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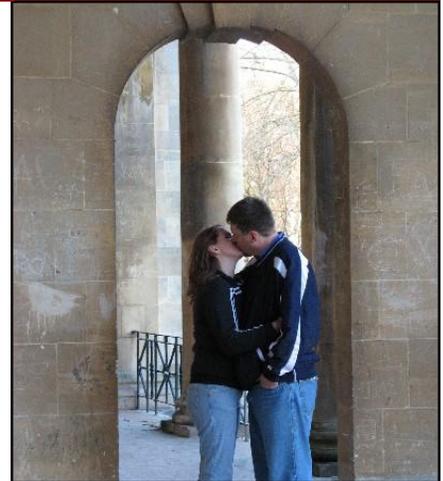
Angie and I have already crossed the Atlantic Ocean this month and, Lord willing, we'll cross the Pacific Ocean in just a few days when we head back to Taiwan.

We've been married for 17 years and have rarely gone away together since our kids joined our family and when we have gone away it has been for just a couple days. I've been wanting to take Angie on a longer trip and we finally had the chance to go. My sister and her family live north of London and we left our kids with Angie's mom in Joplin and headed off to England for almost 10 days. We visited London, Bath, Stonehenge, and some castles and sites in East Anglia near my sister's house. It has been interesting to have another family member living overseas and it was great to visit Shelby and Lance and their kids.

In February, we enjoyed making trips to visit a supporting church in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. We plan to make a trip to Edmond, Oklahoma tomorrow. These churches have been with us from the beginning (almost 10 years now) and are such an important part of the expanding work in Taiwan.

In February, the Chinese Christian Fellowship at Pittsburg State University invited us to come share at one of their meetings. Our schedule is jammed, but we couldn't pass this up! We led the group in a time of worship (which included some new songs for them), Bible study, and prayer. It was great to speak Mandarin again. The students were impressed that our kids spoke so much Mandarin, too. They all do a good job in this area. We were happy to meet so many students from Taiwan and China and look forward to meeting up with some of them when they travel back to Taiwan in the future.

These last few days will bring about many sad goodbyes. They are always hard and have never gotten easier over the years. We know them to be especially difficult for those we leave behind. Although we are sad to leave, we have things in Taiwan to also look forward to. Our parents have an especially hard time but our departure does mean that they get their houses back! We are so grateful for their hospitality, generosity, and patience as we scramble in and out of their daily lives for a few weeks at a time.



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## SOME FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ We shared with the missions committee at Christ's Church of Oronogo (near Joplin). This was the church we attended in the years before moving to Taiwan. During our visit at CCO on Sunday AM, we were surprised when Zi-Ying's aunt and cousin introduced themselves to us. Zi-ying was the baby we fostered for a few weeks before her adoption was finalized.
- ◆ Speaking of CCO, our whole family worked with Jim Wickenkamp and Mark Bond to shoot a video to use for their VBS later in the year! What a blast! Thanks guys.
- ◆ We made 2 trips to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma to visit with Cedar Ridge Christian Church. These trips are fun and encouraging for us. We even met up with a Christian brother who sells coffee equipment, which could be helpful in Taiwan!
- ◆ Angie's friend from childhood, Stephanie Reagor, used to attend Cedar Ridge church but has recently moved to Baltimore. We were happy to meet up with her and her kids during their trip back to the Midwest in February. She brought Bethanie's good friend from New Jersey, Carissa, with her and Carissa and Bethanie got to spend a few days together.
- ◆ Scott attended several main sessions and workshops during Ozark Christian College's Preaching and Teaching Convention. This was a great blessing and convenient since we were in Joplin at the time. Nice to see friends and learn together.



## A Note from Team Expansion's President

Thanks again for the support you give to make possible Team Expansion's work around the world. Through God's power and your support, we're now at work in nearly 50 nations around the globe for His glory. Meanwhile, back at our sending base in Louisville, Kentucky, the organization is poised to move onto a new 61-acre campus (on March 10th). (If you'd like to attend the dedication on March 28th, stop by [teamexpansion.org](http://teamexpansion.org) for the latest info, or drop us an email at [info@teamexpansion.org](mailto:info@teamexpansion.org) or call 800-447-0800. We'd love to welcome you! Alternatively, participate real-time over the web! (Just drop us your email address and we'll send you the instructions.) It's fitting that the first building we built is a Prayer Center. Join us in lifting it up and dedicating it to God as a new fulcrum to recruit, send, and prepare workers for the world!

And thanks again for making possible the work of your favorite Team Expansion worker!

Doug Lucas—Louisville, Kentucky



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TAIPEI (AFP) – Farmers in southern Taiwan have started to potty-train their pigs in response to a planned water pollution fee, breeders and officials said Monday. To keep their livestock from defecating into nearby rivers, a growing number of farms have established special "toilets" smeared with faeces and urine to attract the pigs -- and farmers say the results have been very encouraging. "The pig toilets on my farm help me collect about 95 percent of all pig waste, making cleaning much, much easier," Chang Chung-tou, a pig farmer in Yunlin county, told AFP. "Apart from Yunlin, we have launched trial pig toilets in Changhua county (in central Taiwan). We are evaluating the results," an official from the administration said. Taiwan has a total of about six million pigs, most of them raised on farms in the centre and the south. One in five complaints about water pollution received by the administration is about waste from livestock farms.