Subject: Medical team returns to IREF! \*

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It has been three years since a medical team came to IREF. But last month, fifteen medical professionals from Scotland and the United States traveled to IREF to provide medical care for IREF students and villagers. The clinic ran simultaneously with the IREF Youth Conference.

The medical clinic included a health examination from licensed doctors and nurses, pharmacy, skin care, and dental care. Overall, the team provided quality medical care for 500+ IREF students and 284 villagers!

Here are a few highlights!

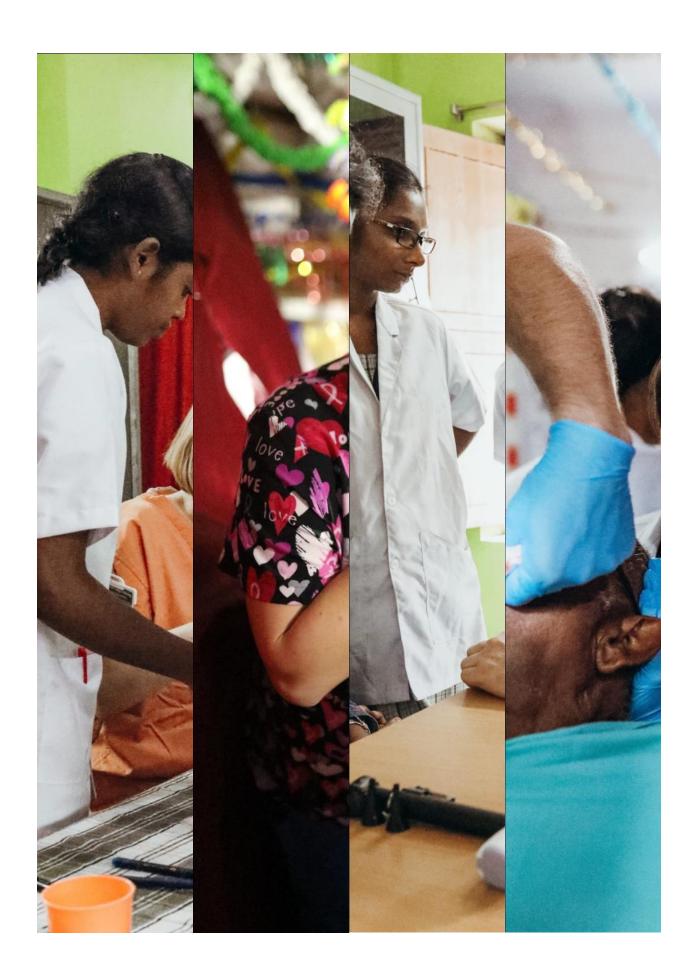
### **Education for IREF Nursing students**

The medical team did a great job of educating and encouraging the students. The clinic is the highlight of the year for the IREF students! It provides hands on training to practice English, ask questions, and help patients.

The nursing students play a big role in the clinic as they translate and communicate needs between the patient and medical professional.

"This medical clinic is not possible without collaboration. The nursing students couldn't do it without us and we couldn't do it without the IREF nursing students."

- Jennifer, Pharmacy



#### **Holistic Care**

The medical clinics are one example of IREF's holistic approach to ministry. The balance of physical and spiritual care was evident throughout the trip.

The medical clinic ran simultaneously with the IREF Youth Conference. While some team members were pulling teeth at the clinic, others were preaching God's Word at the conference!

The theme for the Youth Conference was "El Roi: The God who sees". Throughout the conference, 42 students dedicated their life to Jesus and received baptism.

Pictured: Pastor Jess exhorting new believers before baptism at the Krishna River.



# Supporting local pastors with medical camps

IREF was recently introduced to a pastor named Ravi Kumar. Ravi introduced us to a village only 10 minutes from the main campus. In 40 years, IREF never knew of this impoverished community!

There are 80 homes in the village. When Pastor Ravi first arrived 10 years ago only 3 homes believed in Christ. Today, 30 of the 80 families have come to Christ!

Although Ravi Kumar is not an IREF staff member or pastor, IREF was thrilled to provide a medical clinic for his community.

Pictured: Dee Rebba introducing team members to Ravi Kumar.



## **Prayer Request - Gospel Meetings**

Please join us in prayer for the IREF Gospel Meetings. The meetings are taking place right now! They started on Thursday, February 2 and will end on Sunday, February 5.

Thousands of people are hearing the gospel message for the first time this weekend.

Please be praying!





## Interesting in going to IREF?

It is a joy to re-launch IREF mission trips and we hope that all of you can make the journey to India. Please email our team at <a href="mailto:info@irefusa.org">info@irefusa.org</a> if you are interested in coming to IREF.



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