



Stories of Renewal

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Grateful Missionaries

- ◇ What a great team. You all were instrumental in my healing journey. Thank you so much to all of you for what you have done in my life. All glory to God! Sallee has been a great pastoral care person in my life. You all have loved and encouraged me. Thank you!
- ◇ From a sensitive country—I'll never be the same—and you've each had such an awesome and unique part in that.
- ◇ From an island country -The MRAP team has been like a breath of fresh air to encourage and bring wonderful tools and new ideas for coping and overcoming to us as missionaries.

A Missionary from Siberia Writes

Missionary Renewal is God's gift of missionaries to missionaries. It would be easy to categorize their stateside base as "not really being missions." What a mistake! There is far too much fruit seen on foreign fields because of Missionary Renewal's specific missionary calling. They are missionaries, they understand missionaries, and they pour life back into missionaries.

After an extended, devastating illness, I fell into a deep hole of depression. I did not know a Christian could feel the hopelessness and despondency I experienced. I felt destroyed physically, spiritually, and emotionally. I knew I was finished. When I went to Missionary Renewal, I was certain they

would take one look at me and agree that I was beyond help, but instead they came alongside to help the process of my slow adjustment back to life and eventually to the foreign field of my calling.

I will never forget the huge weight lifted from me as team members began to identify with and validate the painful place I was in. They had the patience, contacts, and personal experience to let me know I was far from isolated. Their endless supply of resources and favor with every kind of professional—practical, physical, spiritual—was an incredible gift in itself. And I know the MRAP Missionaries were God's tool of life and healing to this missionary. Thank you, Missionary Renewal!

A Missionary from Northwest Eurasia Sends Thanks

Where do I begin?

God has ordered and directed our lives and brought us to MRAP. This process was long, painful and exhausting... it brought healing, restoration and hope!

Thank you for demonstrating AGAPE in all that you said and did during our stay. Thank you for encouraging and affirming us time and time again. Thank you for strong words of correction when needed.

Jack, it was obvious that you cared and you believed God could restore us and use our lives once again for

His glory.

We look forward to sharing more victories in the future, and God's love heals! God doesn't waste pain! God is not finished with me! God writes the last chapter!

Our desire is to continue on this life path of health and peace, knowing God is with us and FOR us.

Thank you for obeying the Father in beginning this ministry—MRAP and MRI.

Healing for Family of Northwest Eurasia

How does one say “thank you” for all that you have done for our son and our family as a whole? Your time and talents are much appreciated and are a blessing!!

What is exciting is when you say or do something and stop yourself and think, “Hey—that was something I (we) learned at MRAP!”

The time with you—your wisdom and guidance—was a gift for our family.

We love being back on the field. But the best is hearing the joy back in our son’s voice and heart!

Missionaries to Thailand Experience Healing

Each of you has ministered to us in your own unique way. Thank you for your sincerity in the midst of our pain.

When we came to you, we were very uncertain of our future as missionaries; our lives were hanging in the balance.

We are so very grateful for your heart, vision and passion to see us healed and healthy, productive in the field of ministry. Your kindness, gentleness and support has meant so much to us. You have been a tremendous blessing to our lives. We can only express our gratitude to each of you.

Thank you to you all!

Northwest Pastor Forever Grateful

God has been so good and we are reaping the rewards of His love, His forgiveness, and His mercy as we continue in ministry here. By staying and working here in the same small town, we have been able to experience forgiveness, healing and restoration. We are forever grateful to Pastor Jack and Larry for the countless hours they spent picking up the pieces and putting us back together again.

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Missionary Renewal Asia Pacific and Ministry Resources International is to enhance the life quality, effectiveness and longevity of vocational ministry personnel.

Missionary Sees a Real Change

We came to the states on medical leave, which I thought was mainly for my husband, due to his burnout and possible ADHD. I didn’t realize I’d be getting help with my needs, too. MRAP has given me many coping skills and tools to work with. The biggest and most important thing that we dealt with was communication skills. Since my husband has been on medication, so much has changed. He can actually concentrate on what I have to say without thinking about something else. He is beginning to listen to me for the first time in 28 years.

Coming to the states has helped me bond closer to my parents and sister. We’ve been able to help our son with his struggles. We’ve been blessed to see our new granddaughter born and hopefully our next grandchild.

I’ve had medical problems taken care of.

God always has perfect timing.

Due to the fact we’ve been in missions, we’ve actually had resources to help us. I see such a change in my husband and am so happy for all the time and effort to help that the team put into us. I praise God for the MRAP team!

When we left the field for furlough, there was no glint in my wife’s eyes as before. Now that sparkle is back, and so is our joy for ministry.

We highly recommend MRAP!

Godly Counsel Recommended

I went to counseling in college, and am again seeing a Christian counselor who understands and is helping me gain tools to deal with the struggles of life and ministry. I feel extremely blessed to have that support. My counselor challenges me to meditate on the truth of God’s Word more deeply and relentlessly, and I highly recommend counseling with a Christ-following counselor. Forget the stigmas—it is an incredible help.