



LUCKNOW TEEN CHALLENGE DRUG REHABILITATION MINISTRY -NORTH INDIA

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Beginning of Lucknow Teen Challenge

Dr. Abraham Varghese a medical doctor had been on drug abuse for eight years had a radical encounter with the Lord Jesus in 1988 in Ludhiana and was born-again, baptized, studied four years in Central Bible College, New Delhi. God gave him a burden compassion for the lost drug abusers, alcoholics and youth with personality disorders founded the Lucknow Teen Challenge Drug Rehabilitation centre on 8th July 1996 to give them 24 hour residential rehabilitation and regeneration program.

It is shocking yet true that the major cities of North India have 3.5 million substance abusers and Lucknow

city has 22,000 registered drug addicts.

Lucknow Teen Challenge has the vision to reach out to these lost ones with the love of Christ to bring healing, health and wholeness in body, soul & spirit.



We are in the process of establishing a 100 bedded rehabilitation centre with 20 staff in a 15 acre facility in Lucknow, North India.



Drug Addicts

Alcoholics

Substance Abusers

There is a Home For you in Lucknow.

There is Hope for you in Christ Jesus

Lucknow Teen Challenge is a charitable, non-profitable society registered under Society Act 1860 (regd No.2982) reaching out to drug addicts, alcoholics and youth with personality disorders.

Lucknow Teen Challenge believes chronic substance abuse is primarily a spiritual problem. The real problem is the perpetual growing hunger in the soul of a drug addict that is the emptiness they try to fill with pumping of narcotic drugs. They become insecure, self-destructive, manipulative and betray the trust of parents, spouses, children and employers. We believe Jesus is the total cure for total person. Our vision is to reach out to these lost ones with the Love of Christ to bring health, healing and wholeness in Body, soul and spirit.

Graduate (former drug addict) Testimony of Madan Kadaka

I was born in a orthodox hindu family in Nepal. At the age of 10, I started experimenting with tobacco and cigarettes. Initially, it was out of curiosity but slowly it became a habit.

When I was 14 yrs old, I started drinking country alcohol and Corex cough syrup then switched on injecting morphine along with chasing heroin. When my parents came to know about my drug abused life style, they hated, rejected and sent me out of my home and I was known as a mainline heroin addict in Dhangadi in Nepal.

In the year 1999, I left my city and went to my native place

to start a business with the help of my elder brother. There I met my future wife Shanu and I married her –two daughters were born. The perpetual emptiness, hopelessness, rejection forced me to take drugs regularly to satisfy the insistant craving. Then in the year 2000, we heard about Dr Abraham Varghese, Director of Lucknow Teen Challenge from India visiting our city in Nepal for a medical camp. He physically examined me and gave me an insight for a higher purpose in life. I was brought by father to india and was admitted in luck now Teen Challenge-the initial one month was very difficult but the prayer, word of God and presence of God made me

stay in the centre. Dr.A. Varghese shared the gospel of Lord Jesus and His redemptive -sanctifying power of the cross. I repented and accepted Jesus Christ as my saviour and Lord & was baptized on 24th

October -2004. My wife and children came to know the Lord and became believers, came from Nepal to Lucknow, living with me in the campus serving the Lord as the Manager of Lucknow Teen Challenge



Graduate (former drug addict) Testimony of Stephen Philip

I was born on 7th August, 1978 in a nominal Christian family. My father was an alcoholic but my mother had been a God fearing woman. Because of my father's addiction and behavior, she was worried about my future. In my initial days at school I was an excellent student. But slowly I got involved in bad company. At the age of 14, while I was growing up, out of curiosity I started drinking alcohol, and was later introduced to marijuana and tablets. In the beginning, I enjoyed having drugs. But gradually, I realized I was

hooked into it and there was no way out. My life became hopeless. Later my mother came to know about my addiction. She was shattered. I was living for drinking alcohol.

Those days a servant of God Pastor Titus used to visit my home to pray for me. He told my mother about Lucknow Teen Challenge. And the I was sent to Lucknow Teen Challenge on 23rd November 2004. In Lucknow Teen challenge, God started working in my life. I came to know about the love of Jesus Christ through Dr Varghese and other staff. After 4 months stay, I surrendered my life to Jesus. On 31st May 2005, I took water baptism. After 10 days of water baptism I was baptized with

the Holy Spirit. My life was completely trans-formed, God spoke to me to study in Bible college. I went to Southern Asia Bible College for my Masters in Divinity.

On 8th March 2009, I got graduated from the College. On 27th December 2009, while I was still studying in Bible college God blessed me with a wonderful life partner and blessed me with a beautiful daughter and a son.

Now, I am ministering as a Program director in Lucknow Teen Challenge.





FORMER DRUG ADDICTS IN BIBLE COLLEGES

RESULTS OF THIS MINISTRY FOR YOUR PRAYER

- 127 former drug addicts got saved, baptized and living consistent Christian lives –72 are from non Christian families
- 33 former drug addicts went to Bible colleges.
- 14 of them became pastors pioneered churches in North India and Nepal
- 5 of the former drug addicts are working in Lucknow Teen challenge as staff
- 16 of them got job in private organization
- 7 of them are studying in bible colleges presently
- 27 drug addicts are in rehabilitation program

you can be a partner in this mission

- PRAY DAILY FOR THIS MINISTRY
- SUPPORT THE CENTRE WITH \$100 EVERY MONTH.
- SPONSOR A FORMER DRUG ADDICT STUDYING IN THE BIBLE COLLEGE WITH \$50 PER MONTH.
- SPONSOR A DRUG –ADDICT IN REHABILITATION PROGRAM WITH \$75 PER MONTH.
- FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN BUILDING A 100 BEDDED REHABILITATION CENTRE IN LUCKNOW INDIA.

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