



Dear Pastor and Church Family,

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As our Savior's appearance in the clouds for His own continues to draw near, it is our hope that each of you are abounding in the work of the Lord and rejoicing in His blessings. We are so grateful for the faithful prayers and sacrificial support of God's people which facilitate our ministry here in Busan, Korea. The Lord has been so good to our family. We are very thankful for the many undeserved blessings that we have received. In the first week of last month we started the new homeschool year with JoAnn in the fourth grade and Hannah in kindergarten! By the grace of God, they are both off to a great start. Recently, Hannah has been regularly expressing genuine interest in salvation. Each time she mentioned this to us we opened the Scriptures and enthusiastically shared the truths concerning eternal life with her. She seems to be very close to properly understanding her spiritual need. Please pray with us for her. Anna just celebrated her second birthday and is speaking more and more (in English and Korean) each day. By the grace of God, we were able to successfully renew our visas for two more years after a couple of trips to the immigration office and the submission of numerous documents to the authorities. At the end of last month, Sarah and I greatly enjoyed taking our girls on a two-day family vacation to the western coast of Korea. On our drive back home we passed through several smaller cities that we had previously never visited. The Lord blessed our time together and graciously protected us from danger on the road. Despite having to get some unexpected car repairs done along the way it was a very refreshing trip. However, I was struck by the great need that each of those smaller cities that we passed through have for a Gospel preaching church and a faithful missionary or national pastor. Truly the harvest is plenteous but the labourers are few here in Korea. Our own great city of Busan is no exception to this reality, which is why we continue to focus on proclaiming the Gospel as we work to plant the Jungbu Independent Baptist Church for the glory of God. Sadly, so many seem to have hearts of stone and blinded eyes such as one man whom I met recently who boldly professed his faith in a former minor presidential candidate turned cult leader. This cult leader claims to be a god, the savior of the world, and the Maitreya Buddha. It was quite unsettling to see the elderly man that I tried to give a Gospel tract to confidently proclaim his allegiance to this charlatan. Another man that I met recently told me that he had personally founded a new religion. Thankfully this man did receive our Gospel tract and promise to read it. While these are certainly some more extreme examples of spiritual blindness, the reality is that all who are not in Christ are indeed lost and without hope. As ambassadors for our Lord we have a solemn duty to proclaim the truth boldly yet kindly. Please continue to pray that God would enable us, empower us, and grant us the wisdom that we so desperately need as we serve Him. Last month we welcomed two first-time visitors to our services—a young lady from Seoul visiting Busan on vacation who found the church through our website, and a friend of Mr. Choi (the man who has been regularly attending for over a year now). We rejoiced when Miss Kim (the lady who came after receiving a Gospel tract and got saved last year) made the long journey from her home in Gimhae and attended a Wednesday evening Bible study in August, returning to our church after many weeks of absence. Both before and after the service we sought to exhort and encourage her from the Scriptures. We hope to see her again as the Lord allows. Thank you for praying for Mr. Seo (서, can also be spelled in English as "Soh"). He has come regularly since mid-April to our Wednesday evening Bible studies and has heard the Gospel clearly each time; however, he has yet to respond positively to the invitation to turn to Christ and receive eternal salvation. On the last Wednesday evening of August, he told us that he may be leaving Busan soon and going to a smaller coastal city to work in the shipyards for several weeks. Alcohol and cigarettes have brought great harm to his health. We are concerned that he may not have much time left to respond to the conviction of the Holy Spirit. Mr. Seo lives alone and does not have any relatives nearby. He invited me to attend the performance of the men's choral group which he participates in as a hobby. I gladly went last Thursday evening to give my support and afterwards we had a long conversation over coffee. He seemed to be very happy that I came to support him. Sadly, like so many in Korea who identify as non-religious, Mr. Seo thinks that there is good in all religions and is resistant to the exclusive claims of the true Gospel. Please continue to pray with us that he will earnestly consider the truth and ultimately make the decision to trust the Lord Jesus Christ alone for eternal salvation before it is too late. Please also pray that the Lord would bless our evangelistic efforts, help us to connect personally with lost souls whom we might lead to Christ, and send more visitors that have an interest in the truth to Jungbu Independent Baptist Church. Thank you so much for your faithful partnership with us in the Lord's work! May God bless you!

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