

CHINA MAY NEWSLETTER 2016



Intro from Jerry: God bless you. More news from the irrepressible Chinese speaking missionary team of Mike and Polly. Winning hundreds of Chinese a year to the Lord, and ministering to a large flock in both the north and south of the country. They also heal many people in the name of Jesus and AMMC is trying to also sow into their ministry as well as our own. We pray you enjoy this edition!)

FROM MIKE AND POLLY CHINA.

Hi! How are you? We hope you had a very inspiring and fulfilling month!

Thank you again so much for your friendship, your interest and your help to our work here. It is such a big help to us!

We thank you for your prayers for us here too, we truly can feel the difference and are so thankful for them .

The Lord did some wonderful things this month!

OUR LONG TIME FRIEND: One of our most precious long-term friends, who lives in another city, called us at the end of last month from the hospital, she was having severe headaches and the MRI scan showed that she had some serious problems with the arteries going to her brain. We prayed desperately for her and asked other friends to pray as well, and when she did a CT scan a few days later, the results came out totally normal, PTL!

She left the hospital and a couple of days later came to our apartment to stay with us for a week. We had some wonderful times together of Bible study and more prayer for her. It was like a spiritual retreat for her, caring for her physical health, but also helping her with some inner healing issues that she had.

When she arrived at our home, she was still having some light headaches, but after the prayers for her, she said that the pressure that she felt around her head was gone and her headaches had completely disappeared, TYJ!

We also took time to show her around our town, some tourist places, which she enjoyed very much. She said she felt “like a queen” because of the “treatment” she received while she was with us, so sweet. When we had a Bible class with two other friends to receive the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, she also was a real encouragement to them, praise God!

HEALING OF A BRAZILIAN FRIEND IN CHINA!

Another testimony from this month came about when we were attending a gathering with over 10 Brazilian families here. One of the Brazilian women, V., asked us to pray for her back, she has had pain for over 10 years due to a herniated disk. During the prayer she felt heat in her back. She hadn't been in pain at the moment so she said the way she would know if there was any improvement, was if next morning she would get up with no pain, as she has pain every morning. Next morning she texted us saying that she woke up with no pain, she was so thankful. She said that she wants to study the Bible with us!

One other bit of good news is that E., a Chinese lady that was diagnosed with cancer of the colon, whom we prayed for last month together with another Christian couple, is feeling much better and even went to visit her family up north, praise the Lord.

Our Chinese teacher also invited us over to her house again this month, and Mike was able to spend an inspiring time talking about the Lord with her husband (as you may remember, God healed him from rheumatism in his feet when we prayed for him a couple of months ago), who was very happy to receive the Lord into his heart and life after Mike helped him to understand better about salvation.



Mike and Polly with another Christian friend!

OUR 20TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY! SOULS SAVED!

This month we celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary, and wanted to do something special for the occasion, so we went for a short day trip to a nearby city. The Lord gave us beautiful weather, and we had two days enjoying the beautiful nature there: one day on a mountain, over 2,000 meters in height, and then a day at a beautiful lake, riding bikes. On the bike ride we met a very sweet couple, who had just gotten married and were on their honeymoon. They were both so happy to receive the Lord with us. The girl had already had some previous experience with God answering her prayers, which she had shared with her husband. We also told them that we were celebrating our 20th anniversary, emphasizing how wonderful is to have the Lord's love and the power to forgive, which is such a help in keeping a healthy relationship. Also, we gave out tracts to a lot of the people that we met there, many of whom are searching for more in their lives.

PASSING OUT TRACTS.

A couple of days ago, friend invited us to go watch the movie "The Little Prince", and after the movie ended, we passed a few tracts to those around us. One girl just sat back down to read the tract right on the spot. ***We invited her to have a meal together with us and she also was so ready to receive the Lord with us, which she did, Praise the Lord!*** She is a 3rd year master's degree student of music, and it was very interesting to hear, when we asked her if she believes in God, that she mentioned some sayings from the Chinese culture that "God is always watching us" and a few other similar sayings embedded in their culture.

This was especially interesting for us, as we are at the moment attending a course on "Cross-Cultural Communication", taught by a member of the International Fellowship which we attend in our city, which highlights the importance of finding stories in the cultures of those we are witnessing to, that can be a bridge to their understanding and related to the Bible.

So, thanks to the Lord, and also to you, the Lord gave us a wonderful month.

Thank you again so much for all your kindness toward us here, and we pray that the Lord's love, protection, provision, love, grace and peace will surround you every day.

Please send us any prayer request that you might have, we really keep you in our daily prayers.

Much love and prayers and appreciation,

MIKE AND POLLY

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PASTOR, AUTHOR DISHES DETAILS ON BIBLICAL PROPHECY

'I can see happening' what Scriptures say must happen

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War, genocide and chaos are constants throughout human history. Millions of Christians over the centuries have believed, wrongly, they are living in the end times. So why should Christians think today is any different?

Pastor and author Carl Gallups addressed this challenge in a recent appearance on the television program "Jewish Voice with Jonathan Bernis." Gallups argued those walking the Earth today are in a truly unprecedented period of human history.

"We are the only and the first generation in global history, in 2,000 years, to see the return of Israel to the land," Gallups said "That's a 2,500, 2,600-year-old prophecy. An end times prophecy, a last days prophecy. I'm not a date-setter. I'm not an alarmist. I'm a teacher and preacher of the Word, and I'm a student of history and a student of current events. And I can see what the Scriptures say must happen, and I can see what's happening."

The author of "Be Thou Prepared" and other books said several unprecedented occurrences should make the church stand up and take notice.

First, he observed: "You've got Israel returning to the land in 1948. And people say: 'Well, that's ancient history.' Really? It's been less than 70 years! ... It's a flash!"

Second, Gallups said: "Jerusalem is back in the hands of a returned Israel. We're the first generation to see those two things. The only generation."

Third, Gallups argued: "We're the only generation to see the Ezekiel 38 alignment of nations taking place before our eyes. My goodness, Russia and China are in the Middle East, putting their militaries together, on the Euphrates River. ISIS has broken out. Iran, Persia, is making compacts and alignments with Russia. Turkey has become Islamized. These are all prophecies, either very direct in the Scriptures or indirect."

Host Jonathan Bernis concurred with Gallups' analysis, marveling at how so many Christians seem complacent in spite of everything happening in the Middle East.

He compared the attitude of contemporary Christians to that of a frog placed in a pot of water that is gradually heated.

"When you look at the way everything aligns, it's so obvious and yet it's been so gradual in some ways, and now the water's beginning to boil," said Bernis.

Gallups warned Christians not to have a closed-minded view of the prophecy, warning such blindness is what doomed the Pharisees.

"These were the people who were the teachers of Israel, the handlers of the Word, they were the handlers of the prophecies," the pastor explained. "And yet, in the name of God, in the city of God, just outside of the Temple of God, they nailed the Son of God to a cross and proclaimed they were doing God a favor. They had a boxed in view of eschatology and said: 'This is how God has to do it, this is what Messiah will look like, this is what we believe and you don't fit it. Therefore, you are a heretic and we're going to do God a favor and be rid of you.' And they missed it entirely! And that's why I'm saying to the church in America, 'Please let's don't do this.'"

As Gallups observed, in the Bible, life went on as normal for most people right up until the moment of the Great Flood. The temptation, said the pastor, is to believe nothing has really changed.

But Gallups said: "Israel hasn't always been here. Jerusalem hasn't always belonged to a returned Israel. The alignment of the nations has not always been here. China and Russia and Iran have not always been in the Middle East. The Euphrates has not always been alive and exploding with persecution and butchery of Christians and Jews. The hatred towards this returned Israel is at a peak. The hatred at the things of Christ and the things of God is at a peak."

Gallups calls the gradual convergence of signs and events in alignment with prophecy the "progressive revelation principle." He told Bernis that Christians should look beyond the borders of the United States and carefully observe how closely international events are aligning with prophecy.

"The Scriptures, especially end times prophecies, are to be interpreted Middle Eastern first," said Gallups. "In America we think everything needs to be centered on what's happening in America. What's happening in America is Starbucks is opening and there's an NFL football game on TV, so all is right with the world. But that's wrong! All is not right with the world. We look at the Middle East; Christianity is being exterminated. Entire Christian communities, and towns and cities. Eliminated."

However, Gallups argued American Christians may not be isolated from persecution and danger for much longer. He sees the opening stages of Christian persecution in Europe and the United States. And he warns God has never promised Western Christians an easy life.

"We've been steeped in peace and prosperity," said Gallups. "We kind of came to this entitlement mentality, this feeling of we are entitled to the way things are. And I think people think it's going to be this way forever. And I don't see that in the Scriptures. I'm not a gloom and doom prophet, or Chicken Little here. But we're living in prophetic times, so let's just prepare for that, mentally and spiritually, physically and tangibly."

Gallups' book "Be Thou Prepared" is a practical guide for both Christian families and congregations to prepare for persecution, natural disasters and economic instability. But Gallups argues many

Christians are misinterpreting what it means to be prepared for trouble. It's not just about survival, he told Bernis. It's about ministry.

"Let's prepare not to go hide in the woods under a log somewhere, but let's prepare so that when disaster or tough times come, we minister to the love of Christ around us," Gallups said.

"After all, that's what the first century church had to do," he concluded.

TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS THAT WE MAY APPLY OUR HEARTS UNTOI WISDOM. (MOSES PSALM 90:12)

LIFE--- HOW LONG IS YOUR LIFE?

25 years = 9125 days

40 years = 14,600 days

50 years = 18,250 days

60 years = 21,900 days

70 years - 25,550 days

80 years = 29,200 days

90 years = 32,850 days

100 years = 36,525 days (incl leap years)

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