

Newsletter August, B-Å Svensson Talks About Exciting Events In Asia!

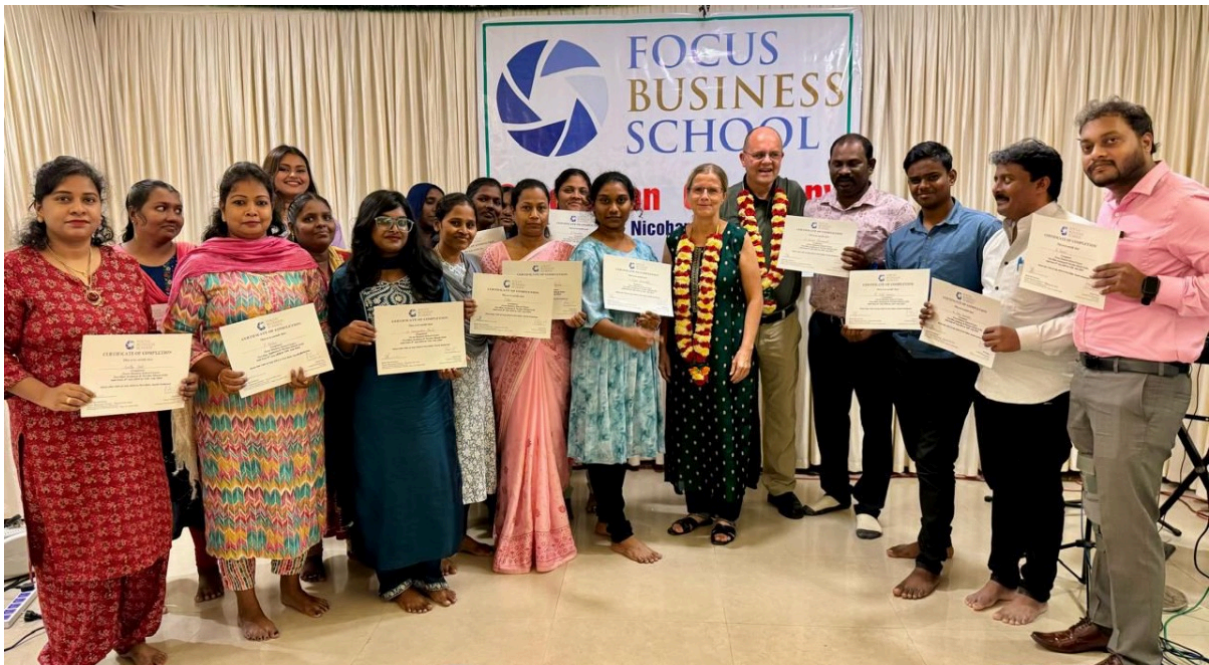
Dear Mission Friend!

This month, we received an encouraging message from our missionaries, B-Å and Annika Svensson, who have been living in Sri Lanka since 2016:

After spending some time in Sweden, including dealing with my mother's passing and funeral, Annika and I are now back on the mission field. We traveled almost immediately to Port Blair in the Andaman Islands, an archipelago of 570 islands, 40 of which are inhabited. It is located between India and Thailand in the Indian Ocean.

Here, we trained an FBS class with 18 students, 3–4 of whom were potential new teachers. This was the first class conducted in Hindi, opening up exciting connections to many places in India. We are exploring several business opportunities, such as organizing tours here through our travel agency. We then concluded the Paalam School's FBS class with 16–17-year-olds in Colombo, Sri Lanka, who had completed 24 basic FBS lessons during the spring. It's wonderful to see young people with dreams and visions! We plan to do this every year with the older students. Paalam doesn't just release students after school but ensures they learn a job in collaboration with vocational schools.

The online class that started in April ended in July with 15 students who completed it. Most were from Pakistan, including several pastors who already want to start schools in their hometowns. Thanks to the translation of the material into Urdu, they can now take the course in their own language. We are following up with all former students to see how we can support them and how they can help each other through networking and mentoring.



Some time ago, we met a teacher whose son had been diagnosed with the first stage of leukemia. We prayed for him. That day, we spoke on the topic of forgiveness and encouraged everyone to forgive, even if their feelings didn't confirm the decision. She shared that she found it very difficult to forgive but decided to follow the encouragement. Within three weeks, God completely healed the boy. The doctor said after the last examination of

the boy, "You should listen to this woman and the God she worships because this is a miracle!" She was certain that forgiveness was one of the keys to what God had done.

We have many open doors, and there is a need for you on the mission field! You can make a difference in many ways. Take the chance and a few steps in faith, follow your heart! Being both an entrepreneur and a missionary is life itself, and they are two sides of the same coin.

Feel free to visit us in Sri Lanka! Soon, new online classes will begin, including a class for young entrepreneurs that we believe God wants to speak to.



Prayer requests:

- Pray for anointing over the work
- For next year's efforts in India
- That the work in Cambodia will break through
- That God will provide more coworkers so we can meet the demand
- That the new translation into Ukrainian will go smoothly

God's blessing!

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