



Greetings and I hope that you all are having a good week. You should have received a prayer update recently on the work that Mentorlink is doing with Lausanne sharing some of what is happening there. The impact that we are beginning to see worldwide has been exciting with around 300 groups already being established. And the response that we have had from many of those involved has been encouraging. That alone is encouraging, but I believe that the long term relationships that are being established will have a much larger impact in the years to come.

I wanted to give you an update on the work in China as well. First, we have a trip planned the middle of May. We will continue to work with the groups and leaders that we have helped, mostly in Southern China. Our goal for this trip is to meet and mentor leaders that we have been working with but also work along side of them as they train and build others. I would really appreciate your prayers for this, especially for a few key areas. As I have shared with you in the past, one of the key areas is with a large house church network leader who wants to build servant leadership with 100 young pastors and leaders. They will be having a meeting with these leaders when we are there and we have been allowed to work and train with them. We presented servant Christlike leadership with them last year. What we want to see now is how they are really doing with this. This will provide us an opportunity to meet with many of these leaders and help them as they pass on what they are learning.

Another key area is with a Mission sending center targeting the Middle East that we were recently able to build a relationship with. (The leaders are the couple that I shared about a couple of months ago.) We pray to have an opportunity to share not only with the leaders but also those wanting to go into missions to the Middle East. As you know, this is an area where direct evangelism is very dangerous and there is need for a strong witness and servant attitude when going. Our desire is to really help these missionaries know more on how to be a witness while serving, not only with their words but their lives.

A third key area is the seven training centers that we have been working with where we, again, desire to mentor and be with the leaders but also to have those they are training using and training what they are seeing in their own lives.

God has also opened the door to us with another area as well. Last fall we had an opportunity to meet with some top Christian businessmen who have asked us to help them learn more on Christ like leadership. We have 17 key contacts in five cities. There is no way that we can meet with all these leaders at this time, but we are praying that God would lead us to those He wants us to be with at this time. But, we are not doing this alone, there are a couple of key men that are partnering with us in the capital, that are partnering with us. What we need prayer for is help in adapting our material to the business world. Our materials in Chinese are written for pastors and leaders in the church and we need to contextualize it more for the business world in China.

Even in these tough economic times the spiritual opportunities in China continue to expand for us. Please pray for us as it is very tight for us right now but we are doing everything we can with the limited resources that we have.

Thanks so much for your prayer and support, you all are very much appreciated.