

*"... As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me  
and every tongue shall give praise to God" Rom 14:11* VOLUME 2 ISSUE 9

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& KIM'S

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### PRAYER REQUESTS

- For national believers for us to work with .
- For new language helpers and friends to practice language with.
- For our language learning. That God would bless us with an ear to clearly hear, a mouth to clearly speak, and a mind to understand the language.
- That we are open and responsive to each opportunity that God gives us to share the Gospel and to make new relationships.
- That we are faithful to use our time to draw close to God and allow Him to mold us according to His purpose
- For continued good health and safety in our travels.

### PRAISES

- **"T" has completed a discipleship study with Kim and continues to ride her bike a long way each week to attend a church service.**
- **We have received the official license for an office! (There are still several steps we need to complete but this will enable us to apply for the remaining authorizations)**

### A NEW DAY ...

As we have said before, there is great optimism here that with each month comes new opportunities to share the gospel here. One example of these "new frontiers" we see is the distribution of God's Word and explanation of the true meaning of Christmas to larger audiences than we have ever been allowed to address before. Our hearts desire is to use our business relationships as a vehicle to hold a Christmas party at the factories where we are working and to give each worker there a small "gift".

Looking at it from the States, this would probably seem like a rather small step ... but from here it looks like a God-sized task , one that we have never been able to do before and we ask for you to pray with us. This is exciting because these opportunities are outside the "heart" of the "most progressive city", where local officials carry a tremendous amount of authority and typically keep a very tight reign on all things (particularly religious activity and any foreign influence). It is even more amazing to know that among these factories there are only 2 known believers (and they are hesitant to share their faith because of problems that it would bring upon them) and more than half of them live in an area known to be the heart of a major cult.

Please pray: 1) that He would grant us favor with the factory owners to hold such a party; 2) that local officials who would consider this illegal would be "blind" to this activity; and 3) that the worker's heart would be prepared to receive and respond to the truth.

### FRIEND IN FOCUS ...

We wanted to try something new ... to highlight one person in a little more detail so that you can join us in praying more specifically for them with us. This month we would like to highlight "V".

- She is a twenty something, young lady who is soon to complete her university education.
- She is a relatively new believer but she has been regularly attending services , serving in her church and sharing her faith with friends and family.
- She has completed a course in Discipleship training with Kim and has helped take another new believer through that course.
- Recently one of her friends accepted Christ , and it is so incredible to see the awe, excitement, and hunger she has for the Lord.
- Despite pressure from her family to be a "secret" Christian (because of her father's position, her family must be atheists), she continues to attend and serve at a registered church here.
- Pray for her family, particularly her brother ("B") that he might respond to the gospel and that her parents would also listen to the gospel despite the obstacles.
- Pray that God's will for her life would be made clear to her (Isaiah 30:21) as she seeks employment and possibly more education ... her hearts desire is to study at a Christian university (but that is not possible here) .