Dear Praying Friends,

October 2015 Update

Greetings to you in Jesus precious name! My wife and I, along with Joy and Sue, pray that this letter finds you doing well as the Fall Season is in its early days.

For the third year in a row I have had the privilege to fly back to the States from Southeast Asia and preach for Pacific Baptist Church's Mission Conference/Revival and teach a Missions' Intensive at Pacific Baptist Bible College. It was a great joy, privilege, and an awesome responsibility to do so.

Of course, two years ago my brother flew me in from a "Restricted Access Nation" to open the Conference on that Thursday evening, and just a few hours later he was having emergency surgery to keep him alive. We are grateful that he is making progress. I have visited my brother many times since arriving in the States. Whenever I talk to him about our team in Cambodia, the "Creative Access Nation," and Thailand, or the possibility of sending a team to China his eyes light up!

Please continue to pray for my brother, his wife Mary, the rest of the family, and Pacific Baptist Church!

I preached a total of nine times (eight of those were missions' messages) over a two week period of time for Pacific Baptist Church of Long Beach and Pacific Baptist Church of Monterrey Park, taught a three day intensive at the Bible College, as well as preached in College chapel, and taught and/or preached three times for Pacific Baptist School. In addition to this, I have been busy meeting with men and women who are seriously pondering this vital matter of the mission field, especially those who are considering going to China!



Please pray that God will use this past Missions' Conference/Revival to stir many hearts to pray, to give, and to GO to the uttermost parts of the earth!



The week prior to our Missions Conference/Revival I had the privilege to be with two really good churches. On Sunday morning I was with my dear friend Pastor Kirk Beard and the Parkway Baptist Church family (Hemet, CA) and on Sunday evening I was with the Victory Baptist Church (El Cajon/Lakeside, CA). The week after the conference, I was with Sun Valley Baptist Church (Phoenix, Arizona) for all three Sunday services. All three of these churches were a tremendous blessings. I preached a total of six times at these three churches with a tremendous response from many!

Please pray for the many who had their hearts stirred during the services that God will bring lasting change for His glory and for the good of others!

While at Victory Baptist Church (Pastor Brown) I had the privilege to meet a woman named Helen and her daughter Nelly. Helen who is originally from Iraq (10/40 Window) is a devoted servant and witness for Jesus Christ today. She came to the United States when she was 25-years old. After the service on Sunday evening she told me that she had never heard the word "salvation" until she came to the United States. Think about that for a moment. She lived the first 25-years of her life in darkness, without hope and without help and very little chance to "hear" the gospel. This is our calling. This is our commission. This is the challenge for the church of Jesus Christ in the 21<sup>st</sup> century!

Please pray for the dear people in the 10/40 Window, especially those in the Middle East who are walking in darkness, despair, and death with very little help or hope!

We have mentioned Sony and her family in previous updates. In recent days my wife had the chance to meet her. I believe Debra Keo and my wife will be discipling Sony soon. Sony was baptized a few days ago. Sony, like so many people in Cambodia cannot read. She has a desire to grow in Christ. She has a desire to read the Bible, but she is unable to do so. We recently got her an MP3 Player with scripture and sermons on it. Not only is she listening to it, but from what I understand her lost husband is also. This is something we do for many who cannot read or those who are ill and shut in. If you are interested in giving towards this needy area and ministry please do let me know.

Please continue to pray for Sony's spiritual growth and health, as well as her husband's salvation!

We want to thank all of you for "holding the ropes" for us as we continue to serve Christ and the cause of Christ in this part of the world!

For His Glory in the Nations,

Johnny, Denise, Joy, and Sue

Psalm 67

