

Dear Friends,

Please forgive me for not writing you sooner. It seems that there is just not enough time to go around when I want it....

We got back from a 17 day trip to China, Hong Kong and Singapore. We have the potential of an International school in Shanghai and signed up an underground church training center in Guangzhou. The preacher's wife has come and trained here. They will start in September. I am excited about the potential with people who have such commitment to raise their kids with a Bible based education in China.

We are doing good. Very busy. Trying to find a better place for the church as we are filled to capacity every Sunday and have no parking now that the school has moved out of the nearby apartments. We are looking for some new ways to market Christian Education here in the Philippines and reach more people for Christ.

BLESS is doing good. Three centers graduated last week.

These kids all came to know the Lord and so did their parents.

Our operation in South Africa should start in September. There are 50 centers that need to open there. This is a large need. We need to find sponsors for the 1,000 kids.... That is \$20,000 just for these kids, many of them from the poorest of the poor.

We have several BLESS centers running right now in Moslem tribal areas in the southern part of the Philippines and have been approached to train people in Malaysia.

I am planning right now to be at the BIG BAPTIST meeting in Chatanooga the last of September, but could change.

I have a meeting potential in Korea in October to promote pre-schools in our Baptist churches there. We have our National Student Convention with around 1000 high schoolers the first of November and an Educator's Convention in Guangzhou, China the third week. Then we plan to come stateside and visit churches and be with the kids for Christmas.

Other than this, we are on vacation..... HA

Better let you go. Thanks for your prayers.
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