You will be MY Witnesses!

". . . you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." – Acts 1:8b

Jesus' command to his followers from Acts 1:8 to go to the ends of the earth is being fulfilled today by those pictured at left. Dirke (4th from back right) had the privilege to minister to 28 of Cru's global leaders who are responsible for Cru's executive and national team ministry effectiveness and team functioning.

These global leaders gathered in Johannesburg, South Africa (May 30-June 3rd). At right, Dirke is leading one of the sessions. It was a rich experience to hear what God is doing around the world and to work with and help these godly committed followers of Christ. Our prayer times were great as prayers would be offered in French, Arabic, Russian, Chinese and English just to name a few.

TAKING BACK WITCH DOCTOR TERRITORY (one story of how our ministries are a witness to the ends of the earth for Christ)

A former Ethiopian witch doctor had been greatly feared. He was the go-between with the spirit world and the people in the village of Eduka. But then Bedada, a trainee from our church-planting training led by Belay, an Ethiopian staff member visited homes in the village. Bedada prayed for the sick. He showed the Jesus Film (story of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke) and many people responded. Within two years 145 people met regularly and then they planted a daughter church. The witch doctor came to faith in Christ. When asked, "Who is Jesus to you now?" His craggy face wrinkled into a smile. "Jesus is my Savior!"

The people who once feared the witch doctor now worship the Lord Jesus side by side. They are now free from bondage of spirits. They are one family in Christ. One of the church leaders explained, "We have many witch doctors around our area. We are praying to cast out demons and proclaim the Gospel that brings freedom to people. There are now 32 churches in 30 villages of the Adama district in Ethiopia through our "Multiplying Churches and Communities (MC²) ministry which is operating with great effectiveness in over one hundred countries.



PRAY FOR DIRKE as he is in Ft. Collins, CO till June 28th leading biblical training to Cru's 200 new missionary staff. **PRAY FOR LORNA** that God raises up more mentors for athletes, donors for the Academy and the right property to build on.

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