



April 11, 2011

**“I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope. My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning...”—Psalm 130: 2-3 (NIV)**

Waiting is not my greatest attribute. We currently have several issues for which we await answers. But everything is in God’s hands, and He is teaching me to trust Him more. Whatever happens, we have the full assurance that our hope is in Him. To God be the glory!

Please continue to pray for the resolution of the building decisions. The building committee finally came up with a consensus, and the controlling decision now rests in the hands of our home office staff. Several have been traveling and are currently involved in some very important organizational meetings. So they have not had adequate time to deliberate. Nor is this a simple decision for anyone as it affects several of our ministries. Pray for wisdom for them.

Also, pray for a court suit brought by one of the school’s former employees who was treated badly by the present school administration. The judge found 3 infractions beyond the official ruling of the Labor Department official who inspected the school’s records and found 7 laws broken. In their last appearance before the judge, he gave the school’s lawyer one last opportunity to ask the employee’s forgiveness and make restitution before their next appearance. He told her publicly that if she did not, the school would be fined between \$1,300-\$3500. She refused. The next court date is April 11, and your prayers are greatly appreciated for God’s truth to be revealed and upheld.

As we await answers, God is working marvelously in other areas. There is a greater demand for English classes with our American teachers. Actually, the demand is so great that I am currently teaching 19 hours a week in addition to my office job. We praise the Lord for this as it is an indication to me that God still wants us here in spite of the complications in getting visas that we have had.

One of my current students is a pilot who wants to fly internationally. He must speak better English before he can get a job. He has already improved to the point where he just passed the first 2 English tests and is scheduled in 2 months to take his third test in English. Please pray for him as he is often very negative. I am no psychologist, but it seems to me as though he has suffered abuse at some time in some form.

Another student is a mining safety engineer who has a good job but in an area where there are no good schools for his son. He has a strong desire to learn English so that he can get a better job elsewhere, perhaps in another country.

Still a third student of mine is teaching at a local trade school. He leaves for England in June to work on a master's degree, and he wants to improve his English before he goes. And his English needs improving!

As you pray, the main prayer for each of these is that God is glorified in all of our discussions. It is amazing how He affects our lives and how He can be brought into conversations in a natural way. Pray that I will take advantage of such opportunities!

As we celebrate Christ's resurrection this month, there is much for which to praise God. Even as we await answers, we can trust that He is working out His best in and through everyone and every circumstance. I continue to remind myself that it was as the disciples mourned their Lord's death when He was actually redeeming all of us. He is an amazing and living Lord.

On my knees before my Risen Lord,



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**BREAKING NEWS!!!** Just before this letter was mailed, two of the parents from the school asked to meet with our field leader, Friendship School's director, and myself. We had a very peaceful meeting during which they offered to purchase the building for a price which would allow us sufficient funds to purchase another building and to take over responsibility of running the school. This is wonderful!!! Join us in praying that we can find a suitable building in good time, and pray that the parents will follow through faithfully.