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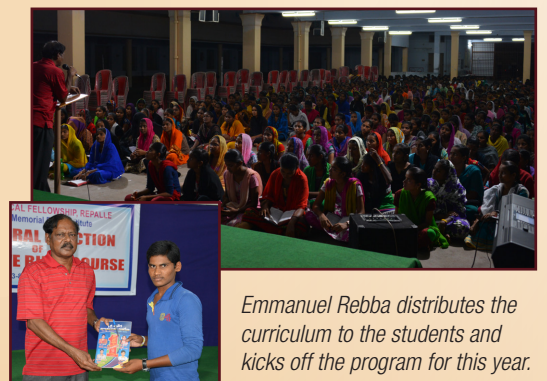
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Golf Outing Success The 7th IREF Annual Golf Outing was such a wonderful blessing and great success this year. On July 28th, many loyal partners of IREF participated in the 2018 Golf Outing to raise support for the children and communities of Andhra Pradesh, India. God is continually aligning faithful stewards who bless the ministry of IREF through contributions of time and money. 100% of all funds raised at the Golf Outing will go to support the children and communities served by IREF. We wish blessings upon all those individuals who helped facilitate this event and for those individuals who decided to support IREF at this event. The mission of IREF is possible because of events like the annual Golf Outing and our hope is to see more people attend in years to come. The IREF board members would like to extend their appreciation to everyone who contributed silent auction items, time to set up for the event and all who financially contributed to this event to support the mission of IREF. May the Glory be to God for allowing this event to be such a blessing of fun and fellowship for all who attended and may God bless everyone who sacrificed in order to ensure this event happened.



Bible College Classes Begin In 2010, IREF started an intensive Bible training course as an elective subject for IREF students, with the goal of them being missionaries to their native villages. This year, the course kicked off on August 3rd, with over 280 students enrolled in the program. We praise God for moving among these young people who voluntarily signed up for this course. May their knowledge and growth in the Word bring many to salvation as these young students carry the Good News back to their respective families and villages.



Emmanuel Rebba distributes the curriculum to the students and kicks off the program for this year.



IREF Believers' Retreat serves up hope to students, staff and pastors in 2018. This retreat is held every year to encourage and cultivate the Word among those who have become new believers during the January and February Youth Conference and Gospel Meetings. IREF evangelists, Bible ladies, and staff prayed and fasted for the Believer's Retreat every week during the summer (March-June) leading up to the retreat.

The Believer's Retreat is a small little seed that was sown over 20 years ago to bring all of the new believers back to IREF after the January Youth Conference and Gospel meetings and also to invite many people from the village meetings that IREF pastors hold in their local areas. This time is meant to encourage them in their new found faith. It's amazing to see how God has continued to be faithful in bringing more and more people to Him each year.

Emmanuel and John Rebba; Tre Moore and Pastor Todd Brown were the keynote speakers at this event this year.

During this time each year many students find hope that God will prosper them through their schoolwork and provide them with a future. Staff members find strength

to educate and mentor a student body comprised of many poor and orphaned pupils who require higher levels of encouragement to succeed. Evangelists support the Believers' Retreat event and take the message back to their communities they serve locally.

Some attendees at the conference heard the Gospel for the first time - 22 people gave their lives to Christ by taking baptism! They were also provided with their own Bible to begin building a lasting relationship with the one true God. Evening devotions are filled with the testimonies of many students on what they learned throughout the retreat.

Please pray the Lord keeps these students and staff always growing in Christ. Please keep the new believers in your prayers as they continue their walk with Christ. Many are often persecuted by family members or even thrown out of their homes/villages for their new faith. Thank you to everyone who prayed diligently for this event to provide hope and IREF is truly grateful for your support.

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Emmanuel Rebba translates for Tre Moore.



Pastor Todd Brown travelled from Pennsylvania to participate in this year's Believer's Retreat.



John Rebba shared the Gospel with the help of IREF Pastor K. Lawrence as the translator.



New students and old students pour into the IREF Repalle Evangelical Church to kick off the annual Believers' Retreat.



New believers made the commitment of faith through baptism at the end of the Believers' Retreat.

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Prayer Requests and Praise

- Please pray for IREF teachers and staff as they work diligently each day to make a positive impact in the lives of the children at IREF.
- Please pray for the strength and prosperity of our supporting churches, businesses and sponsors
- Please pray as IREF is recruiting team members to join the 2018 missions team. If you are interested in traveling to IREF to serve, please contact us at info@irefusa.org.