

Douglas Wu Family Prayer Letter

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God's grace is manifested in healing Douglas' illnesses. How wonderful.....: I have been experiencing excruciating pain in my left arm in addition to Urticaria. Whenever I lay down, my throat started to produce weird sounds. This is due to bronchi allergies. The exhaling noise was particularly loud even Whitney could hear them. These symptoms prevented me from getting good night sleeps. (It also happened last spring, and it took me a month of medication to get well.) While in the stage of self-pity, self-agony, and self-complaint, I realized that I had not humble myself before the Lord for health matters. Because I was informed that most of the Urticaria will heal in a year, and torn arm muscles will recover in half-year, so I drank tree-root tea and mug bean soup and resorted myself to other non-traditional means in stead of asking God for healing. In realizing this, I sought the Lord earnestly and started to take 30-minute walk and drink Loquat Cough Syrup every day. Amazingly, the bronchi allergies were gone in a week. While I prayed, God also reminded me, when I was out sharing the Gospel at Lesotho in 1997, Mr. Xu mentioned a homeopathy by means of changing eating habits. After 7 days of practice according to his advise, my arm pain reduced grammatically, unless I uses it to carry or pull heavy objects! I am even more thankful that Urticaria rashes diminished quite a bit. Only small poxes are left. Itchy feelings are basically gone. May the Lord have mercy on Douglas as he continues to seek Him.

Mark 11:23-24 "What I'm about to tell you is true. Suppose one of you says to this mountain, 'Go and throw yourself into the sea.' You must not doubt in your heart. You must believe that what you say will happen. Then it will be done for you. "So I tell you, when you pray for something, believe that you have already received it. Then it will be yours."

While Douglas was ill, he felt very sorry that he was not able to visit brothers and sisters as much (or perhaps he wasn't able to fulfill his outgoing nature?). Nevertheless, Brothers Charles Suen, Alex Ko, and Alan Huang took his place by various services, such as language-interpreting and preaching. Their involvement brought great comfort to Douglas. They used to be timid, now they've grown in the Lord, for His Word has strengthen them.



Alan Huang preaching

Student Fellowship

C2S2 coworker election for Year 2012

Matthew 9:35-38 "Jesus went through all the towns and villages. He taught in their synagogues. He preached the good news of the kingdom. And he healed every illness and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he felt deep concern for them. They were beaten down and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is huge. But there are only a few workers. So ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers out into his harvest field."



As we prayed for the Lord to send more missionaries to South Africa, we continue to labor in bringing up local workers. May His will be done.

Since February, 2007, with our landlord's consent, Pretoria Fu-qing Fellowship began to meet at our residence. Since then, the Fellowship has grown beyond the capacity of our home. Therefore, starting early next month, we will be borrowing rooms, kitchens, big hall, and chairs from the Brooklyn Reformed Church for worship and meals. The Fellowship is grateful for God's provision as well as the opportunity to expand for greater mission work ahead.

Purple Jacarandas are blooming in South Africa! These beautiful flowers seem to proclaim God's never changing promises and overwhelming loving-kindness. Down below, you'll see a photo of our family posing in front of God's amazing creation.

Sister Xiao-Xing Yu's due date is in January, 2012. We are anxiously await for little Mr. Stander to arrive. Last month, brothers and sisters from church conducted a baby shower for the parents-to-be. The Standers also gave thanks to the Lord for He has done. Please pray for Sister Yu's Ph. D application-interview at the end of this year.



Baby Shower

Jacaranda

The Wu family

..... Douglas and Whitney's BLOG http://tw.myblog.yahoo.com/douglas1218@kimo.com

## THANKSGIVING

- Our eldest daughter, Sharon, is elected as the 2012 chair-woman of Chinese Christian Students Society (C2S2) at University of Pretoria.
- 2. Helen has been accepted by her school's string orchestra as a violinist. She's very happy!
- 3、Clarence passed his third-level piano guild audition. He also received an admission acceptance letter from Boys High, one of Pretoria's best high schools. (We do not reside in the school district, and the school's acceptance rate is only 40%!)
- 4. Douglas is thankful for God's mercy in healing him from his bronchi allergies and right arm pain.
- Douglas is very grateful to a special gift, a pair of ear-plugs, from his brother in Taiwan. He can now sleep at least 6 hours straight without disturbance.
- 6. Our new landlord asked us to move in at the end of November which gives us more time to pack.

## **SUPPLICATION**

1、 Please remember the Pretoria Fu-qing fellowship moving to the Brooklyn Reformed Church on November 5th. May all brothers and sisters like this new place and grow in the Lord.

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- 2. Please pray for Dec. 30- Jan.1 family retreat. Deacon couple of Chicago New Light Christian Church and Rev. Wen-hui Gong's family, a team of 5, will lead the Retreat. May the Lord help us in our recruiting and receiving efforts.
- 3. South African gasoline price has risen to R10.7 per liter (~US\$1.4). May the Lord grant our leaders wisdom to lower taxes, so that the gasoline price may be reduced.
- 4. Please pray for God's provision to pay for additional tolls due to South African transportation department's new policy which will be in effect starting December, 2011. The government plans to collect .40 Rand per km from each motor-vehicle on route the super highways between Johannesburg and Pretoria. One-way distance is about 55km. In the future, we may also pay tolls for going downtown or to our neighboring city, Centurion.
- 5. Please pray for Douglas' complete recovery from his sicknesses.
- 6. South Africa is in need of missionaries. May the Lord of harvest send His labors.
- 7. Please pray that God's grace will be sufficient for Clarence, Helen, Sharon, and Whitney as they prepare and take their final exams.

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