

## What is a Leadership Training Seminar (LTS)?

An LTS is designed to encourage and train indigenous missionaries and pastors in their home country. Generally, each LTS is held over a three-to five-day period, and is facilitated by a short-term team of pastors, teachers, and laypeople (or “vision teams”).

AIM, in collaboration with local indigenous ministries, works to locate areas where training and encouragement are most needed. Usually, 50 to 200 representatives from local ministries and churches are invited to attend an LTS. Speakers address topics relevant to both the particular area’s needs as well as general ministry encouragement.

## Who We Are...

*Advancing Indigenous Missions (AIM) is a Canadian registered organization established to encourage, train, and support indigenous Christian church pastors and leaders to minister in their local communities.*



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To prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.  
Ephesians 4:12



Ladies leading the singing at a Leadership Training Seminar in India.



The red area makes up the “10-40 Window.”  
(source: [www.1040window.org](http://www.1040window.org).)

## Where do LTS’s take place?

AIM conducts Leadership Training Seminars (LTS’s) most often in the “10-40 Window.” As seen in the map above, the 10-40 window reaches from 10°-40° North of the equator, and stretches from North Africa to China. Most of the world’s unreached people groups are located in these regions of the world.

In partnership with Advancing Native Missions (ANM) in Virginia, USA, we have held over 80 conferences ministering to a total of 13,000 indigenous missionaries. Specifically, seminars have been held in countries such as India, Myanmar, Bangladesh, and Uganda.

## What part can I play in an LTS?

### 1. Go:

As part of a team, you can travel into countries like India, Nepal, and Bangladesh. Whether you take part in the teaching or adopt more of a support role, both roles are needed. The indigenous missionaries often work and live in challenging circumstances where they receive minimal spiritual nourishment. Even a little encouragement can go a long way in (1) bolstering the missionaries’ resolve to reach their fellow countrymen for Christ and (2) ease the pressure of relentless opposition that many missionaries face on a daily basis.

### 2. Give:

The approximate cost of an LTS for 100 indigenous missionaries is \$4,500. AIM



David Robbins, President of AIM,  
teaching at an LTS in India.



A group of missionaries who took part in an LTS in Nepal.

also needs individuals to contribute money toward the gifts for the LTS attendees. At past LTS’s, AIM has given gifts such as (1) Bibles and books – both which are often difficult to obtain, (2) basic necessities like soap, salt, and sugar, and (3) animals (pigs, goats, and/or chickens) for missionaries to create and sustain a livelihood for themselves and their families.

### 3. Pray:

Please pray for the indigenous missionaries who attend the LTS’s. Also pray for those teaching at the LTS’s: for wisdom about what part of the Bible to teach on, for strength as they teach for long hours, and for health as they encounter a new context of life (climate, food, etc.).