This last month I had the opportunity to attend IF:Gathering in Dallas, TX. At first I was hesitant to travel again and attend another conference but my mentor for many years has been speaking as well as one of my pastors and so I decided to go. The Lord definitely knew what my heart and soul needed and it was so good. On top of that, I was asked to share for a hot minute about how discipleship has impacted my walk with the Lord and what it has taught me. I didn't realize how big this platform was and to stand in front of so many women and through virtual IF platforms all over the world, I was able to share how God calls and uses us as ordinary women to do extraordinary things if we'll say yes. I've learned through discipleship that it is about spiritual multiplication and the call to make disciples means we get to impact others and ultimately, it matters. Multiplication is the best investment we can make with the limited time we have. It matters.

One of my old Hawai'i students sent me an Instagram message after this session and said this, "Wow! So powerful to see you on stage at IF today. Even though I was in Hawai'i for such a short time, you had an impact on mu life. Seriously my sign would say "Because of Jamie." I was sitting on my couch like that's my person up there. I hosted for the 2nd time in my home and I can say that it is because of the mentors like you who were walking with Jesus and invited me in. Love you and the work you do for him." It matters.

We envision Asian American movements mobilized to take our place in God's redemptive mission, and 1) seeing they have a unique place in missions history and the future of missions, 2) that they are bridge-builders - representing both the empowered and the powerless of society, and 3) they are coming together, fully surrendered, actively engaged in God's work.

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