

# Big News

As a result of several months of prayer and investigating various opportunities, we've decided to make a big move and a big change. We haven't tried to withhold it, but we wanted to be in touch with our family and supporters personally and directly before putting it in a monthly report.

Our family is moving from Taipei to Taichung on May 21. We will move our belongings into our new place, sign the contract, and turn around and head back to Taipei to go ahead with our plans to fly back to the USA on May 24. When we return to Taiwan on July 25, we will come directly to Taichung and begin our new work.

We believe that traditional missionary methods have met with limited success and result in some significant barriers to indigenous church planting movements. We don't mean to say that we have wasted our time or not met with success. On the contrary, we are pleased with what we have been able to accomplish in Taipei in church planting and in our mission. We just want to see things move faster and be more indigenous than in the past. We are willing to take risks and make changes and try new things to see if we can find ways to get beyond some of the barriers to planting churches.

A significant barrier exists simply because we introduce ourselves as missionaries. It never fails to amaze us how quickly people are to typecast and compartmentalize us when they hear we are missionaries. In a nation with such a small percentage of Christians (~3%) there is a well developed notion of what a pastor's job is, what clothes he wears, what his level of education is, what his wife does, etc. A simple question needs to be asked: What can prevent this barrier from being erected. One possible answer? To treat Taiwan as a "creative-access" country and enter into communities as tentmakers.

I (Scott) have been offered a job as a librarian at Morrison Academy in Taichung. The job will be full-time, carry significant responsibility, and require additional education. It also allows our children to attend the school tuition-free, address some economic concerns by earning a salary, and establish our identity in our community as something other than "missionaries".

Besides trying to avoid some common barriers seen in traditional missionary work, we hope to gain a greater understanding of what is reasonable to expect from our Taiwanese church planters. We intend to use lay leaders and not professionals. This means that our church planters are teachers, salespeople, bankers, and even librarians. We are not above them on an organizational chart. We are all in this together for God's glory.

We are "all-in" regarding this new opportunity and we plan to give it our best. However, my initial contract is just for 1 year. If things go well, I expect to be offered another contract in the future but nothing is guaranteed. I'll be starting a graduate degree in Library and Information Science as soon as possible, but it may prove difficult to get accepted and into classes by this fall. We will keep you posted.

Many blessings to you all. Thanks for your ongoing support. Please don't hesitate to be in touch with us if you have any questions about this change or anything else.

## A Note from Team Expansion's President

Dear Partner in Progress,

Volunteerism is alive and well today! Every Team Expansion missionary starts as a Volunteer (raising funds equal to his or her ministry needs plus the money it will take to support the worker's salary). Churches, friends and family members continue to volunteer in many ways by providing food, housing, money, and even accompanying workers in their various outreaches. As a result of all this amazing compassion, literally hundreds of thousands of lives are being impacted for eternal good -- and, we trust, tens of thousands will spend eternity in Heaven instead of Hell. After all, Team Expansion workers baptized 829 new believers last year alone, bringing to 12,479 the total number baptized so far in Team Expansion's history. They also established 28 new churches, allowing our 340 workers in 46 countries to regularly welcome over 13 thousand worshippers worldwide each and every week. We give thanks for God's power, manifested through His Good News, His global force of Team Expansion Volunteers and Team Members, and His Spirit which binds us all together.

Thankful for the chance to serve you,

Doug Lucas, President-Team Expansion



Scott & Angie  
**PAGEL**

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PLANTING  
CHURCHES IN  
NORTHERN TAIWAN



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RECEIPTS	
Antioch Christian Church	\$ 350.00
Calvary Christian Church	\$ 1,300.00
Cedar Ridge Christian Church	\$ 500.00
Christ's Church Of Oronogo	\$ 600.00
Cisne Christian Church	\$ 176.00
Edmond Christian Church	\$ 550.00
Individuals	\$ 810.00
Journey's Crossing	\$ 300.00
Kingston Federated Church	\$ -
Pagel, Scott & Angie	\$ 2,206.39
US Treasury	\$ -
Villa Heights Christian Church	\$ -
Wildewood Christian Church	\$ 150.00
Winona Christian Church	\$ -
Interest - Xrate - Refund - Rebate	\$ 0.79
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,943.18</b>

SUMMARY	
Beginning Balance	\$ 8,857.56
Receipts	\$ 6,943.18
Expenses	\$ 5,671.69
Credit Card Beginning Balance	\$ -
Credit Card Ending Balance	\$ 343.86
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 10,472.91</b>

NOTES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This month we contributed an additional US\$2206.39 of our personal funds. This makes the amount to be repaid to Scott and Angie's personal funds: US\$4584.73.</li> <li>• In May, we will have some moving expenses and nearly US\$6000 on a credit card for airfare</li> </ul>

EXPENSES			
Fund Transfer Expense		Postage	
Benefits		500 · In the Field	\$ 5.77
100 · Salary	\$ 1,928.91	550 · In the States	
110 · Medical Insurance	\$ 533.65	Total Postage	\$ 5.77
111 · Special Medical Expense		Office	
120 · Life Insurance		600 · Supplies In the Field	\$ 9.95
130 · Social Security		640 · Facility/Utilities	
150 · Housing Allowance	\$ 205.05	660 · Mission Phone	\$ 70.09
160 · Utilities	\$ 272.87	661 · E-Mail	
170 · Education for Children		670 · Secretaries/Assistants	
180 · Contributions	\$ 50.00	Total Office	\$ 80.04
Total Benefits	\$ 2,990.48	Promotion/Representation	
Education		700 · For More Support	
200 · Books/Periodicals		710 · For More Recruits	
210 · Language Acquisition		720 · Newsletters	
220 · Conferences/Classes		740 · Team Expansion Home Office	\$ 100.00
230 · Team Building	\$ 11.74	750 · Miscellaneous	
240 · Equipping Missionaries		Total Promotion/Representation	\$ 100.00
Total Education	\$ 11.74	Travel	
Christian Education		800 · Car/Transportation	\$ 195.21
300 · Printed Material		806 · Vehicle Maint/Ins	\$ 149.35
310 · AudioVisual		810 · Meals While Traveling	\$ 1.32
320 · Hospitality		820 · Fees/Tolls	\$ 61.10
330 · Other		830 · Housing While Traveling	
Total Christian Education	\$ -	840 · Legal (Travel Fees)	\$ 105.00
Evangelism		860 · Air Fare	\$ 1,968.74
400 · Printed Material		870 · Misc. Expenses	
410 · AudioVisual		Total Travel	\$ 2,480.72
420 · Hospitality		Miscellaneous	
430 · New Field Research		900 · Unspecified Equipment	
440 · Bibles		910 · Legal In Residence	
450 · Compassion Projects		920 · Banking Fees	\$ 2.94
460 · Facility/Utilities		990 · Other	
470 · Joint Team Projects		Total Miscellaneous	\$ 2.94
495 · Church Planting		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,671.69</b>
Total Evangelism	\$ -		