

South Africa

Ever since Nelson Mandela was elected as the first black president for South Africa in 1994, everyone has hoped that new policies would bring about new developments. Sadly, with the passing of twenty years, not only have everyday lives not fared better politically, economically, or socially, it has gotten worse. May the Lord rain down grace and mercy on this country.

Power failure has caused many unnecessary obstacles at church gatherings lately. Praise the Lord that the brothers and sisters have been very creative—they brought battery-operated lanterns to use at the meetings; due to the shortage of electricity and not being able to use electric keyboards, during worship the times have



been filled with joy and thankfulness for the Lord's gift of song and praising God a cappella.

We give thanks to our Heavenly Father that the three Chinese churches in South Africa are growing spiritually in different areas. This generation of young adults at PECCC have vibrantly become the new soldiers of the church, growing in Christ and experiencing missions. They have been learning about sharing of the Gospel cross-culturally and serving in different cities. They have also served in their home church—leading worship, teaching children's Sunday school classes, and being involved any way they can.

At the Pretoria FuQing Church, couples are bringing their children to the gatherings. At times there are three generations in a family who worship together. Seeing their unity, we truly give thanks to God. Even with the power outages at night, Bible study classes did not discontinue. The congregation hopes to learn more of God's word, striving to get to know Him. After the years of equipping from Rev. Douglas Wu, we can only give the glory back to God when we see the transformation in their lives.



God answered the prayers of the church in Rustenburg—three people signed up for the baptism class. Another breakthrough is also taking place in the coworkers' training class where ten brothers and sisters are willing to learn the "Character of Christ's Servants" together. With many willing to be equipped, the Bible study class is also using some practical courses to help them in studying the Scripture themselves at home. Praise the Lord! They continue to move forward and grow.

Brazil

With only five weeks left, we are getting closer and closer to the departure of the two STM trips to Brazil. The third training session was held last Saturday. Even though the team members have been diligently preparing for the trip, establishing friendships, learning how to complement each other's gifts, it still seems like there's a lot left to do. Please



continue to pray for our team members, asking God to establish peace and unity for each member mentally, physically, and spiritually; have a good partnering relationships with the local coworkers; have safe travels coming in and going out, and that whomever comes will receive from Him abundantly. Ask our Heavenly Father that He will grant us a united spirit and a humble heart to come before Him to seek His guidance and His grace. Pray that He will also remind us not to pause in our current state but, rather, boldly venture forward. Give thanks for the opportunity to partner with several Chinese churches in Brazil, allowing us to complement each other and allowing more people to be blessed so that believers can be trained and non-believers be saved.

The youth retreat at the church in Belo Horizonte still needs workers to lead the young people. The STM team average around fifty years of age and feel a little overwhelmed. Sharing life experiences, spiritual encountering, and godly interventions will not be a problem; but in the area of activities, it'll be a different matter. In addition, language barrier will be another challenge. Even though most of the young people understand Mandarin and English, some can only communicate in Portuguese. Ask the Lord to supplement all the needs. Surely God looks favorably on our willing and servant hearts and will definitely grant us the wisdom and discernment



to plan an appropriate program to teach the Gospel Truth and offer salvation to the non-believing young friends they invite to the camp. Jehovah Jireh! As it said in Romans 8:28 that, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."



Chinese International Missions, Inc.



Since 2010, God has given us opportunities to serve Him through short-term mission teams in the ten cities on the map. The four squared cities are where our teams will serve this July. Please pray for us especially, to bring the Good News to those who are in Brazil. Other than

Sao Paulo, most of the churches in those cities do not have a pastor. They very much need our prayers. If the Lord is calling you to serve among these communities, please contact us at any time.

The STM team hope to support the local believers, discipling and equipping them to rise up and serve their own church. On the other hand, we also hope to inspire those who have participated in STM trips before to share their own experience with those brothers and sisters, leading to more passion in missions. We further hope that these participants on STM teams will be willing to take the next step and be called by God to serve in long-term missions.

CIM's motto, "Making a Difference in World Evangelization Through Chinese Missionaries" means that we hope to awaken, encourage, and further promote Chinese Christians to participate in missions work and not be complacent with the current environment. Please respond to the Gospel cry from Brazil, South Africa, and all ends of the earth and boldly step out to partner with God to reap the harvest. Perhaps it requires you to step out of your comfort zone and enter into a foreign or uncertain place. Let us venture forward with God, like Paul, and become an extraordinary and influential Christ follower!

FINANCIAL REPORT : (April 2015)

	Income	Expense	Balance
General	\$ 1,537	\$ 4,133	- \$ 2,596
Missions	\$ 3,569	\$ 5,870	- \$ 2,301
Total	\$ 5,106	\$ 10,003	- \$ 4,897

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Prayer Requests

1. Ask God to continue granting grace to all the churches we serve to receive and experience the presence and partnership of the Holy Spirit, that they may be guarded, revived, and become God's witnesses, with concerted efforts to accomplish the Great Commission that He has commanded us.
2. The "Character of Christ's Servants" class in Rustenburg , as well as the "Practical Ways to Study the Bible" class on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, that each member can successfully participate and finish the entire training and be further equipped.
3. Rev. Douglas Wu and his family: spiritual understanding to discern the truth, to shepherd his flock, and to share the Gospel far and wide. Also for wisdom and grace, humbly serving and glorifying God.
4. The ministry in Middelburg since it had to be discontinued with brother Chen leaving for Mozambique. Ask the Father not to allow the field to be laid waste, and allow the Gospel to continue to spread in that city.
5. CIM's Executive Director and the STM members as they embark to Brazil in July.
6. Happy Kids and Happy Teens' two-day teachers' retreat, that God will revive the hearts of the teachers and allow them serve the Lord without feeling fearful or weary.
7. The STM team as they lead the youth retreat in Belo Horizonte. Pray for the youth who will be attending the event, that their young lives will completely be won over to the Lord.
8. There is a drought in Brazil and it is a very serious matter affecting the economy and causing the unemployment rate to increase. Many Chinese there operate their own businesses, such the restaurant industry, gas stations, car washes, and beauty parlors that require a lot of water and so face the risk of closing their businesses. May the Lord care for them and grant special grace on them.
9. Ask that God will grant the coworkers on the home front wisdom so that even as the ministry work increases, complications do not. Ask the Lord to instill a peaceful spirit, being open to the Lord's teaching with one heart, allowing the coworkers to fulfill their responsibility before the Lord and to complete the work that's bestowed by Him.

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