



Dear Faithful Prayer and Financial Supporters,

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Greetings! Summer is underway here in Busan as we continue with intensive language studies, Gospel tract distribution, and preparation for the task of starting our first work. We are so grateful to be partnered together with you for the sake of the Gospel.

Recently, we have seen the Lord answer prayer and bless our Gospel tract distribution efforts. As we have mentioned in previous letters, most Korean people are not very interested in hearing the Gospel and some are even hostile when approached. The prevalence of Atheism and Buddhism, the pervasiveness of materialism, and the poor testimony of false Christianity



all contribute to the harsh spiritual climate of our field. As we distribute Gospel tracts, we do so prayerfully; knowing that we can accomplish nothing apart from the work of the Holy Spirit. While most people will not read the tracts they are given, there are exceptions. This past month, while passing out tracts with the assistant pastor of the church we attend, a middle school student passing beside us took the tract he was offered. As he walked in front of us on the crowded sidewalk, we were so glad to see him open the tract and read it for several minutes. It might have been this young man's first exposure to the Gospel! What a joy to be able to deliver the truth to those who need it most!



Recently, as I was returning from tract distribution around a train station near our home, I was feeling a bit discouraged by the difficulty of our mission. Learning the Korean language is challenging, many people here disdainfully refuse Gospel tracts, and the Korean way of thinking is still quite foreign to us. While I was walking, I prayed that the Lord would use our family (in spite of our incompetence) to shine His light in this spiritually dark place. I then turned a corner and passed by a small restaurant. The man sitting outside surprisingly motioned for me to give him my last Gospel tract. After I explained in Korean what the tract was, he asked me to sit down beside him. He had studied English some years prior so we were able to have a conversation in both Korean and English. As we talked, he told me of his life and his struggles to keep his restaurant open. I asked him some spiritual questions. He plainly stated that he was an atheist. I then quoted some Scripture to him in Korean and gave him some biblical reasons to acknowledge the reality of the True God. After some brief interruptions, I was able to share the Gospel in English and in Korean by reading verses to him from our tract. The man gladly conversed with me for some time; however after a while, I could tell his interest was

waning. I left him with the Gospel tract, exchanged phone numbers with him, and asked him to think about our conversation. I returned home rejoicing at the opportunity that the Lord so graciously gave me. It was my first time to share the Gospel without the help of a Korean translator. What a privilege to do what I believe the Lord created me to do—here on the field, communicating the glorious Gospel of Christ to a lost Korean! Please pray that the seed planted in this man's heart would result in his salvation. The spiritual battle for the salvation of precious souls around the world is real. All believers are tasked with proclaiming Christ's Gospel in these last days. If we are to be effective, we must be enabled by the power of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord bless you all as you do your part to obey the Great Commission!

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