

## Gord Martin's Words of Farewell – June 2022

### Saying "yes" can take you a long way!

I said yes to God 30 years ago, to a persistent nudging, that so much more could be done if we learned to work together. Although progress was slow and sometimes discouraging in the early days, we have so much to praise God for! It has been a great privilege to make friends with so many fellow-soldiers for the kingdom of God from coast to coast.

One of my longings has been that we would have our own illustrative, living stories, of God at work, and not have to rely on sermon illustration stories from previous generations or other countries. That has come to pass. If I have a chance to talk with any of you, it won't be long before I begin to tell you stories of God at work, not years ago, but right now. In fact, this morning:

- I spoke with church planter Omid Azgomi, about their first ever Persian in-person church service in Ottawa, where there are 10,000 Persians, and no Persian church. He said, one of you people gave a testimony of being healed from cancer. Another couple who attended, had never been in a church in their whole lives!
- I had the privilege of praying with six brothers in Christ. We had been meeting every Friday morning for two years on zoom to pray for the deliverance of our friend and brother Indy in Burma. He has been in great danger from Covid-19, from civil war and from serious health issues. This past Monday he escaped from Burma to India! This morning's prayer meeting was very different from any other prayer meeting we've had in two years!

On June 30<sup>th</sup> I will be wrapping up my formal role with Vision Ministries Canada but will continue on active, volunteer basis. (No good at retiring!)

I have written my story in some detail in a book called ***Doing it Afraid***, available at Amazon or Kindle - or from me [gord1906@gmail.com](mailto:gord1906@gmail.com)

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