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### **New Year Thoughts**

Christine Pi

Wishing everyone blessings preparation, we know that if it grow in Him unceasingly.

around the world, we are endeavors. reminded that the Lord is in control in spite of how things have asked why go to a faraway appear. How can we as Christians respond appropriately in the Africa? In actuality, neither midst of these turbulent times? "As long as it is day, we must do roughly one hour more to reach the works of him who sent Brazil than one would need to fly me."—John 9:4 and remembering that, "You will Hong Kong; add a few more receive power when the Holy hours and you will arrive in Spirit comes on you; and you will Johannesburg, be my witnesses in Jerusalem. Others have asked why we are and in all Judea and Samaria, and focusing on these particular to the ends of the earth."—Acts places? Brazil and South Africa 1:8. Has anyone thought about are known for their high crime where are the ends of the earth rates where people's hearts are may be for you?

This year, CIM once again making has the opportunity to send STM particularly interested in the teams to share the gospel in four Gospel in general. However, we cities in Brazil, namely Belo know that everyone needs the Horizonte, Porto Alegre, Sao saving grace of our Lord Jesus Paulo and Salvador. The church Christ. May our Lord soften in Salvador has specifically these hard hearts towards the extended the invitation and need Gospel and may they bear many for Cantonese-speaking brothers seeds through the mercy of our and sisters to participate. An even Lord. more pressing need is for individuals who can converse in also expressed, "I don't know the Enping and Taishan dialects. anything, so what can I do?" We In the midst of all the need to first nurture a heart that

upon blessings, and grace upon were not for God's mercy, how grace in the New Year! As could we continue? If not for the Chinese believers, we are a God who is full of mercy and group. Having just grace, who continuously urges stepped into a New Year and a brothers and sisters to go from new beginning, February is also various churches, it just would the Chinese New Year. May the not happen! I hope you can Lord keep us so that we may contribute to sharing the Gospel to the local Chinese in Brazil by Seeing all that is happening participating actively in these

> Some concerned supporters land such as Brazil and South country is that far away. It takes also from San Francisco to Taiwan or South Africa. hardened and are focused on money.

> > Brothers and sisters have

is willing to serve God, and then pray for Him to open a way. He will bless us with the wisdom to speak eloquently. Let us now begin to prepare, be equipped, and pray fervently for the various ministry opportunities and also for the emotional, physical, spiritual, and environmental adjustment of the team members who have already signed up to go on these trips this summer. Those who fight on the front line will receive blessings as will those who support behind the scenes. "The share of the man who stayed with the supplies is to be the same as that of him who went down to the battle."—I Samuel 30:24.

Let us ask God to help us in taking the first step and remember that, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me!" Philippians 4:13. God has His own timing and His own way. Ask that God will take away all the obstacles around us and allow His will to be manifested in us. As Andrew Murray reminds us, "Those who have Jesus in their hearts are missionaries. Those who do not have Jesus in their hearts are the mission fields."

May the grace and peace from our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ be with you! Each time I think of how you care for the coworkers and the ministries of Chinese International Missions, I give thanks to our God. Please remember us and pray for a growth in our ministries this year. Thank you for your partnership!

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- For the PECCC brothers and sisters 6. to develop a thirst for God's word; hopefully they can organize a Bible study gathering as well as having a 7. fellowship to carry out discipleship training.
- May the Lord bless each and every one who has participated in the special offering for the urgent need in South Africa. God is faithful, we give thanks to God for his rich 8. supply. Recently Rev. Wu bought a 'new' second hand car to replace the twelve year old car. Ask God to continue to protect him with travel safety.
- 3. For Rev. Douglas' health and 9. guard his coming and going.
- 4. For the graduate school application of Rev. Douglas Wu's elder daughter, Sharon, that God will guide the roads ahead; for their second daughter, Helen, to get 10. adjusted to college life and that God will strengthen her heart; also for their son, Clarence, who will sit for his college admission examination soon.
- 5. For the STM team that will be heading from California to South Africa at the end of March. Pray for the planning of logistics, and all aspects of their ministry.

- Continue to ask the Lord to raise up his 12. Continue to pray for the BH servants in the churches in South Africa
- For civil order deterioration, theft, robberies still happening in South Africa, with brothers and sisters of the churches there being robbed at gunpoint in their stores recently. Please fervently pray for the safety of this
- For the political environment, public safety, and economic turmoil in Brazil and South Africa, allowing brothers and sisters to be able to live a safe and prosperous life and to serve the Lord without worries.
- CIM is planning a two-week STM trip to serve in Sao Paulo, Belo Horizonte, Porto Alegre, and Salvador of Brazil in June and July. Pray for the Lord to call brothers and sisters to participate and support the ministries.
- The Happy Kids and Happy Teens ministries in Sao Paulo began their new school year on Feb 1. Please pray for students and teachers class assignment as well as all other school business.
- 11. For the newly established group of 17. Ask the Lord to raise up more coworkers in Belo Horizonte church, that God would grant them strength so that they will support each other, learn from each other, and serve one another with confidence.

- church in their search for a new gathering venue. Pray also for God's grace to provide convenient location that will better allow the Gospel to go out even more.
- 13. Remember the youth at the BH Church. May all of them come under God, especially pray for the ones who were newly baptized to receive guidance and blessing in their studies and work.
- 14. For the Lord to lead the brothers and sisters of the Salvador church and to bless them with strong faith growth spiritually emotionally so that they will serve the Lord and love others.
- 15. For brothers and sisters in the Porto Alegre church to love the Lord more, and to seek and experience God more.
- 16. Ask the Lord to raise up brothers and sisters to go on short-term missions trips to Ghana and Togo and support the ministries.
- workers to participate in CIM ministry and for the Lord to prepare for all the needs of our ministries and bless us abundantly.
- 18. Pray that the Lord will grant new missionaries to join our team.

# 2016 Short Term Mission

### **South Africa**

July 1 - 12, 2016

Youth Camp

Dec 23, 2016 - Jan 5, 2017 Family Camp

### **Brazil**

June 29 - July 14, 2016 July 14 - July 31, 2016

Visitations, personal evangelism, discipleship training, and youth camp

### Ghana / Togo

May - October, 2016

Cross Culture Mission (two to three week intervals)

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

January 2016

	Income	Expense	Balance
General	\$1, 208	\$5, 535	-\$4, 327
Missions	\$4, 823	\$5, 292	-\$469
Total	\$6,031	\$10, 827	-\$4, 796

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