



Dear Pastor and Church Family,

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We hope you are well and are enjoying the blessings that come from serving the Lord. Our family is so grateful to be partnered together with you for the sake of the Gospel going forth to the Korean people. We are always mindful that your faithful prayers and sacrificial financial support allow us to obey God's call and serve Him here in our mission field of Busan, Korea.

Over the past several weeks we experienced the annual monsoon season. Heavy rain fell nearly every day throughout the month of July. Some parts of Korea saw serious flooding because of the frequent downpours. In fact, over a short period of time more than thirty people were killed or were reported missing as a result of the monsoon rains, including nine individuals who went out into eternity when the city bus they were on was suddenly inundated with floodwaters. In our city of Busan the rainfall was heavy but the Lord allowed a short window each day when the rain briefly stopped and we were able to continue our regular Gospel tract distribution efforts. As a result of the monsoon rains, the building we lease for the church sprang several leaks near some of the windows; however, thankfully we were spared from significant damage. When I was told that workers would be sent by the building owner to do repair work right in the middle of our Wednesday evening Bible study, I was initially a bit frustrated. However, this inconvenience turned out to be a blessing from the Lord. When the workmen quietly came in to do the repair work, I was in the middle of the sermon, continuing our church's study through the book of Philippians. Sensing an opportunity, I began to preach the Gospel as the men quietly carried on with their repair work. I do not know how they received the Word of God in their hearts, but I do know that these two workmen heard a thorough presentation of the Gospel that night. When I spoke with one of the workers after the service was over, he told me that he was very surprised to hear a foreigner preaching in Korean. We pray that these men might meditate on the truths that they heard and turn to Christ for eternal salvation. Praise the Lord for this chance to share the truth with lost souls!

The fourth Sunday in July marked one year since we started holding regular services at Jungbu Independent Baptist Church. Over the past year the Lord has taught us important lessons and we have had many opportunities to serve Him. Our hearts are filled with gratitude for His mercy, grace, provision, and enabling. We have distributed thousands of thorough Gospel tracts to lost souls around Busan, we welcomed visitors to our services, and we personally shared the Gospel as the Lord gave us the opportunity to do so. Currently we have three people (besides our family) attending the church on a regular basis. The young man that I mentioned in our previous prayer letter continues to come. Last month I had many opportunities to share the Word of God with him. I believe that the Lord is working in his life. As we pray for this young man we are also praying for the salvation of his family members who are Buddhists. Looking to the future, our hearts yearn to fulfill our calling of personally leading souls to Christ and helping them become His true disciples. As we prayerfully seek to be used by the Lord here in our needy mission field, we are looking for ways to become more effective witnesses for Christ. Though false religion, materialism, and pride are so prevalent in our city, we know that God is at work and that He desires the salvation of those we have been called to reach. Please continue to pray that the Lord would help us to adapt to the challenges, enable us to improve our ability to communicate, and use us to lead Koreans to a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ for the glory of God. Thank you so much for your faithful partnership with our family for the sake of the Gospel! May the Lord continue to bless you as you serve Him.

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