of despair. A close relative of the deceased woman testified at one of the services the team conducted that she'd had enough of what the enemy was trying to do in their hamlet and that she was standing up against him to believe God for no more suicides. She declared, "I have faith and believe our community can be restored!" Her declaration sparked faith in the other believers and a fresh atmosphere of hope filled the place.



Julia - one of our Champions of Hope, ministering to a local woman

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A report came to the team that a young man had also unsuccessfully attempted suicide, and they believed God had intervened in his life because of all the prayer, giving the team an opportunity to seek him out to minister to him. They were thrilled to report that, through his brokenness, the young man let a team member pray for him and he found hope in Jesus!

I believe the groundwork has been set for a mighty move of God in Kinngait and in every Inuit community where our Champions of Hope teams will minister over the next few years. One of the Kinngait team members said, "We saw first-hand the Gospel touching lives and healing hearts. We saw a number of healing miracles and people becoming re-acquainted with the love of the Father and power of the Spirit. I'm really excited to see believers and churches here coming together and actually starting to dream the mission of God to not only Kinngait but all the surrounding villages and communities. The Gospel works anywhere!"



Champions of Hope team with Jonah Arreak (pastor in Iqaluit)

As the outreach came to a close Jacob reported, "Look what God did when an army of people around the world decided to pray for Cape Dorset! Look at a map and find a

community across the north and intercede for that community every single day. We have seen the power of prayer and what happens when the Church wakes up and says, 'We're not going to stay in darkness anymore! We're not going to let the enemy grab hold of our young people anymore, but we're going to believe that God has mighty things in the days ahead.' To our Warriors of Hope and partners, thank you!"

While this team encountered unexpected circumstances in Kinngait, we know each Champions of Hope team member was exactly where God wanted them and used their giftings to specifically minister to the people they met. They are committed to keeping the individuals they reached on their hearts and to follow up with them in their walk with God. Another Champions of Hope team has already been selected and is being prepared to minister in Kinngait this fall. We are now accepting applications and encourage you to prayerfully consider becoming a future team member for other Arctic communities where we will go next year. To learn more visit our website at BPEA.com. Under the Arctic Hope menu you can learn more and find the Champions of Hope application form. We invite believers of all ages to apply and join us on one of these exciting outreaches to GO and make disciples!

If becoming a team member is not a possibility we need you as a member of our Warriors of Hope prayer team! This is the backbone and strength of every northern outreach we undertake. Jacob posts regular, specific prayer needs on which to focus as we believe together that Nunavut will be saved as the teams GO and make disciples! Of course, your faithful, financial partnership is vital as well, and I invite you to become part of the team that is making an eternal impact on the Arctic and across Canada. God bless you as you GO, GIVE AND PRAY!

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