



Dear Pastor and Church Family,

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Greetings in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. We are so grateful for the privilege to communicate the life-changing Gospel here in Busan while we wait for our Lord's return. Thank you so much for your faithful prayers on behalf of the ministry that our family has been called to! After searching diligently for several months and finding that many building owners would not even consider leasing to someone starting a church, the Lord allowed us to sign a contract on a sixth floor office space located just two minutes walking distance from a subway station right in the center of Busan. The building we have leased is around 1,300 square feet in size and has two restrooms. A national pastor friend put us in contact with a dear Christian brother who works as a professional carpenter in a city about five hours drive from Busan. We were able to hire this brother to come down and build a nursery (which will also serve as a children's Sunday school classroom), an office, and a storage room in our church building. He also made several excellent improvements to the existing interior as well. This dear brother's expertise helped us make wise decisions and therefore save quite a bit of money along the way. While a few tasks still remain before the building is completely ready for use, we are so grateful for how well the remodeling project has turned out so far. Our family is really praising the Lord for answering so many prayers in guiding us to this building! Since a subway station and major bus stops are located close by, it will be fairly easy for those we invite to find their way to the church. We believe the building will prove to be a valuable tool in introducing lost souls to the Word of God, leading them to Christ, and helping them to become His true disciples for the glory of God.

Please continue to pray for us as we labor to plant the Jungbu Independent Baptist Church (중부독립침례교회) of Busan, Korea. (The word *jungbu* roughly translates to "central district.") Sarah and I recently developed a website for the church that includes a thorough presentation of the Gospel, a detailed description of what a biblical church is, and information about our family's mission here in Busan. (The web address is jbibc.or.kr) We have also revised our Gospel tract and hope to receive 20,000 of these new tracts from the printer sometime in the next few days. Recently, I had a long conversation with the coffee shop owner that I had met and briefly witnessed to before. This time I was able to again briefly share the Gospel with him during our conversation. In addition, I was able to witness over the phone again to the Buddhist lady I have mentioned in previous prayer letters. We also hosted a family for a meal at our home last month as well. Sarah and I are praying that each one of these people would come to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and experience the life-changing power of the Gospel. As we work to communicate the Gospel here in Busan, we are constantly aware of our own inadequacy; yet, we are excited about what the Lord will do through us for His glory!

We so appreciate your faithful prayers for our family. By the grace of God we are all well. Each of us continues to work to improve our Korean language proficiency. JoAnn and Hannah are both growing up so fast. Last month Hannah started walking and now wants to walk practically everywhere! JoAnn has learned to read Korean and now enjoys reading Korean books aloud. As she continues to mature we pray that she would trust Christ for salvation soon. Yesterday we went for our annual appointment to extend our visas at the immigration office. This time, after a rather complicated interview with an immigration officer, we unexpectedly received a two-year visa for which we are very grateful. The Lord certainly has blessed us richly! Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and sacrificial financial support!

Your Missionary,

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