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GLOBAL SIGN LANGUAGES TEAM MEETING IN COLOMBIA

It was such a blessing and joy to serve the staff of the Global Sign Languages Team (GSLT) by being on the planning committee for our meetings. It was a success! Many of the staff were able to attend in-person. It was a joy to meet those who we've only met online due to COVID and re-connect with others!

I enjoyed being on the worship team signing the songs with another Deaf colleague. We were able to visit a Deaf church, the Deaf school, and the Colombian Sign Language Bible Translation Team during our free time in Bogota. Thank you to those of you who have prayed for and with me for these meetings.



It was amazing to see how the Lord worked in and among us as the planning team worked together. Our theme for the week was taken from Psalm 52:8-9, part of which says: **"But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God."**



We had a visual tree that we set up and added a part to each day to create a complete tree on the last day.



- **ROOTS** – connected to our source of life, Christ
- **BRANCHES** – connected to each other
- **FLOWERS** – who we are, our individual gifts and skills
- **FRUIT** – harvest of God's vision

We are **rooted** in Christ who is the source of our life. Our **branches** are connected to Christ and we are connected to each other in unity with Christ. We **bloom** by serving each other with our individual gifts that we contribute to the body of Christ. This then creates a **harvest** of God's vision as we draw others to Him as we continue to abide in Him. **If we remove Christ who is our source of life, who connects us and is our source of unity, then we can do nothing worthwhile.**



Pray for us as we continue to support and work with Deaf teams in our respective locations as they continue to translate God's Word into their sign languages to reach their communities for Christ. **Pray** for us as we do our part to help the Deaf communities engage with the translated Word in their languages as they do evangelism and discipleship. **Pray** that they would know how to apply it to their lives and grow in their relationships with Him and with each other in various areas of life.

SCRIPTURE ENGAGEMENT

Over the past few years, opportunities for Scripture Engagement have come my way but now I will possibly receive training.

What is Scripture Engagement? It is teaching Deaf people how to use the translated sign language Scriptures in their communities. They can use the Scriptures in evangelism, discipleship, sermons, worship, testimonies, daily application and more!

What will my time learning about Scripture Engagement look like?

I will be looking for ways to learn how to do this by attending workshops and meetings focusing on Scripture Engagement as opportunities come my way. This will be an asset for me as I continue to interact and spend time with the Deaf here in Romania and in Asia.

Here are some of the things I am hoping to do with this new knowledge:

- Support the Romanian Sign Language Bible Translation team in collecting stories of how God's translated Word is impacting the lives of Deaf people in their community
- Support Deaf woman leaders from DOOR's 2-by-2 teams in Asia by sharing topics as requested using chronological Bible passages translated into their sign languages
- Support the local Deaf community in learning more about Scripture. My focus would be on collaborating with a local Deaf woman to find ways to encourage Deaf women from the local community
- Support the Deaf church in teaching children to learn more about the Bible

Can you pray for the Lord to provide a Scripture Engagement mentor for me? A mentor will assist, guide, and work with me to achieve my goals to get God's Word out in Deaf communities. I want to help them learn how to use the Bible, how to engage with it and how to apply it to their lives and share it with other Deaf.



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