

DURING THAT TIME 4 OF OUR CHURCH ENEMIES VISITED US AT THE CAMP-SITE—her parents, her teen counsellor from church & the pastor we had stayed with. They had come many miles to where we were to try & convince Michelle to go back with them. I just had to trust the Lord & pray desperately for her the whole time. They drilled her mentally, emotionally & spiritually, but TYL she stood strong & made it! This went on for hours until it began to get late & I knew my father would be arriving soon. Finally the Lord showed me that I had to put my foot down & ask them to leave our campsite as we had to take care of the children's needs etc. PG, it worked & they finally left.

MY FATHER ARRIVED SHORTLY AFTERWARDS & we all had a very good visit. The Lord did a funny thing to protect our security—That night a rain storm caused a main pole in our tent to break (very odd, as it was a brand new, high-quality tent!) & the whole tent to collapse! So we all moved to a lovely cabin where my father paid the rent & nobody could find us for the rest of his visit!

SINCE THEN WE HAVE SPLIT, making a faith trip all the way across the country during which the Lord provided our every need miraculously each day. It was really mind-blowing for our new disciple Michelle. She says that she learned more Word in one month on the road with us than she had in her whole life at church! We lost all our supporters from the church except for one sweet couple & their daughter, GBT! But we gained an even greater reward, one that we can take to Heaven with us, a disciple for Jesus & David!

WE SURE LEARNED A LOT OF LESSONS, A BIG ONE BEING ABOUT SECURITY! The security letters in Mag 33 came



Katrina & Michael with Paul in their caravan! Photo by Rebecca.

out just after all this had happened & we saw from them some of the mistakes we'd made. For one thing we made long-distance phone calls from two of these systemites' homes. At the time we were very close "friends" & fellow Christians, but "you can always expect a systemite to be delivered from cancer was in Mag 36) & their 4 girls! The Lord had showed John & me over a year ago in Europe that we should work with them, & it just now has come to pass, PTL! We have plane reservations for the 12 of us (6 adults & 6 kids) to leave for South America soon.

WE'RE SO HAPPY TO BE TOGETHER as it's been almost a year since we have been with other brethren. Paul & Michelle, our two disciples won during that time, had never been with other Family members & are so happy now too. And the kids—well, what a powerhouse!

WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR THE SPIRIT OF DAVID which sets us free! We are so anxious to escape from this pit. It's hard sometimes to really express the way I feel about you, Dad & Maria. You are the closest thing to Jesus we have here on earth. I guess this tremendous love for you keeps me more hungry for the Letters too, PTL! Dad, as Sarah called her husband Abraham "Lord", so call I thee. I am yours. Love, Rebecca Caravan. (GBY! Remember, it was the religionists who crucified Jesus because of envy—Mk 15:10.)

Prayer Letters & Church Goin' Pays Off!

CHURCH INVASIONS & DISTRIBUTING PRAYER LETTERS HELP RAISE HOME SUPPORT!

From Bathsheba: U.S.A.:

GILALAI & I HAVE 4 CHILDREN. Vas(7), Jewel(4), Benjamin(2), Christopher(1), & Isaiah works closely with us as parent #3. We are now back in the U.S. about to cross into Mexico with our trailer & van.

TRUST & OBEY & WITNESS:

When we realised we didn't have to do it, that God would do it if we just obeyed, we all learned quite a lesson of faith. We stopped worrying about needs & started trying to witness & minister & obey every check, & we found ourselves loving & talking to people out of pure concern for them.

THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HERE FOR, but we had never captured the joy of it before. Everything became not a way of support but a way of witnessing or a test of obedience. And in the end it reaped much more physical support than if we had only had our eyes on the need. Thank You Lord!

SETTING A DEPARTURE DATE:

We began our push for leaving for Mexico by setting a departure date. Gilalai, Isaiah & I had each separately read a testimony in which a couple set a date to start being mobile, & it had inspired each of us to also want to get definite with the Lord. After prayer the Lord laid a date on our hearts two months away. We started planning each week with more care to get everything done as soon as possible, & we made much more progress this way.

MAIL MINISTRY & OUR PRAYER LETTERS:

Isaiah & I had a real burden for the mail ministry. We put out a bi-monthly prayer letter with stats, photos, testimonies & simple Bible verses like Prov. 11:30 & Phil. 4:19. Everytime we would make an

improvement in these the Lord would show us something else to make it more effective.

Our most recent one was done as a 4-page including a pledge card with lots of photos & a short text of our past missionary work & present goals of going to Mexico, plus a total of souls saved, literature distributed & persons witness to during our stay in this state. (Send us one!)

WE DISTRIBUTED THESE ALONG WITH OUR LIT to all those who were interested. After this we received an anonymous \$50 in the mail. TYL!

PROVISIONING: We faithfully sent thank you letters & prayer letters to everyone we provisioned from & were surprised to find that many became steady contacts thru this type of ministering.

We spent lots of time with people at the market who donated food, & two of them became \$50 a month supporters.

Others pledged money or materials.

INVAIDING THE CHURCHES:

At first we all balked at the idea of invading churches. We left intending to be on the road to Mexico, & less than one month later our van limped back with what sounded like only 2 cylinders firing on our newly overhauled engine.

WE WERE DISCOURAGED & HAD NO MONEY, but we decided to invade our first church.

Even though it did not receive us warmly, it was a step of obedience, & the Lord used it to enable us to meet other more receptive Christians who became supporters.

IT TOOK US AWHILE TO GET INTO THE SWING OF THINGS,

but we were convicted by "Golden Opportunities" to follow-up immediately on invitations. Gilalai was able to fix our van himself.

but the Lord showed us that He had used it to bring us back here to invade the churches.

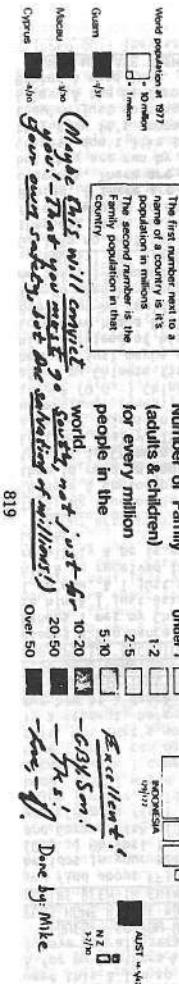
ISAIAH STARTED CALLING UP SOME CHURCHES OUT OF THE PHONE BOOK as well as those we were referred to while witnessing. The pastor would either want to meet us first or just invite us to an evening service. The kids sang, Gilalai gave our testimony, Jewel passed out prayer letters, & afterward a love offering was collected for us.

WE WOULD ALSO COLLECT PLEDGES or addresses. In 2 churches that didn't help, the Lord had someone behind us give us 2 checks, one for \$20 & one for \$50. These people were really impressed by our sample with the kids just sitting in church, TYL, & they also pledged support.

LITNESSING: The amount of witnessing we did was our main testimony, as the children won lots of souls & could show the church people how to witness. We had pictures of them praying right on the street with people, & during the 9 months that we were in that city we distributed 52,719 pieces of lit, witnessed to 16,350 people & won 1,316 souls, mostly due to the kids boldness & sample.

WE GOT OUT LITNESSING WHEN EVER WE COULD. One woman gave us a \$100 check right in a parking lot & another man turned out to be a very precious jewel, having faith in us in spite of others' skepticism. He helped with hundreds of dollars in equipment & funds. We always tried to be sure that our witnessing was real witnessing & not just fund-raising, & the Lord really blessed the extra time spent with people loving them & trying to meet their needs. TYL!

(Ames! CEY! He never fails!)



June 81
Where we are!

OUR GIRL IN CHINA! --Gives Her Story in Hong Kong!--A Thriller!
(-She's beautiful & so precious!-TYL! GBH!)

1981

HELLO! I WANT TO SAY GBY DAD & ALL THE don't know how. Because on the political FAMILY EVERYWHERE. My husband & I are in side, Chinese aren't interested in poli-Red China, & this is very exciting. We are tics anymore because it just doesn't give there already for six months, & I'm very happy to have this opportunity now to be living.

SO THEY COME TO YOU, & ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE A FOREIGNER, THEY EXPECT SOMETHING

FROM YOU. The first thing they expect is know where to start because it's just a that you have a lot of money & you have miracle how we got there & all the things the Lord is doing there.

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I NEVER EXPERIENCED THIS BEFORE HOW OPEN PEOPLE ARE JUST FOR LOVE, because in the past, the Chinese through the Cultural Revolution & everything have had so many bad experiences, their whole life is just torn apart, & now they are so open & they're just asking "Why are we living, anyway, & for what?" Everywhere you meet Chinese they just look at you & they expect something from you.

WE ARE NOW WORKING ALSO AS TEACHERS, & in a school if you work as a teacher, one of the first questions the Chinese students ask you is, "What is God & who is He? We just want to know about Him." They just ask you these questions, so right away you can start witnessing, & it's just amazing how these people are! So during your teaching you just talk about the Lord & they ask you questions & it's just wonderful!

THOSE FOUR CHINESE WHO RECEIVED THE LORD, THEY'RE ALSO STUDENTS & one of them is just a little girl & she is so hungry & she's just observing everything you tell her, she's just sitting there with open eyes & just reading the Bible the whole day almost, really, because Chinese don't work so much. Before I came to China, I always thought Chinese are always working to, & never have time to do anything else, & they don't like to dance, & they don't like to talk to you, but this is just not true.

WHEN I CAME TO CHINA, MY FIRST IMPRESSION WAS THAT THE CHINESE ARE SO DIFFERENT THAN I ALWAYS EXPECTED THEM. They just want to live, they want to be happy, they want to enjoy their lives, but they

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HAVE LIVED TOGETHER WITH PEOPLE OUTSIDE THE FAMILY. It is very interesting & I must say I can understand the people much better, because it's so different not to live right in the Family in a big Home. Before, I always lived together with a lots of brothers &