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PLANTING CHURCHES IN NORTHERN TAIWAN

2008 — December

ZACHARY'S BAPTISM

We are happy to announce that another one of our children has chosen to follow the teachings of Jesus and bring the Christian message of hope and love to the world. On November 9, Zachary was baptized into Christ at a swimming pool near our home in Ankeng. Our church family took us out to eat at a restaurant in the same building and Zachary was baptized after our meal. They were witnesses of Zachary's decision and rejoiced with us as our oldest son took this new and bold step in his life. Please pray for him as he begins his journey!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We are always thankful for your support and I hope we convey that to you appropriately. At the end of each year, we look back at all the big events and one of the biggest is that we always have what we need for our ministry and our family—your faithful giving sustains both. We know that you look at the reports and talk with God about if and how you should be involved. Thanks so much for keeping us afloat while we are far away from you.

With economic uncertainties on the horizon, we find it especially encouraging to see your commitment to our family and to establishing an indigenous church planting movement in Taiwan.

May this New Year bring
new blessings and opportunities
for you and your family and friends.

Pictures of our Family, Friends, Ministry and Taiwan:

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Bethanie helping build housing frames at the National Missionary Convention in Tulsa.



Home Service Travel

We've been on the road a bit already and all is going well. We arrived safely in Joplin on November 12... Angie and the kids by plane and van from Tulsa (thanks Greg!) and Scott by flying into KC and then driving south in the BBT (see last month's newsletter for more about BBT).

We met my (Scott's) mom, dad, and grandma in KC for a day a week after getting back to the US. We've already shared with the youth at Villa Heights and Christ's Church of Oronogo and attended the National Missionary Convention in Tulsa. Following the NMC, we took a trip to see family in southern Missouri and spent Thanksgiving in Joplin with Angie's mom.

We are currently on a journey that includes St. Louis, Louisville, Indianapolis, and Iowa City and plan to arrive in Bellevue in a few days. We are thankful for safe travel and such an awesome vehicle to travel in! We hope to see you on our travels.

Baby Zi-Ying

We know that many of you have been captivated by the baby we watched in September & October. She is at The Home of God's Love and doing well. She should have an adoptive family soon and they are in for a treat! She's a sweetheart.

A Note from Team Expansion's President

Sing 'Happy Birthday' to us! In October 2008, Team Expansion was exactly 30 years old. It was October 1978 when I gathered with 7 other guys in a dorm room at the bible college I was attending. I remember the excitement of praying corporately for Uruguay, the country in South America we hoped to tackle first. But I also recall the sobering reality that, one by one, each of those 7 guys became interested in other goals. Still, the Lord was faithful. As Penny & I prayed, God soon raised up others and the rest, as they say, is history. Established in a prayer meeting, seemingly nothing could snuff out the fire we felt in our calling. Still today, prayer strengthens the calling and daily ministry of over 300 full-time workers in 42 lands. While the financial gift you send toward the work of your favorite Team Expansion missionary is essential, the moments you pause to pray for our work are spiritually empowering. And because of your partnership, new believers -- thousands of them -- pause to give praise for new life in Christ. Those are the birthdays that matter. Thank you for helping make them possible. God bless you.

Doug Lucas—Louisville, Kentucky



Taiwan Railways Administration has inaugurated its first "green" station, which will provide transportation services using state-of-the-art, eco-friendly technologies, senior administrators said yesterday. The station's old building, which was preserved in the renovation project, was built in 1903 during the Japanese colonial rule. The new "green" service complex is equipped with all kinds of eco-friendly technology that not only fully relies on natural ventilation and natural light, but also recycles rainwater and converts sunlight into electricity. To reduce the pollution caused by the station itself and its operations, it is also equipped with noise reducing units and air purifiers that can reduce the impact of the exhaust of diesel locomotives, he said, adding that the new complex also adopted an "overpass station" design that places the service areas over the rails, to reduce the area occupied. .

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