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**SOUTH AFRICA**

[Rev. Douglas Wu]--When doing mission work in South Africa we hope to be like the apostle Paul in appointing elders in each church. Because of the continuous influx of Chinese into the country, the number of ethnic Fujian Christians moving here has also greatly increased. Because they are spread among different cities they all need pastors to nurture

them. Therefore, Whitney and I must lead discipleship training to raise up more local coworkers. Beginning in April, we led three brothers, Alex, Alan, and Charles on a course of "The Characteristics of



Lord's Servant." These three have different personalities but the camaraderie and the unity they exhibit has allowed us to truly experience God's goodness and faithfulness. May the Holy Spirit use them to be the church's pillars in the days ahead.



For the past five years, the Fu-qing Fellowship in Pretoria had been meeting at Rev. Wu's house. They have outgrown this meeting place due to their constant growth in numbers. Praise the Lord for His abundant providence for finding us the Brooklyn Reformed Church that is willing to allow us to use their space for our gatherings. As a result, the fellowship has a wide-open space for meetings, allowing more people to come and hear the Gospel and receive saving grace!



We have also begun registering attendees for our end of year family retreat. May the Lord call more people to come and be submersed in His grace. In addition a three day camp will be set aside to focus specifically the young people once the retreat is over.

**BRAZIL**

The Happy Kids held their graduation ceremony on Nov 26 which coincided with the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Chinese arriving in Brazil. Because of the hard work put forth by these pioneers we can receive the blessings today. During the ceremony,



we gave special thanks to parents for sending their children to Happy Kids and for their support for the school. There was also a sharing of the Gospel, hoping everyone will be able to bring the Good News home!



The Happy Teens have their fellowship meeting every other Friday night where they invite graduates from universities to come back and share. These young people have travelled the same road together before were able to understand and accept one another. We hope that the Holy Spirit will lead this fellowship to grow and to help these young people have a firm foundation in their faith journey with the Lord for the rest of their lives.

The World Cup in 2014 and the Summer Olympic games in 2016 will both be held in Rio making Brazil the focus of the whole world. The government has started improving street safety to attract more tourists and campaigning to fight the drug epidemic. Lately the police have also been closing warehouses, confiscating goods, and not allowing the release of goods without receipts. How can the people in Brazil feel a sense of security? Matt 6:19-20 says, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and



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vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.” Truly what people need the most is the Gospel! May the Lord have mercy and grace, grant us wisdom, allow us to have the strength and more opportunities to spread the Gospel and bring more souls to salvation!

**GHANA**

The last Short Term Mission team of the year to Ghana has returned home in mid-November. The team was comprised of a newly-wed couple and a father and his 12 year old daughter. She was probably the youngest member we have ever accepted. All four of them have harvested invaluable cross cultural and evangelistic experience from the two weeks trip. Also, a short term mission team from two churches in Montreal worked alongside CIM Canada Togo ministry director, Rev. Matthieu Ayena, in evangelizing with the locals in visitation and training.

**HOMEFRONT**

The CIM Annual Board Meeting was held successfully at the end of October. We are praying that through short-term mission trips people will have the opportunity to experience and share in the ministry and that God will move the right people to answer the call to spread the Gospel in foreign lands.

The Board members unanimously agreed to expand the ministry in Brazil where many churches do not have pastors. CIM will be sharing this vision with North American churches, hoping that more brothers and sisters will be touched to carry out Gospel work in Brazil together. Also, in order to meet the great need of the Cantonese-speaking Chinese in Brazil, we are planning to launch projects with CIM Hong Kong to share the vision with more churches in Hong Kong, hoping the Holy Spirit will lead more to dedicate their lives to the harvest field in Brazil.

CIM Canada held their annual meeting and added four new board members. Rev. Philip Leung, Executive Director of CIM Canada, just returned from speaking engagements in Australia. His message of urging cross-cultural and layperson mission work will hopefully bring more brothers and sisters to join in the ministry.

**PRAYER ITEMS**

1. For the Lord to send more missionaries to reap the harvest in South Africa and Brazil; also for the Lord to raise up more coworkers to work with CIM staff to serve together to expand God’s kingdom.
2. For the University of Pretoria Chinese Christian Students Society to have wisdom and leadership from God so that they will have mutual respect, obey those in authority, and serve the Lord together.
3. For the Family Retreat in South Africa at the end of December. Pray that it will be spirit-filled, that each family will be blessed and renewed.
4. Continue to pray for Rev. Wu’s rash to be completely healed.
5. There has been a significant increase in the number of new students at Happy Kids Ministry this school year so there is need for more new teachers.
6. There are more than thirty students in the Happy Teens Ministry and a need for bilingual teachers. May the Lord prepare just the right people to join the team.
7. For the Happy Teens Ministry as they plan for a retreat to be held January 23-25.
8. For the ministry in Ghana and Togo will be expanded.
9. For the financial needs of CIM.
10. Mrs. Pi & Elder Ying Chang will be heading to Brazil for fact finding in five different cities. Pray for safe travels, especially that Mrs. Pi will have sufficient stamina to sustain her. Please also continue to pray for the complete recovery of her eye.

**FINANCIAL REPORT: October 2011**

	Income	Expense	Balance
General	\$1,780	\$3,700	-\$1,920
Missions	\$3,131	\$4,000	-\$869
Total	\$4,911	\$7,000	-\$2,789

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