**Research on Roles of Women in CPM**

I did some research on women in CPM with leaders from multiple movements and found the following list of roles that women play in movements. Answers from surveys with people involved in CPMs about the Roles played by Women

* “every role”
* “all capacities”
* “Witnessing, teaching, vision casting, training, discipling, shepherding.”
* “Coaching rapidly multiplying streams of reproducing churches.”
* “Spreader of the gospel”
* “Leader of Discovery Groups”
* “Teacher of stories”
* “Preacher”
* “Searcher of People of Peace”
* “Finder of Pops”
* “Starting groups”
* “Material/resource preparation”
* “Organizational/logistical pieces”
* “Teaching groups to facilitate themselves”
* “Training and equipping leaders”
* “our best church planter is a woman!” (Re: a single grandmother in her 50’s among Latinos)
* “Developing generational streams”
* “Encouragers”
* “Baptizer of women”
* “Pray-er for other women”
* “Strategizer, organizer”
* “Leader of a significant CP organization in South Asia is led by women”

Roles women played in Miraculous Movements book:

* Prayer warrior (organized prayer camp, preparing new areas, began intercessory teams, known as prayer warriors)
* coach
* mentor
* disciple-maker
* evangelist
* church planter
* PoP (women can bring gospel into their communities like Samaritan woman)
* Story teller
* Being raised from the dead! (A chief’s wife who had died)

Other important nuggets from my surveys:

* Husband and Wife teams that work together make a strong contribution to CPM. (The husband has to support his wife in being involved. One example of a woman that was very involved as a single but then when she got married she stopped being involved and focuses on the home).
* The Lord is using various types of teams: Husband-Wife, teams of 2 men, teams of 2 women (single or married).
* There are very effective single women in CPM (both expat and national).
* Expats can be involved. It depends on your context how much they can be directly involved. In Africa, among Fulani: One expat woman was very involved when she was single (she led a Fulani man to faith and disciple him and he led hundreds of Fulani to faith and there are hundreds of churches.)
* Most places expats—male or female—play important roles in vision casting, training and coaching
* The way an expat woman is involved correlates to her gifts as well as the cultural context.
* Globally almost always more women come to faith than men.
* Key qualities in effective CP-ers: vision, call, faith, faithfulness, exhortation & hospitality.
* Families that are effective CPers are marked by these qualities:
  + mutual understanding of the Lords unique wiring of each person.
  + mutual support to allow each one to get out
  + encouragement for women to be involved in strategy talk (if desired)
  + culture in family of giving each other grace
  + the expectation that God wants to use both people
  + including and integrating kids them into ministry in creative ways. (DW says “if you want your children to hate Christian work, then don’t involve them in you ministry. The m’s who involve their children in the work are more likely to produce well- adjusted adult children.”
* Recognizing that there are seasons in a woman’s life: singleness, early marriage, child rearing stage, empty nest.
* “A key to CPM growth in Cambodia has been the women. Most of the evangelists and church planters are women. Women do much of the teaching as well. Men like to lead but women tend to be harder workers, more consistent...women are very open to the gospel here.”
* “Men and women complement one another...only together in Christ do we represent more accurately His body as we work together shoulder to shoulder. Women have access to many places where men cannot go. Women bring intuition, spiritual eyes and ears in ways a bit different from most men—there is a special nurturing, mothering, gestating that women bring to spiritual endeavours that is intended by God to harmonize and synchronize with our male brothers. Scripture depicts women working alongside Jesus and the other disciples in integral ways and I believe that He intends that in these days as well.”