



THE *Brown Family* MISSIONARIES TO SOUTH KOREA

"For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." II Corinthians 4:5

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

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Psalm 107:8 says, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" We hope you are well and rejoicing in the goodness of the Lord! September 29th marked the third anniversary of our arrival here in Busan, Korea. As we think about this milestone, our hearts are filled with gratitude to the Lord for His marvelous grace and abundant provision. Looking back, these three years seem to have passed very quickly. While we have certainly enjoyed the journey thus far, we are keenly aware of the seriousness of our mission. In this spiritually dark place with its many challenges, we have been called to fervently yet patiently communicate the Gospel of Christ to the Korean people and work to establish biblical churches. Since arriving here in Busan back in 2017, we have enjoyed the adventure of adjusting to Korean culture. We have committed ourselves to the difficult, life-long task of learning the Korean language. While serving with a veteran national pastor and his assistant pastor, we have learned important lessons about how to witness, counsel, teach, and preach to Koreans in Korean. We still have much to learn, yet we are grateful for the progress that the Lord has helped us to make. In light of our own inadequacy, we continue to trust the Lord to use our family for His glory. Thank you so

much for partnering with us! We greatly appreciate your faithful prayer and sacrificial financial support. We are indeed partners together for the sake of the Gospel of Christ going forth to the Korean people. So that you can perhaps be better equipped to pray for us, we made a new update video that details our life and ministry here in Korea. In this video, we share the plan God has given us for planting a church in the near future. Those who are interested can access the video through our website: gospeltokorea.org



Sarah Distributing Gospel Tracts Last Month



Andrew Distributing Gospel Tracts Last Month

Like you all, we continue to deal with the ramifications of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic. Despite relatively very low numbers of new Coronavirus cases, the government's strong mitigation measures remain in place. We are grateful however, that religious gatherings of fifty or less are now being permitted in our city as long as strict guidelines are followed. This past month we were able to go back out on the streets and distribute Gospel tracts. We praise the Lord for the many souls that received a clear presentation of the Gospel in written form. As the government has pledged to restructure society and permanently reduce human-to-human contact in response to the Coronavirus, we need great wisdom from the Lord as we seek to navigate these challenges and communicate the true Gospel of Christ in these last days.

According to the Scripture, God's plan for missions is the establishment of independent, self-governing, self-replicating biblical churches that faithfully and fervently communicate the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Right now, we are preparing to plant such a church here in Busan. After praying over several areas, we feel the Lord directing us to *Jin-gu*, which is the central district of our city. This densely populated area has many residential neighborhoods while also being an important hub for commerce and transport. We believe that *Jin-gu* will be a strategic location from which we can reach other areas in our city with the truth. We will work to communicate the Gospel as we seek to connect with people and organize Bible studies. Especially

in the beginning, this will likely be a slow process, but we will rely on the Lord to bless His Word and open hearts to the truth. As souls are saved and follow the Lord in baptism, we will then organize into a local church. As we prepare to move to *Jin-gu* in the near future, we need to find a suitable place to live and start a church. Leasing even a small space requires a very large sum of money, which through your support we have been saving for. Please pray that the Lord would guide us very specifically and provide exactly the right place in His perfect timing. Planting a church in this spiritually dark city is not something we can do through our own abilities, yet we eagerly anticipate what the Lord will do through us for His glory. Please pray that the Lord would work through us to build His church in Busan. We will keep you updated as we transition into this exciting new phase of ministry. May the Lord bless you as you serve Him!



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