

Leslie Neal Segraves

Leslie Neal Segraves - Bio Sheet **Christian Speaker, Mission Leader, and Author**

Leslie is an international speaker, award-winning author, and the co-founder and Executive Director of 10/40 Connections. Leslie's bright smile, biblical insight, and powerful story-telling bring both encouragement and challenge. People consistently refer to her communication style as warm, engaging and inspiring. Be prepared to have your mind and heart expanded for God's purposes, and prepare your feet to carry the message into the broken world.

Leslie desires Jesus Christ to be known and worshipped by all peoples throughout the earth. God has been developing Leslie's worldview and focus since a child and continued that work as Leslie has lived and traveled in multiple nations of the Asia and Africa.

- As an 8-year-old, Leslie wanted to smuggle Bibles into dangerous countries. "Why not?"
- As an 11-year-old, Leslie began to read her Bible through in a year. She discovered the Bible spoke of the nations over and over from Genesis to Revelation. "Hmmm... this nations stuff must be important to God!"
- As a 12-year-old, she announced to her church, "God seems to love the nations and seems to want his people to care. I want to sign up and commit to this mission with God."



- As a 21-year-old on a rooftop in South Asia, Leslie realized that God asks believers to care about the things on his heart. She chose to abandon herself into his hands.

Leslie received her Doctorate of Missiology degree from Fuller Theological Seminary, happily completing her dissertation *Kingdom Leadership Principles: Multiplying God's Laborers to Complete God's Mission*.

In 2000, she and her husband, Chad, co-founded 10/40 Connections which has served among seventy unreached people groups, rescued and restored thousands of women from trafficking, fed and educated hundreds of at-risk children, planted thousands of churches among least reached peoples, mobilized numerous U.S. teams for practical engagement on the field, developed innovative ways to spread the Good News in oppressed

and dark areas of the earth, and equipped God's people for outward-focused living.

Leslie also serves in the Lausanne Movement (begun by Billy Graham and John Stott in 1974). She and her husband serve as Senior Associates in the realm of Multiplying God's Laborers – Male and Female.

Leslie and Chad have been married for sixteen years and have four children – Joeli, Joy (with Jesus), and Eden Samuel. They are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their adopted daughter from China.

As a speaker, Leslie addresses churches, women's groups, universities, schools, home-schoolers, and more.

