

Chinese International Missions, Inc.

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CIM 2023 Board Meeting Summary

~Theresa Poon Board Member

As our board chair led us to reflect on the ministry of CIM this year, we found both challenging moments and celebrating moments. Our hearts were saddened with the passing of one of our board members, our brother David Cheng, who served as the Secretary, this past July. He was faithful and reliable in his service even during the beginning stage of his chemotherapy. The resignation of Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Wu of our South Africa field brought great challenges to our ministry & leadership. On the other hand, our two mission fields, South Africa and Brazil, reopen after COVID with all ministries resuming normal operations with enthusiastic progress.

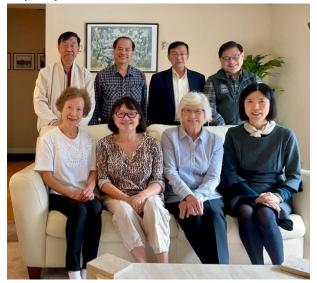
We are thankful that Rev & Mrs. Jorge Loo, our coworkers from Brazil, were able to come to the U.S. and join our board meeting in person. Together with our other coworker, Lady Minister Yeh Dan Brazil, retired leader of the Happy Kids and Happy Teens departments, ministry in Brazil is expanding. There is much need in many locations. At Rev. Loo's recommendation, we will add another coworker, Rev Lin, working under Rev Loo to serve as our mid-term missionary focusing on the Belo Horizonte Chinese Baptist Church.

Since our last Executive Director, Christine Pi, retired from her position in 2021, CIM has been operating without a full-time administrator. I am most thankful for the faithfulness, steadfastness, and nonfailing faith of board members and missionaries serving under God on behalf of CIM. As almost all our board members are at retirement age, we greatly need new and younger members to bring new perspectives and new ideas, as well as more energy and vigor to our ministry.

Serving in missions is a journey of experiencing God. It is a journey to know God through the challenges. In this end time, with wars and conflicts, natural disasters at catastrophic and non-precedented scale, and humanity behaving so far from what God declared since the founding of the world as "good" and "very good", many lives have been erased without even a chance to hear our Lord's name Jesus Christ.

As we give thanks during this season, let us be committed to sharing and spreading God's love in whatever capacity, whichever circumstance, and whomever

He placed around us. Amen.



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PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1. Pastor Alex Ko needs to start arranging Christmas ministry activities. Currently there are Christmas concerts, gospel visits, and good news. Please ask the Lord to use them to do the Lord's work with the brothers and sisters.
- 2. Nicole Ko began to take faith courses with fellow seekers, asking the Lord to use her to lead the seekers to believe in the Lord.
- 3. Please pray for Pastor Ko's family's plans to go to the United States next year, especially the arrangements for the itinerary and sharing, and the ministry needs of the PECCC; make all kinds of arrangements, ask the Lord to prepare for things like asking for leave time for children from their schools.
- 4. Please pray for Pastor Ying Tsung Lin and his wife as they will go to pastor temporary at the Chinese Baptist Church in Belo Horizonte, Brazil.
- 5. Pray for the Belo Church to have a united heart among the co-workers to serve together with Pastor Lin.
- 6. Please lift up Claudia in leading the young people in Belo Church and that the Lord would grant her love, patience, and strength.
- 7. Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine. Pray for House of Mercy as they take care of refugees, physically and spiritually.
- 8. Pray for the pastors and teachers that we support in Ghana and Togo. Inflation is still greatly affecting their lives. Pray that there will be donors for our benevolent fund so we can help withs one of their physical needs. Pray for the formation of STM teams in 2024.
- 9. Please continue to pray for the recruiting effort underway to fill job vacancies in CIM for a Director of Ministry to oversee STM and daily operations, and an Executive Director successor. If you know of anyone who is interested and qualifies, please contact us.
- 10. Pray that God will move more brothers and sisters to join the ministry so God's kingdom would be more prosperous. Pray for God's abundant provision for all the financial needs of CIM.

NOTE

Please call 408-596-4567 to contact CIM for questions or comments. Thank you for your continual support.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Oct 2023

	<u>Income</u>	Expense	Balance
General	\$72,917	\$15,365	\$57,552
Missions	\$87,400	\$88,219	-\$819
Total	\$160,317	\$103,584	\$56,733

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