



Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

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As we enter the final month of 2016, our hearts are full as we think of all that the Lord has done this year. We are sincerely grateful to our Lord for His guidance and blessings. This last month of deputation has been especially profitable as we have now reached 60% of our needed monthly support! Words cannot express the gratitude we have to our supporting churches. We are honored to partner with you for the purpose of the Gospel going forth in Korea. Thank you so much for your continued prayer and support!



The Blue House (office and official residence of South Korea's president)

As the United States concluded a difficult election cycle, Korea entered a season of political turmoil. Though the country has a "democratic" form of government, many Koreans have long suspected corruption at the highest levels of political power. Recently, the president of South Korea (Park Geun-hye / 박근혜 대통령님) has been implicated in an egregious scandal. Evidence shows President Park's direct involvement in criminal wrongdoing including embezzlement and influence peddling. In spite of government attempts to downplay the situation, President Park currently has a public approval rating of only 4%. The people of South Korea are disgusted by their president and the state of current affairs. Several massive protest rallies across the country have occurred. The largest one was held on November 26th in Seoul where 1,500,000

Koreans gathered at Gwanghwamun Plaza near the Blue House (the president's office and official residence). The people held signs and lit candles; calling for President Park to resign. When I saw photographs of the protest showing the raw emotion of so many Koreans, my heart was moved with empathy. They long for justice, answers to their questions, and most of all - hope. Though their collective frustrations have rightly reached the boiling point, no social movement can ultimately grant them these desires. Being reconciled to God through the Lord Jesus Christ, having all sin forgiven, and receiving the gift of eternal life brings true hope that cannot be extinguished. There are throngs of Koreans who desperately need to hear the Gospel. We long to return to Korea and fervently communicate the truth of the Lord Jesus Christ to the spiritually needy people of South Korea.



President Park's motorcade passing us near the Blue House

Thank you for praying for the man that we had the privilege of leading to the Lord out door-knocking at the end of October. We praise the Lord that David came to church and followed the Lord in believer's baptism. He also brought his son who made a profession of faith in Christ for salvation. What a privilege it is to watch the Lord transform lives! As we enter the final days of 2016, we pray that you will experience the blessings of God as you faithfully serve Him.

In Christ,

Andrew Brown 



Gwanghwamun Plaza - last month 1.5 million Koreans gathered here for a massive protest



We witnessed an antigovernment protest on a visit to Busan



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