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We just completed one of our most amazing years ever! For the year, we were able to do three ministry trips to several fields: twice each to Japan and the Philippines, Hong Kong, Saipan, and Tinian. We visited 17 of our BIMI families trying to be an encouragement to them. Instead, they encourage us in all they are doing for the Lord! Also, we had a BIMI Connect Trip to Japan.

The trips resulted in souls saved, wonderful testimonies of God's grace, introducing 10 young people to ministry in Japan, and preaching in a many churches on the field. Your faithfulness gave us amazing opportunities for ministering to hundreds of people in Asia during the year. Our upcoming trip the Philippines in March looks to be an exciting time. We will hold a Field



Conference in southern Mindanao and preach in two missions conferences in Mindanao and Cebu. One will be the very first conference in Brother Peter Denisi's brand new church plant.

With each of these trips and rising costs, we have learned we need to trust the Lord more for our travel needs. He always blesses us in so many ways and you have been a part of that! Your prayers and your giving has allowed us to preach the Gospel in many, many places, see people saved, and scores of churches encouraged! It is thrilling to see God at work around the world! In fact, we would love for you to come go with us on one of our trips! If you would like to help us with this need, read more about this below.

Now for part two of our fall trip report...after spending time with two BIMI ministries (Martins and Frasier), in the Philippines and enjoying a meal with two other families in Manila (Behmans and Catalans - our newest families on the field), we flew to Hong Kong. We found it much more reasonable for us to fly out of Manila to reach other places in Asia.

This was my third trip to Hong Kong, but Jenny's first. In late 2022, I stopped over for a quick visit. (For security reasons, I cannot mention names.) COVID regulations kept the missionary and me isolated in the airport. I dropped off a box of goodies for their kids and was able to check on them to see how they were doing. We met in the departure lobby and talked for four hours. We were not even allowed to go into a McDonalds that was within sight of where we sat. We were both "unclean" (that is what it felt like). He was not



vaccinated producing a red screen on his phone. Something about my entry caused mine to be yellow. Not having a green screen meant we could not go into a store. Imagine that for the entire time



of COVID until late 2022, this family was not allowed to enter stores. They were required to have everything delivered to their home. Amazing!





Thankfully, at the beginning of last year the restrictions lifted! Praise the Lord! It was my second visit to their church, but first time to preach in Chinese! It was amazing! I got to preach in English to their teens and then preach in Cantonese through an interpreter for their Chinese service! A lady trusted Christ that morning and Jenny and I were able to fellowship with this wonderful missionary family! They are an amazing blessing doing a wonderful work for the Lord!

In Hong Kong, their services begin on Saturday morning.

Although they have a Chinese church, they also have a Filipino church. Domestic Helpers, as they are called, work various jobs for years at a time sending money back to their families who are not able to travel with them. These workers are allowed one day off





each week. When they are off, they congregate at various places. This missionary family holds services on Saturday morning for one group and on Sunday afternoon for another group in addition to their Chinese ministry. The room is filled each day with about 50 people each time. They are all Filipinos who have been reached because of this ministry. After preaching, I was able to talk to them about missions and answer questions for about an hour. In two days, I spoke six times.



The prayer letters of this missionary are always filled with stories of souls saved as they minister in a Communist

country that is gradually becoming more difficult. Even in difficult places, God uses His servants to do amazing things as they preach and



teach God's Word. Thank you for praying for these precious servants!

Thank you for your sacrificial giving that enables us to take the Gospel to Asia. For those who would like to help with the increasing

costs of these trips, we have a great need to increase our Care Fund! This is made up of people who want to help encourage missionaries and churches on the field. We do not ask for support for our personal needs, but if you would like to help us with this ministry fund, it would be a huge help and blessing! This fund helps us to take the Gospel to Asia and provide encouragement for missionaries and churches on the field. We are asking the Lord to give us at least 10 churches or families that could help us. As you may know, we do not get a salary or travel reimbursements from BIMI. We have to raise these funds ourselves. Most of the time the funds comes from our regular support, so your help would be very much appreciated. For further information, contact me at dharris@bimi.org. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated.