

*In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.
Proverbs 3:6*

Dear Friends,

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During the month of June, the Lord continued to bless the work of our Biglife Disciple Makers. **Emergency relief** has continued to go out across South Asia, Africa and South America. Through this emergency relief, we have seen large numbers of people turning to the Lord in repentance and giving their lives to Him. **In Pakistan alone, we have seen over 3,500 baptisms in June**, compared to the usual 90-100 monthly average we have seen in this country. Trainings across the globe have been able to continue virtually and in person to equip locals to reach and disciple their own people. In Europe, new leaders are rising up every week, taking initiative to disciple their communities.

We also mourn the loss of 4 Biglife workers that were recently martyred in Iran and Pakistan. When asked if the work in Iran would stop this month because of these deaths, our leaders there replied, "Work cannot stop even if you die, I die or anyone else dies. The new team has already begun working in Iran" We ask that you keep these families and nations in your prayers.



Through it all, we continue to lift up the name of Jesus and give him the glory. We have seen him do incredible things overseas and the United States. In the **D.R. Congo**, our leader shared about several teenage boys who participated in a discipleship training in June. Three of the boys realized they had never been obedient in baptism and were eager to do so. The pool was a gift from another Biglife leader in Mauritius, which was a blessing because heavy rains caused the local lake to become too deep.

In the **United States**, our team member Hannah has been discipling a young woman, Ali, that she met at a wedding last October. Ali wanted to know the God that everyone was singing to and worshipping at the wedding, so Hannah began reading the Bible with her each morning. A few weeks ago, Ali accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and was obedient in baptism. Hannah got to baptize her in one of the Michigan great lakes.



In **Myanmar**, emergency relief and the Gospel have gone out to over **6,000** families. The Chin people have been very thankful for the assistance. Our team in Myanmar has been able to pray for the sick and are seeing people choose to follow Jesus through these efforts.



In **Pakistan**, our leaders visited a nearby area to share the Gospel, where they met in the house of other believers. One man who was there, a grandfather, was

listening very carefully. He said, "If it is true what you shared with us, I am praying to God that He may reveal the truth to me and show me the true path He has mentioned in the Bible." Our leaders prayed for him and said, "May God show you the right path. Amen". After a few days passed, the believer called our leader, saying that his grandfather was asking to call the man who was teaching about salvation through Jesus. The believer insisted that our leaders come quickly because his grandfather was not feeling well.

The grandfather was happy to see them. He said to our leader, "The last few days, **I have been praying to God to show me the right and true path that leads to Him.** I have had a reoccurring dream almost every night that I am passing through a dark valley, the Valley of Death, and on the other side, there is light. **Now, I have accepted Jesus as my personal Savior and Lord.** Tell me, what do I need to do to get salvation in His name?" Our leader said, "You have already accepted Jesus as your savior. You are saved." After receiving the Lord and being baptized, the grandfather was very excited and thankful.

After our leaders returned home that evening, they received a call from their believer friend that his grandfather had passed away. Even though they were sad for his death, they are happy that he died in faith.

We continue to receive stories of hope, obedience and salvation like these daily. Our prayer is for the Lord to continue to multiply disciples in the **131 countries** we are currently working in and grow this movement until the gospel has reached every tribe, tongue and nation. We are grateful for the new doors He has opened to us and continues to open through our Emergency Relief. By loving God and loving people through these means, **we are seeing communities transformed through Jesus Christ.** We invite you to join the movement by visiting us at www.big.life/give and select Disaster Relief from the drop down menu. If you prefer to donate by check, please note your preference of Disaster Relief on the memo line.

Thank you for your prayers and support. We couldn't do this without you.

Gratefully,

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