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“so is my Word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.” Isaiah 55:11

Greetings to our cherished prayer and ministry partners:

We just returned from East Asia after a month of intense ministry. We leave again for El Salvador, Central America in 8 days. If we didn't need your prayer support so bad, we would wait until we returned from El Salvador to give you the report on Asia, but what the Lord's revealed will is, we cannot possibly do in our own flesh and strength. The Lord had arranged for us to do three large seminars all over the country of El Salvador with pastors and their wives. We are thankful that it is in our time zone! So please carefully pray about the specific requests listed on the last page for these **NEXT THREE WEEKS.**

AMAZING WORKING OF GOD IN EAST ASIA

BASIC INFORMATION FIRST THEN THE MORE PERSONAL ACCOUNT:

We taught 9 different groups (386 people) in primarily 3 different cities. Many of these were church leaders/pastors but many were the church members (this included some seekers who had not made the decision to trust Jesus as their Savior and Lord).

There were 17 who publically confessed that they trusted Jesus at the seminar. The majority of these were college students or young professionals. There were many other decisions to follow and obey God's Word.

Through the \$6,500 given for Bibles we were able to purchase 3,535 whole Bibles. We were approached by our coordinator with a special request to buy good study Bibles for the church leaders in his area because they have no formal training and very little Bible knowledge and cannot afford to buy a study Bible. We agreed and he bought 23 study Bibles. In total we gave 3,558 Bibles in their language. These were given through Christian leaders in several cities and 6 provinces of the country.

PERSONAL REFLECTION FROM THE LONG FLIGHT HOME OF AWESOME WORKING OF GOD!

After Jesus healed the paralytic in Galilee, this was the peoples reaction to seeing such a miraculous transformation in Luke 5: 26, *“Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, “We have seen remarkable things today.”* As I read this account, it described how the believers reacted at the end of the last Bible Seminar. It was a 2 ½ day teaching of “God's Amazing Family Plan”. As we taught in that small third floor apartment near a university, we couldn't help but sense the need for Bible teaching as every person crowded as closely as possible and, would literally cling to each word spoken. This group had been meeting about 5 years and was started by a university professor who had trusted Christ. There were many young college students, as well as older couples. We taught Friday evening for 2 ½ hours and then from 9am to 5pm on Saturday. After the Saturday teaching the professor (church leader) and his wife (not a believer) invited us to dinner. Usually we are too tired but feeling led of the Lord because the wife was not a believer, we accepted along with our interpreter. Duane shared the gospel so clearly, and we knew the Lord had planned the dinner opportunity, but she did not want to accept Christ that night (which left her believing husband with tears of loving disappointment). We prayed with her and for her. We doubted she would return the next morning for the seminar because her husband had to teach at the university and couldn't come till much later. To our surprise, she came. As Deanna taught from the Bible about respecting your husband, she began following the Bible Study material and reading the Scriptures, plus taking notes. The day before she just sat and listened with a blank expression on her face. Later that afternoon, Duane clearly shared the Gospel of Jesus and she was 1 of 2 who prayed to receive Christ. After the teaching several others gave testimony about how God had used His powerful Word to minister to each specific need. Next came the hugging, and, of course, picture taking. The spirit was so sweet that no one wanted to leave. You could tell all these loving believers had been praying for their church leader's wife for many years, and the rejoicing was great!

His will not return void

Next let us share with you a special privilege we had of celebrating a church's 4 year anniversary. There were many young people and professionals in this church. Again, it was in a high rise apartment building but the room was big (holding around 75 people). Duane was asked to share at the celebration. The pastor had been in prison for his faith and leading this group. Duane shared how we believers in the West look at them as "Heroes of Great Faith". Their spirit of spiritual hunger was so encouraging and refreshing to us. Matt. 5: 6 says, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled." On the last day of teaching, Duane clearly shared the Gospel and 10 university students prayed to receive Christ. There was so much joy! Please pray for these 10 new believers. This poem is about these modern day heroes of faith from "Voice Of The Martyrs" book. The poem is by Greg Asimakoupoulos

The Going Price

They know what it means to hold their horses or their tongues or hold their ground
when the claim they've staked for righteousness sounds foolish to the crowd.

Heroes pay whatever price the going rate requires.

The loss of their job. The loss of their reputation. The loss of their life.

But what heroes surrender they're willing to give.

That's why it's called sacrifice.

Let us share about Eric (not his real name). He is a third year college student working his way through school. He interpreted for both of us for a week. He also carried all our belongings to and from every meeting (because we both had a back problem while we were there). After the first teaching, we counseled him about a problem in his life. He was so excited about the Bible teaching seminar that he began trying to figure out how to give us more teaching time. Because most of the believers are young in the Lord, they do not know the Bible very well and it took them a long time to find all the many Bible verses we used. Their tradition is that everyone looks up the verses and reads them aloud in unison. Eric decided that if he would put every Bible verse or passage in order as they were in the Seminar material, then they could just read from the printed sheets and it would save time. He worked so hard and it took several extra pages of copied material but it really saved time and helped with their concentration level. The power point was also in their language as well as the handout. We pray the Lord will let us return to those so desirous to know more about how to live in Christ.

In city #1, where we have been many times, there is such a spirit of love between us and the believers. This is where we taught a 2 day Bible seminar with about 55 people. Then we met with 6 couples for counseling at an inexpensive hotel for two days following. This format is so effective because they already have heard so much of God's Word before we start counseling them. We want to share with you how the Lord showed Himself so strong those two days. The problems were so severe and normally it would have taken months to uncover and deal with such life effecting experiences, but because of the Lord and His wisdom, we literally saw miracles happening in the lives of His precious servants. We also were able to leave in place those who would follow up and help these in the near future. We also had the help of a spiritually mature couple, who would pray and do activities with the other couples while we did individual counseling. God provided just the right interpreters for both of us.

The co-ordinator with whom we have worked for several years decided to video two seminars and have them edited for use with other groups. Our interpreter, John, had worked with us for several years and was so good which will make the video even more effective. May the Lord use it for His Glory!



the Lord is faithful



UNEXPECTED TRIAL

Again we are humbled at the all-sufficient provision of the Lord. Upon leaving city #1 for #2, we were flying on a smaller 2 engine prop. We realized we were taking longer than scheduled to reach city #2. No one spoke English except for one other Italian passenger. It was around 9pm after we were supposed to land by 8pm, that we were handed a note which said that the airport in the city where we were to land had been closed because of flooding and we were diverted to another city which we had never heard of before. This was really unsettling to Deanna and we began to pray. God reminded her of a time when her children were small and she got lost in Dallas. Trying to console the children she told them, "Don't worry, we are not really lost, God knows exactly where we are!" And He did! The airlines put us up at an old airport hotel and we left in time the next day to arrive in city #2 to teach that evening.

In the last letter we asked you to pray 2 Thess. 3:1-3, & 5 *"Finally, brothers, pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you. And pray that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men, for not everyone has faith. But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance."* Wow! We nor you have any idea how many times, we experienced the answer to the prayers involved in this promise. This work is not easy. Duane had a bad ear infection for the first time in his life. Then he had a pinched nerve (for which he went twice to a local chiropractor—very interesting). Then Deanna had muscle spasms in her back. We won't go into the circumstances which caused these problems but suffice it to say, the Lord gave us grace and healing. We were able to keep going and teaching. He miraculously provided young Christian men to help us carry our luggage. Especially on one long train ride.

The longer we serve Him in this way, the more we realize that this is really not at all about us. It is about the Lord Jesus Christ and His will for His Kingdom. What we have to endure or experience to do His Will is of little importance, in fact, it is a privilege. The important thing is that we obey Him and that we give Him everything that we are, so that we can serve Him in an excellent way for HIS GLORY. As the Apostle Paul said in Colossians 1: 28-29, *"We proclaim Him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. To this end I labor, struggling with all His energy, which so powerfully works in me."*



PERSPECTIVES OF CHRISTIAN WISDOM LEARNED

It is not important what the place looks like where you worship!
It is not important what you have to go through as long as you do God's Will!
God's love always surrounds you wherever you are!
God does what He wants to do whether you are aware of it or not!
Our comfort should not be the most important thing to us!
God can use anyone He pleases and we are not to judge His choices!
God is in control of all circumstances, even if we do not understand or like them!

If we could tell you all the marvelous things He did on this one mission alone, it would take a book, but please know that it is not us, it is the Lord. *Psalm 115:1 And, He uses each of you to carry out the real work of prayer and obedience to what He says to you about spreading His love and Word, to a lost and hungry world. Psalm 105:1 "Give thanks to the Lord, call on His Name; make known among the nations what He has done. Sooooo.....*

PRAYER REQUEST FOR MISSION IN EL SALVADOR, CENTRAL AMERICA

Please pray as soon as you receive this letter because we only have 9 days between these two missions. We will be taking glasses, ties, and scarves on this mission. Pray for our health and our physical strength as we have this quick turnaround.

Oct. 24th Wed. We leave Oklahoma City for San Salvador, El Salvador, Central America
Oct. 25-27 Thurs.-Sat Teach first Bible Seminar in the capital, San Salvador. *Neh. 9:20a "You gave your good Spirit to instruct them."* (the last day we teach till noon)
Oct. 28th Sun. Worship and travel by vehicle to the Northeast.
Oct. 29-31-Mon.-Wed. Teach at a seminary in Santa Ana. (Wed. we teach only half day). *Psm. 22: 27-28 "All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before Him, for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations."*
Nov. 1-3 Thurs.-Sun. Worship –Travel to the other side of the country to the East and prepare to teach.
Nov. 5-7th Mon.-Wed. Teach pastors/wives Basic Bible Seminar. Some we have taught before and others will be new. Prayer verse—*James 1:22 "Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."*
Nov. 8th Thurs. Travel back to San Salvador and pack. *"The Lord will keep you from all harm—He will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.*

- Pray for the new believers in East Asia. Pray they will find a local fellowship and grow.
- Pray for the many pastors and Christians who are being persecuted daily.
- Pray for those who attended the seminars—that they will be doers of the Word.
- Thank and Praise God for the great and wonderful things he is doing in East Asia. Pray also for the Seminar videos that God will use them in a mighty way.
- Pray for the Bibles as they are distributed—*2 Tim. 3:16 "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."*

Nov. 9th Fri. Fly back to Oklahoma City.

As we close we are mindful that this is a long letter. It is actually difficult to condense and still express the scope of this ministry. We are convinced that without your prayers the spiritual depth would not be there. God is working in the lives of many people. God is full of grace and compassion. Thank each of you for every time you lift us and this ministry before the Father. You are impacting the Kingdom of God for eternity.

Trusting Jesus
Rev. Duane and Deanna Hunt

MINISTRY IN THE OUTER REGIONS

Give thanks to the Lord