



Dear Prayer Warrior,

Greetings from Hong Kong! We just wanted to take a moment to say **a huge thank you** for your continued prayer and financial support. These past twelve months have been amazing. We have seen the Lord working in us and through us in incredible ways (see 2008 ministry report below). We want to praise Him and give glory to His name for all He has done. And, we want to tell you that we really appreciate you for standing with us in partnership as we work to see our Father's kingdom come to Hong Kong and Asia, on earth as it is in heaven.

Chinese New Year is just around the corner (January 26-28) so we also want to wish you *Happy Chinese New Year*. We pray Father's abundant blessings on you as you walk with Him in an ever deepening relationship this year.

2008 Ministry Report

First, let us start by giving you a quick summary of some of the things you helped us to accomplish last year...

1. Completed the writing of an Oral Learners Leadership Curriculum. We wrote 490 pages, 236,649 words, 1,053,434 characters (not including spaces), and created 680 PowerPoint slides.
2. Held our annual Village Outreach during Chinese New Year celebrations. Once again we painted faces and made balloon animals. This year some people took the tracts that we had on our table.
3. Served on Hospitality Team for Million Leaders Mandate (MLM) Notebook 4 (January) and 5 (June) Hong Kong Conferences. The MLM continues to be well supported here in Hong Kong.
4. Taught MLM in three (3) local churches in Hong Kong.
5. Initiated and completed project to translate MLM materials into Nepalese.
6. Initiated dialog with Thomas Nelson publishers to translate Dr. John C. Maxwell's books into Nepalese.
7. Attended EQUIP Regional Meeting in Singapore.
8. Attended Counseling in the Chinese World (CCW) and Pastors to Missionaries – Asia (PTM Asia) conferences.
9. Found an organization to sponsor our Long-term Hong Kong Visas. Praise the Lord! It has been a while.
10. Developed discipleship training materials and taught them in a local church in Hong Kong.
11. Began writing our first discipleship focused book which we hope to self-publish in the first half of 2009.

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2009 Ministry Plans & Goals

We are very excited about what we believe the Lord is leading us to do this year. Allow us to just highlight two of our main goals for the year.

1. **Launch Bible School:** A number of the refugees that we work with have asked about further Bible School training. In January we are launching a Bible School using the [Global University](#) curriculum which is a correspondence based program that is fully accredited. This will allow our students to work towards receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Bible & Theology. So far, we have seven (7) confirmed students, with a possible three more. A three credit hour course costs about USD \$40.00.

Please pray that the funds would come in so that all the students who want to participate can. Pray also for the students for wisdom and understanding, as the courses are in English and most of them are not native English speakers.

If you would like to help cover the costs of this training, you can do so on our website at [this link](#).

2. **Launch Million Leaders Mandate in Nepal:** Our second big project for the year is to launch the Million Leaders Mandate (MLM) training in Katmandu, Nepal. This project has two aspects to it.

Firstly, we need to print notebooks in Nepalese. This year we need to print at least the first two (2) notebooks. And, we will need a minimum of 4000 copies of each. Through our contacts in Nepal we can print them at a cost of about 42 US cents per book. That means we need to raise about USD \$3,360.00 this year, and the next two years (that is about USD 10,000.00 total for the project).

Secondly, we will make two trips to Nepal this year. The first is already scheduled for March 17-24, and the second will be sometime in September or October. The trips will cost us about USD \$2,500.00 per trip - that includes airfare, food, lodging, local transportation, and other miscellaneous expenses.

If you would like to partner with us to train leaders in Nepal, you can do so by [clicking here](#) to make a donation online at our website.

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Prayer Requests

Please stand with us in prayer for the following:

1. **Karen's Health:** Karen has been having some problems with her hip which have affected her lower back and groin area. She has been in quite a bit of pain and discomfort, but has seen the doctor and been to three sessions of physio which is helping. Please pray for a complete healing and recovery.
2. **Trip to Thailand:** We leave for Thailand in about 30 minutes. We are going to have a 7 day holiday and then attend our first annual regional meeting with our new sponsors. Please pray for safe travel and that we have a good rest. We need it.
3. **Chinese New Year Outreach:** Less than a week after we get back from Thailand we have our annual village outreach. Please pray with us that many would be touched by the Lord this year as we paint faces and make balloon animals. Also pray that those who come to our table will pick up and read the tracts that we have available.
4. **Bible School:** Please pray for the students as they begin to go through the materials for the first course which is *New Testament Literature* - a survey of the historical, social, religious and geopolitical backgrounds to the New Testament, as well as a brief introduction to the books of the New Testament. Pray that all of them would be able to understand and grasp the concepts quickly. Pray that they would not be "intimidated" or discouraged by the English. Pray that the finances would come in for all the students.
5. **MLM in Nepal:** Please pray for our *Nepal* projects related to the MLM program - the printing of the notebooks and our travel to Nepal in March. Please stand with us in prayer for the funds to come in.

Thanks again for your prayers and support. You are making a difference in our lives and in the lives of those we are ministering to. We pray that Father will richly bless you in return for your generosity toward the people of Asia.

Blessings,

Stephen & Karen

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