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TRIPURA, THE HIMALAYAS

“The final session was in Palace Compound, thy recent China conference message from Joshua (chapter 22) was conveyed and many among the leaders were ministered. They were reproved and exhorted not to rest like the two and a half tribes until the other brethren have inherited their portions of blessings. It was apt for the brethren at Palace Compound, even as they have been blessed the most by the visits of the missionaries. Terah (previously Satyalal) Debbarma, the eldest uncle of David and the Secretary of St. Peter School, said, ‘... *All these days I never wanted to admit that presiding pastor is that Elijah, about whom Christ and the prophets prophesied. But this time, through the series of messages conveyed by David Debbarma, I feel fully convicted that our ministry is indeed very special and that Elijah Thomas Chacko is that Elijah, who restores all things.*’ Ram Debbarma said, ‘*Apart from the blessings that came via the messages, the singing of the psalms was made more joyful and experimental by the help of the Spirit of God more than ever before. Thanks to the heart touching voice and leading of Benaiah.*’ Esther Debbarma, the younger daughter of our beloved elder Berachiah Debbarma (commonly known as BC) was unusually liberated. She is usually reserved, and does not like to follow the brethren, especially if the meetings are in other churches other than Takarjala. But this time, she followed the brethren to other churches as well, in order to listen to thy messages. She was ministered and blessed. David Debbarma's mother, Anna Debbarma, said, ‘*Now I don't regret that my son is not working as a pilot. His calling is different. Every time he stands behind the pulpit and preach pastor's messages, the Spirit of God helps him to speak things that minister to us. I feel like following him wherever he goes.*’ Though there were no formal response sessions, the above were said in casual fellowship seasons after the meetings. Thank God for the few brethren from other churches that importunately travelled every evening to join us in Takarjala. We are thankful to God for allowing us to enjoy such beautiful moments under thy ministry, facilitated by the conveyances of thy messages. To sum up, we felt that many were ministered and felt convicted of thy calling and doctrines by the work of the Spirit of God. Fear was ministered, even as we were made to understand the times that we are living in. Thank thee. Shalom!” *Reported by David Debbarma and Benaiah Debbarma, on their few days visit to Tripura (especially Takarjala Church and St. Peter School), Part 5 (final), Tripura; 18 April*