

## Mission Trip to Kolkata, India, 10/6-13/2011



Grace Ling Liang Church



Youth Summer Camp



Church Board & Team Members



Elder Paul Lam



Rev. Moses Mok



Deacon Dave Chan



Ling Liang School



Pastor Kuothai Chiang



Youth

Rev. Moses Mok (President of LLWWEMA), Elder Paul Lam and Deacon David Chan (both from Torrance Bread of Life Church), visited with 2 Ling Liang Churches and spoke at the youth summer camp in Kolkata, India. It was wonderful to see 2 large Ling Liang Churches and 2 large Ling Liang schools in the city. They were founded by Rev. Dr. T.D. Lamb sixty years ago, and are now under the care of Pastor Kuothai Chiang. One school has 1500 students. The other school has 1300 students. In the past most of the students were Chinese. Now most of the students are Indian. Being born in India, Pastor Kuothai conducts

morning services in schools every morning. He is doing a great ministry with the youth of Chinese and India descent.

The churches used to have hundreds of people attending Sunday schools and Sunday worship services. But now the Sunday worship service for both churches has around 50 people. This is because of the Indian government's discriminatory practice against the Chinese leather goods business. Most of the Chinese either changed their business to restaurants or left Kolkata for Canada, Taiwan and Hong Kong. Five Chinese language schools thriving at one time were all shut down one by one. There are still around 1,000 Chinese in Kolkata. They are Hakka people, but are able to understand and speak Mandarin. The combined church board requested that more mission teams be sent to Kolkata to minister to the remaining Chinese on short term or medium term basis.

The attendance at the youth camp was around 60. Six of the youth accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. The Vacation Bible School for children was going on at the same time. The attendance was around 60. The youth and the children are all very healthy, energetic, and happy. They know and love music. Pastor Kuothai and local ministers ministered to them well.