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This photo beckons our return to our church family in Cambodia ~ our tickets are purchased and confirmation received for our November 5th departure.

We are excited to have the opportunity to share time with these wonderful people in their local communities.

The country itself is in the midst of an explosion of people coming forth to hear and learn about Jesus and become one of His children of faith. It's humbling to watch and be in the midst thereof.

Praise God!

Important News for All of Us

Why do we do missions? Why should we all do missions for that matter?

We have a story to share with you that came forth back on July 14th into our emails. Interestingly, we both

were struck by the impact this one simple email as it clearly summed up our reasons for doing what we do (which many people have asked us over the years.) Years ago missions became personal for us as our children were at Valley Lutheran High School and Pastor Bob Smith took students on mission trips across the 'pond.' That meant that we, as parents, got involved with this activity too. And the Holy Spirit grabbed our hearts to do more thereafter.

This note below originated thru an organization called American Christians Ministering to Internationals. (ACMI). We are not going to alter the content of the portions that we are including here, but we will tell you about the <u>earthly</u> author of this presentation.

Tin Ka-Ping was a famous Hong Kong billionaire and philanthropist, but most important to us is that he became a Christian in 2013, at the age of **95**. We will let him tell the 'rest' of the story, so to speak.

Please look at the photo of Immanuel Lutheran Church at the beginning of this newsletter. These are all children, who are hearing about our Jesus. Getting personal with our Jesus can come at any age. Who can know who will open that door of a heart to accept Him?

We are all His children.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

And now ~ Tin Ka Ping's testimony ~

"Standing here in front of you today feels different and funny. There have been many occasions when I am asked to give speeches; often, I am indulged with undeserving honors from the generosity of friends. Similarly, friends from different corners of the world are here today, but not for my honor --we've gathered here to honor the name of God.

A lot of people don't understand why I believe in Jesus. Quite frankly, I have lived by good conscience throughout my life; I am unashamed to call myself a good man even before I've come to know Jesus. Yet, a "good man" in the definition of a "good man" is not perfect. I may be flawless in the eyes of men; but in front of God, I am a sinner.

So once likened it to our visiting a patient in the isolation ward of a hospital: no matter how many times we have washed ourselves, there would still be germs and bacteria on us. We cannot just walk into the isolation ward even though we are considered "clean" in the eyes of men. The seeming dilemma is that, there's no righteous man in the eyes of God but, on the other hand, everyone can become righteous -- as long as he is willing to accept Jesus Christ as his savior.

My contact with Christianity began in the days of my youth back in my hometown in Dabu, Guangdong. Many missionaries were around back then, preaching Gospel and teaching children to sing. I did not pay much attention to what they were preaching but greatly respect their willingness to serve. Even though I am accepting Christ only at this old age of 95, I must say, however, that I have always admired the selflessness of Jesus and the Christian teaching of loving one another. Accordingly, I have always taken Jesus as an example to follow even before accepting Christ. I have always told the Chinese officials not to prohibit Christianity in the Mainland China. If we want to improve the quality of our people, to change the life of each person, we need the Gospel.

It is by God's grace that I have come to Him; but there are also a lot of people that I wish to thank. First of all, my wife and many of my children are Christians; they have been praying for me for many years. My four daughters are here from Australia, the United States of America, and Canada for my baptism today. Many of my friends have also showed their love and care by constantly remembering me in prayers —

My children tell me that nothing -- not any honorary degrees or medals -- compares to my acceptance of Christ. This is why everyone is so excited and enthusiastic to be here to share the joy. I humbly accept all your loving kindness."

Glory to God in the Highest

Even as this is read once again, the tears in our hearts speak volumes of our Father because He never gives up on any of us at any point of our lives ~ and this

man proved just that. His children (some of whom were pastors), his wife, and his Christian friends kept up the spirit to bring this man home. He received his crown of glory five years later.

That is why we do missions ~ To Glory our Father. Amen!

Knee Thoughts

- 1-Please pray for us and our involvement in God's ministry with Pastor Samuel in Siem Reap Cambodia.
- 2-Pray for yourselves, how to partner in effective ways such as being a prayer warrior, helper, a financial partner, or an advocate in your church community.
- 3-Please pray for the physical and financial health of Pastor Samuel, his family, and the Cambodian church, and the souls he is reaching for Christ.
- 4. Please pray as we begin to gather together our departure return to Cambodia in the not too distant future. It is November 5th now ~



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