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耶稣回答說:「凡喝這水的還要再渴;人若喝我所賜的水就永遠不渴。我所賜的水要在他裏頭成為泉源,直湧到永生。」節期的末日,就是最大之日。耶稣站著高聲說:「人若渴了,可以到這裡來喝。信我的人就如經上所說:從他腹中要流出活的江河來。」約翰福音 4:13-14;7:37-38

神的應許永不落空

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在每天的讀經靈修時,我總是喜歡從當天所 讀的經文,抓住一些可以引導我,及鼓勵我的應許 來作為一天的開始。

天下萬事都會變,天氣在變,事業在變,流行 在變,觀念在變,容貌在變,每個時代都會變,整 個世界都在變,只有神的話語永遠不改變。

我們都是非常的希望自己可以有更多的精力和時間去做更多的事,但是隨著時間一天一天的過去,我們發現自己越來越老。老化是我們生命的一部分,(林後4:16)"所以我們不喪膽。外體雖然毀壞,內心卻一天新似一天。"

我們的身體雖然會一天比一天的老化,但是我們的心靈卻可以越來越親近主。<u>大衛</u>在年輕的時候,神與他同在,幫助他殺死了巨人<u>哥利亞。大衛</u>年老的時候,神仍然與他同在,幫助他穩固江山,並且預備建造聖殿的材料。



(詩 37:25) "我從前年幼,現在年老,卻未見 過義人被棄。也未見過祂的後裔討飯。"這是一句 多麼令人振奮的應許。無論我們變得老了,頭發白 了許多,生活也改變了,但神永遠沒有改變,祂的 應許永不落空。

當<u>大衛</u>在年老回想他過去的日子的時候,<u>大衛</u>發現神是那麼信實的眷顧著他。<u>大衛</u>回顧他起起伏伏的人生,得到了一個意想不到的結論,就是神一直的與他同在,神從來沒有撇棄屬祂的人。

在<u>大衛</u>的生平中,他也有心灰意冷的時刻,他常常遇到挫敗,陷在疑雲黑霧裡,不過神一直與他同在。當<u>大衛</u>逃避<u>掃羅王</u>,躲在山洞裡的時候,神也在那裡。神沒有在<u>大衛</u>受挫灰心失望的時刻丟棄他。

在<u>大衛</u>的一生中,他也有不順服神而犯罪的時刻。而神也對付了<u>大衛</u>的罪,<u>大衛</u>為了他所犯的罪而被追趕,受了許多的苦。然而,神沒有因為<u>大衛</u>犯了罪而撇棄他,神還是接納了他。<u>大衛</u>的救恩全在於神的恩典,而不是在於他的好行為。神信實的持守著祂的應許。有罪神必定要追討,神必須管教<u>大衛</u>,但神從來沒有撇棄過他,這就是神的應許永遠都是是的。

當我們拒絕承認自己的過犯時,神管教我們, 這是証明祂與我們同在,而不是與我們對立,神要 我們安息在祂的應許裡。神關注我們生活的需要, 耶穌在十字架上為我們成就了偉大的救恩,因為我 們人類最需要的就是救恩。 大衛回顧他漫長豐富的一生,認定神從來沒有 撇棄過他,並且神供應他每一個的需要。儘管大衛 的一生反覆無常,又數度失敗,神還是以恩典和奇 妙的方式眷顧他。

願我們大家都願意將我們的生命交給耶穌, 有一天我們也可以像<u>大衛</u>一樣的說:"我從前年 幼,現在年老,卻未見過義人被棄。也未見過祂 的後裔討飯。"

> 有誰能掌握?有誰可依靠? 亙古到永遠,耶穌不改變。 昔在今在以後永在,耶穌不改變, 昔在今在以後永在,耶穌可依靠。



教會圖書館

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席多年,在各地擔任佈道會、培靈退修會講員。著有《真理的追尋》《苦難的尋思》《愛的真相》 《善惡的省思》《生命的追尋》等書(皆由宇宙光 出版)。

【生命的追尋】

斯哲亞里斯多德在《形而上學》一書中說:「所有的人,都有求知的慾望。」人所共有求知的本能,其實就是一種「求生」的本能;人活著,就會本能地尋找他的上帝,尋找永生。當人找到了這指引生命的真光,就不再徘徊在黑暗裡,而是步進了光明,同時也就出死入生了。

在本書中,筆者提出一些人生中其他共有的追 尋——喜樂、平安、自由、知識、成就、永生、來 源、神明等等的本能,這都是造物主內建在人的心 中,催逼我們來到祂的面前,好教我們發現只有祂 自己才是這些渴望真正的滿足。

從科學實證舉例,並且旁徵博引、及於文學哲學各個人文領域;學理清晰淺出,文筆犀利風趣, 讓讀者在會心一笑裡,完成重要的人生追尋之旅。

【摘自:宇宙光出版社網路】



我們的下一代 ◆趙常國

近日教會的英語,青少年及兒童事工都有所變動.有見及此,教會急切地成立了委員會處理一切事工.

並全面檢討現在及將來發展的方向, 史傳 道也一連在兩個主日崇拜中用神的話語述說教 導青少年及孩童的要訣. 昔日<u>竇燕山</u>教子有義 方, 也有<u>孟</u>母三遷並斷機教子之說, 可見父母的 用心良苦, 而今天亦有很多"虎爸, 虎媽", 可 知教養青少年及孩童古往今來都是很大的課 題.

"教養孩童,使他走當行的道,就是到老他也不偏離"(箴言 22:6). 當然參與青少年及兒童工作的弟兄姊妹都很用心教導也付出很大的愛心. 但教養孩童主要是家長的責任,每星期在教會一天或兩天的聚會絕不能取代家裡父母的教導. 今天教會有極大需要大家參與英語青少年及兒童事工,結合教會與家庭的努力將孩子們帶到神的愛裡.

1. 用神的話為支柱 2. 用愛心給我們力量. 對待每一位小朋友都像是自己的子女來教導使 他們對神的話到老也不偏離. 除了神的話為支 柱外, 我們也要加上一些能幫助解決他們在生 活上切實的問題或挑戰, 並成為他們的朋友建 立流暢的溝通管道. 多年前在一宗教刊物看到 一幅漫畫, 有一飢餓的乞丐在地上求食物, 剛有 一基督徒路過, 他馬上將手上的聖經給那乞丐 並對他說: 你有神的話永遠不餓了. 作者給基督 徙一個很大的省察也提醒我們要有智慧地為主 作工. 有一首聖詩這樣說" how do you tell a hungry man about the bread of love? How do you tell a thirsty man about the living water of the Lord?"(你怎 樣告訴一位飢餓人甚麼是靈糧?你怎樣告訴一 位乾渴的人甚麽是主的活水?) 大家可能有不同的看見, 我沒有答案, 只是提供給大家思考.

去年,機緣巧合遇上了一位過去教會的青 少年與她分別廿多年了回來紐奧良探親,我們 相約在公園會面,她帶著丈夫及兒子們一同前 來,我們互道往來但並無一點陌生感覺,話後並 拍照留念,分手後我將照片從手機傳給她,不久 她也傳給我一短訊: "Thanks, Uncle Cookie. It was so good to see you after all these years. Thank you for investing in me and my sisters during our formative years. Your teaching and wisdom helped shaped me into the person I am today. I've passed along your teaching to my sons too. For example, they have learned from a young age the difference between "need" and "want". Please let us know if you are ever in............."謝謝叔叔,這麽多年以後見到你真 是太好了. 感謝您在我們的成長期間教導我和 我的姐妹. 你的教導和智慧幫助塑造了今天的 我. 我也把你的教訓傳給了我的兒子們. 例如, 他們從小就學到了"需要"和"想要"之間的 區別. 如果您來……. 請告訴我們."

看了這短訊後心裡很驚訝, 她是一位很聰 穎的孩子我絕不懷疑她對我的尊敬. 但驚訝的 是她已年將四十, 並且是兩個孩子的母親. 但還 記着孩提時與老師討論的議題, 不單是持守並 傳給她的孩子!

拿這故事來與大家分享是希望大家認識到 我們在孩子面前的一言一語,一動一靜都印烙 在他們的心靈裡.在他們成長期中我們給他們 灌輸的一切對他們的一生影響深遠."行公義, 好憐憫,存謙卑的心,與你的 神同行"(彌迦書 6:8).讓我們拿出最好的獻給神,也用最大的愛 心來服事我們的下一代.



讀 經 隨 想

◆汪國順

最近國內流行一種說法,那就是"好好地活,慢慢地老,快快地死"。

"好好地活" 指的是把握現世光陰,享受一切可以享受的。因為今生過去,再無來世。在這種現時哲學的指導下,人們都活在當下。不求天長地久,只求曾經擁有。"慢慢地老" 指的是希望衰老遲些到來。因為人老了,就沒有價值。自覺無用,兒女也嫌棄。"快快的死" 指的是難熬疾病痛苦的折磨,死亡臨近的恐懼。快快地了斷是最好的解脫。想想一個世俗的人生是何等的無奈,不堪,和可憐!

年少的時候,總覺得時光無盡,隨意而行。 人生就像一葉浮萍,飄蕩不定。心靈的空虛總也無 法填滿。追求得到的一切都不能使自己滿足。直到 有一天我遇見了耶穌。那是來美國多年以後。從此 生命有了亮光。那光一直照亮我前行。現今,我也 慢慢步入中老年人的行列。對人生的思考變得更加 的真切。生命的終點好像不再遙遠。父母業已作 古,下一個輪到的就應該是自己了。不知不覺中, 人生好像已過正午,接下來的就是日落西山,暮鐘 殘陽了。每每想起就更覺光陰緊迫。

耶穌說:"復活在我,生命也在我,信我的人,雖然死了,也必復活。凡活著信我的,必然不死"。對這段經文我很長時間不得其解。有一天在準備慕道班查經時,重讀《創世紀》。我突然領悟

到,人既然是上帝的創造,肉體靈魂都屬祂。神愛世人甚至賦予人自由選擇的權力,好叫人有發自內心,自覺自願的崇拜。有些人選擇順服神,可惜也有很些人選擇悖逆神。其實神造每一個人都有其獨特的目的。在祂的生命冊裏,每一個人都有獨特的使命。只有信基督的時刻尋求神,求問當做的事。不信基督的個人偏行己路,隨心所欲。所以基督的的人生是一種有使命的人生。這種人生帶給他們是不動搖的信念信心,屬天的自我肯定,自律的自我完善,不是神的人擁有的是屬世的人生。他們追求自我價值和自我存在感。尋求別人和社會的肯定。行事爭競攀比。雖也有短暫快樂,但內心常被愁苦刺透,且無法安慰。就像聖經裏所描述的:一生所經誇的不過是勞苦愁煩,轉眼成空,便如煙而去。

人死了真的一了百了嗎?哪裏才是靈魂的歸依?信神的人死後,上帝將其靈魂召回天家,與永生神在一起。所以基督徒的人生是一個沒有死亡,沒有終點的人生。在世生命完結之後,在天生命又剛剛開始。經常見證基督徒面對死亡,就像等待回家一樣。並且基督徒之死對於活著的人來說只是短暫的分別。將來還有一天在天家相見。"凡活著信我的,必然不死"就可以理解了。也看過不少世俗的葬禮。完全是一場悲哀至極,陰陽相隔,永無相見的訣別。可見只有在基督裏,才能超越死亡。

我經常對慕道的朋友說: "人生是一條不歸路。不同的人可以伴你走不同的一段路,但是沒有人能陪你走到底。只有上帝能陪你,且陪你到底"。對於屬神的人,無論走到哪裏都有上帝的同在。這才是人生最大的祝福。

2017 Taiwan Mission Testimony



by Catherine Ng

This mission trip has taught me a lot and exceeded my expectations. There were two events that impacted me the most. The first

one was being on the core prison ministry team and playing the keyboard. This trip was important to me because it was my first time visiting the prison and meeting prisoners. I was able to experience God's love through spending hours rehearsing together with other brothers and sisters, meditating to the lyrics, observing the reactions of the prisoners, listening to testimonies, and seeing how all the work we put in came together. Most of all, it was the heart and sacrifice of the brothers and sisters of the team that touched me the most. We all served with such joyful hearts, bringing the gospel to others. As our mission and goal was to preach the love of God to those who may never have heard of him, I myself was touched as I saw and felt the love of God through this experience.

The second event was working alongside

the youth throughout the trip. Even though I went to Taiwan to serve, I felt that I received a lot more as a result. I enjoyed my time in VBS interacting with the kids and received lots of love. It was a good reminder to me why it is so important to instill the knowledge of God and His sacrifice to children at a young age as they are continually being shaped by their experiences throughout their lives. Cleaning up the schools everyday was the most challenging part physically but the camaraderie and energy of the youth gave me motivation and reminded me how to serve joyfully as Jesus has served us.

Almost everyday, both the English and Taiwanese youths have their own Bible Study or worship time. I again was touched and reminded that our God is a global God and fellowship is really important to the spiritual growth of every follower of Christ. So I'd like to thank those who have faithfully worked behind the scenes putting the mission trip together through hard work and love as well as the church for giving us scholarship & the opportunity to go and be blessed as we bless others.



2017 Jaiwan Mission

◆By Yayan Lin / (English translation by David H Lee)

People always look forward to travel, especially to a trip with special significance, worthy of inspirational

longing. I was looking forward to this mission trip because it would be my first far away journey from home to a place I had never been before. But the trip did not start out easy. When I arrived at the airport to board the flight to Taiwan, I found out that there was something wrong with my ticket which prevented me from boarding the plane. I desperately asked the airline agent to correct my ticket and change my flight, but it was to no avail. Upon return to home, I asked an auntie at the church (NOCBC) to help resolve my ticket problem. She called the airline but could not solve on the problem on the phone either, so we went straight to the airport. We found an agent willing to help me to change the ticket. Again, after multiple calls, it seemed like there was no hope, but thank God that he did not give up. He found a ticket manager who was able to solve the issue and book me on a flight the next day. I felt that God was willing to correct the mistake I made on the purchase of the ticket and allow me to participate in this wonderful mission.

I arrived to Taiwan very late, but our church auntie and uncle stationed there were willing to pick me up from the Taiwan airport and escort me to the train station for a train bound for Hualien. I was very touched and finally felt happy. It was encouraging to know that in faith, despite low and discouraging sentiments, there would always be guidance to the right path no matter what could happen to you. During this mission I had the opportunity to go the local prisons with the mission team. I felt the strong team spirit in our group. On the first day, everyone had to go to the rehearsal to practice music which lasted until the late evening. I was not familiar with many of the songs—some of which I had never heard of. When we got to the first prison, we started singing, praising and evangelizing. We sung for more than an hour, and I found that some of prisoners started to follow us in singing. I felt that God used our songs to tell the prisoners they would still have hope despite their impossible situation. We went to three more prisons over the next few days to proclaim the Gospel.

During the mission, due to the fact that we all came from different places (different cities of the US, Hualien, and Kaohsiung) we started working together first as new friends until we became old acquaintances at the end. Everyday our schedule was full but everyone completed his/her own assigned duties. I felt that God really wanted us to spread the Gospel to every corner of the earth. During our last week in the city of Ruisui, many team members became sick with the cold, some with high fever. They had to rest, so it effectively decreased the number of people who could work in the mission field.

Despite their sickness, some insisted to continue teaching at the school. Even the school children noticed that their teachers were tired and sick-looking, and recommended the teachers and helpers to rest. Over the next few days, most team members recovered and resumed their assigned duties. We thanked God for his blessings, allowing us to recover our strength and mind in order to face new challenges.

Two-week period is not short or long, but through it I have learned from others to always have faith for the future. During this mission I saw God's work shining in everyone. It allowed me to know Him better and understand how mighty He truly is. I know that, though we reside in different places, we will always have the same faith in our Lord.

人們總是對旅行有一份期待,尤其對於一趟 附有特殊意義的旅程,更是令人滿懷憧憬。我對這 次的 Mission Trip 也是滿懷期待,因為這是我第一 次自己一個人出遠門,還去一個從來沒有去過的地 方。當天到機場,我的機票出了一點事情導致最後 上不了飛機。然後我就打電話盡力讓他們給重新安 排一下,可是他們還是不幫我解決問題。回家後我 找到教會的一位 auntie 來幫忙,看看能不能幫我問 一下解決這個飛機票的問題。 結果後來打電話沒用 我們就去了機場。機場找到了一位員工,他還是比 較樂於助人,來幫我看看能不能把機票改正一下。 他幫我打了好多個電話,到最後有點沒希望了,可 是他不放棄找了另外一個處理機票的人來幫忙看, 到最後他們給我了找了個明天就可以飛的航班。這 讓我感覺到了神是真的希望我能參加這次的活動, 也願意幫我糾正我的錯誤。

我來到台灣已經很晚了,但是 Auntie 和 uncle 們還是願意來接我送我去下一個站點。讓我

覺得很開心,就算之前有那麽多的不滿情緒低落,

但看到這個我覺得不管自己做什麼,都會有人在慢慢的指引你走正確的方向。這次有機會去了短宣隊往常要去的監所事工。我感覺看到了團隊精神,每個去的人要練習,可能是一個晚上的練習,每個人還是堅持到最後。有些歌我不熟,更甚至的我根本沒聽過。去了監所,我們在那裡唱詩歌傳福音,一開始感覺他們根本沒在聽我們唱的或者我們做的見證;但是我們在那裡連續唱了一個多小時,我發現有些人他們都會跟著我們一起。讓我感覺到了神有在用我們唱出的詩歌來告訴這些犯罪的人,他們還是有希望的。我們還去了去了三個不同的監所。

在短宣期間因為那裡的每個人都來自於不同的地方,有美國的,有花蓮的,有高雄的。我們都是從一開始不認識一起做事情,到最後我們認識對方。我們每天的行程是幾乎滿滿的,但是就算再累每個人還是做了自己需要做的事情。這讓我感覺到神是真的希望我們能把祂的話語傳遞給身邊的每個人每個角落。到最後一週的最後一個地點,很多人都生病了感冒了發燒了這讓我們本來沒有很大的團隊人員變得越來越少,因為他們都來不了,但是有的團體成員還是堅持感冒還要去學校上課。這期間這群學校裡的小朋友知道了這些成員生病,還叫他們好好休息。隔天基本上的成員都勉強可以起來做我們沒做完的事情,這讓我感覺到了神會祝福我們每一個人,讓我們有更好的精神和狀態來迎接新的挑戰。

短短兩週說長不長說短不短,這讓我們有了 更多對別人的認識,和對未來充滿信心。我感覺到 了通過這次的旅程,讓我看到了神在每個人身上, 也讓我進一步的認識祂,知道祂的能力有多麼的 廣。我知道我們雖然在不同的地方,但是我們信同 樣的主。

2017 Taiwan Mission

◆Wenxin Zhou

This is my fourth time being a part of the Taiwan Short-Term Mission trip. Faith, Hope and Love (FHL) Academy is our second location this year. It is also the place where the team first started serving in Taiwan several years ago. The academy is a boys' home, and the boys ages from 12 to 18. The boys may not be what we are used to in the U.S. They are not so well-behaved or cooperative, but that did not stop God from loving them. They may act tough and mean, but that's because of the environment in which they grew up. Some of them come from a broken family. Most of them don't have the loving support we get at our home. They have to act tough, not because they want to, but because they have to. They can't show their kid's side because they have been forced to grow up almost instantaneously. Therefore, the boys there in the academy usually shield themselves and refuse to open themselves up to others. They withhold their emotions, knowing that the more they show, the more likely they will be hurt.

It took four years to get some of them to open up to me. The boys all appreciate what we do for them and actually all look forward to that one week of the year when we come back, even though they might not show it. They all love us and are thankful for everything we are doing for them. They are always excited to see old faces because to them, that's a sign of caring and trust.



Through and because of God, we have become good friends, and the relationship is still solidifying. God has used His amazing power to unite and connect us. I am thankful to the Lord for all the connection and friendship I received there. And I am also thankful to God for softening and opening their hearts.

Something special happened to me at the academy this year. The Lord called me and spoke to me that it was time to publically proclaim my faith in Jesus Christ and testify His love for me. On Sunday, July 23, 2017, I was baptized during worship at the FHL. I was born again in Christ Jesus. I am thankful that Jesus died on the cross for me, though I am a sinner. I am thankful for His never-ending embrace whenever I mess up. I am thankful for the change of heart in me. I am thankful to God for this amazing opportunity to serve. The list of thanksgiving could go on forever. Our God is a living God. He cares for us and listens to our prayers. Let us always abide in Him.

我的生命其實非常的平凡,我沒有拯救過地球也沒有做過什麼毀滅世界的事情。我只是一個平凡的中國男孩移民到美國。

我從國中開始去教會,但是我都一直是斷斷續續的去教會。我並沒用堅定的信念,也沒做好準

備去全身心的投入。一開始移民到美國時很難,我 那個時候的英文可能比你們還差。上課的時候就像 桌子椅子一樣呆呆的坐在那裡,一點也不動。存不 存在並沒用太大的意義。久而久之我就開始懷疑自 己為什麼存在,可能我不在了一切就會好起來。

然而這一切都在四年前決定參加台灣短宣後 改變了。那次的短宣是我第一次感覺到神的存在, 以及他對我們的愛。那次的短宣是我第一次感覺到 神的存在,以及他對我們的愛。我們可能有著不同 的背景身分,但是神知道並且認識每一個人無論是 從前,現在還是將來。我們可能常常讓祂失望,但 是祂從來都不會放棄我們,反而在我們失落的時候 張開雙臂歡迎我們。可能有時候我們會把神拋到腦 後,但是這並不會影響祂愛我們的心。 生活中充滿了難題和考驗,但是不論什麼時候神都和我們同在。無論是生活中的酸甜苦辣鹹,開心的,難過的,祂都是也都將會是那個愛我們的天父。這個神是我願意用我的生命,我的心,我的靈,我一切來服事的真神。還記得四年前我見證了幾位學園學生的洗禮,我還告訴自己也想在這裡接受我的洗禮。

現在我站在你們面前,見證神對世人的愛又何嘗不是被回答了的禱告,被遵守的承諾。我想對所以幫助過我的人說聲謝謝,謝謝你們讓我能夠堅定的走這條神的路。我感謝神安排你們出現在我的生命中。如果沒有你們沒有神,也就沒有現在的我。



2017 Taiwan Mission Testimony

By Victoria Chan

This was my third year joining the mission to Taiwan with NOCBC. After so much experience, I thought I

could not possibly learn anymore than I did already from the past two years. But of course, I was wrong. During this mission, I felt humbler and closer to God.

I got really sick in the middle of the second week of mission this year. I felt depressed that my body was so weak and powerless against diseases. All I wanted was to do my part teaching the children and know them better. Fortunately, this suffering experience only brought me closer to God because I learned to trust Him more and let Him heal me. When I was finally well enough to go back and teach on the last two days, my

class greeted me with excitement because they missed me. Even though I had only met them for one day before I became sick, they still missed me. Some of my students would message me online to see if I was feeling better throughout the week. I learned that it is important to build relationships with people who do know Jesus. Because I became familiar with my students, I was able to talk to them about such as God, faith, and beliefs because they saw God's love in me. I loved them because God loved me first. Sometimes, actions speak louder than words.

I am thankful to have been able to attend these missions the past three years. Through them I have learned to grow spiritually in faith, and become a humbler and kinder person.

Taiwan Scholarship Testimony

◆Edward An



I am now a sophomore at Haynes Academy. I grew up in a church but never truly

understood God's love. I was a basic person who called themselves a "christian" because they went to church every Sunday. I lived a typical american born asian life. It all started to change when my current youth pastor came to my church 2 years ago.

I first came to Christ one year ago when I went to a mission trip in Houston that my youth pastor invited me to go. It was my first time seeing so many people work with such amazing and willing hearts. it amazed me because they all did for someone who died over 2,000 years ago. Another thing I witnessed at the Houston mission was a demon attack. Nothing so real had happened in my life and I could not deny a Good after that. I was ready and prepared to go to school to live as a living testimony for Jesus Christ and a new person. But I really wasn't. I caught myself getting distracted with sports, keeping my grades up and not reading the word. I never had daily devotional time with the Lord.

This past June I went to a camp with my youth group. I didn't want to go, but I was kinda forced to go. I saw the same

thing I saw in Houston. The people were loving Jesus and hyped. Another thing was my youth group all got closer and just opened up our hearts to each other. Camp made me just look at God for who he was and what I missed out during the school year.

So coming to Taiwan with a heart to serve and be open to everything put something special in my heart. I learned three things from three groups of people: Good News Church(Kaohsiung boys), my team youth members, and all the adult leaders that worked extremely hard to get this trip to work.

The Good News Church showed me something my youth pastor told me: "We live with our world around our faith. Some people live with their faith around their world." I saw this depiction with my own eyes in them. The Good News Church were such loving people and worked from their hearts. I can't thank them enough for being so extraordinary and loving.

My teammates showed me and set an amazing example on how to serve others even if other people weren't doing their share of work or if others were mean. Even when they were frustrated, the still got the work done. They came back up from their falls and stood up taller. We had our ups and downs, but they kept going. I thank them with so much love from my heart.

The adult leaders at the mission trip showed me how to beyond grateful and thankful. I don't know if I am a thankful person, but this mission trip just gave me a new perspective on how you can't be grateful enough. The work they put in is something I can't thank them enough from the bottom of my heart.

I was also baptized on this mission trip. Getting baptized was on my heart before going, and I was thinking about getting baptized the day before we left, but time was too short. Just seeing how real the Lord's presence was around us and the love of everyone was more than enough for me to decided to get baptized. On the last week at Rui Sui, I went to worship with the Good News Church guys every night. Just singing together, even with a language barrier just reminds me so well that we all serve under the same God and God is loving to all no matter what language you speak, where you come from, what you've done, what you wear, what you can do or not do. Just worshiping and the lyrics, "I decided to follow Jesus, no turning back, no turning back" hit me hard because of my recent baptism.

Thank you everyone and everything you have done for each other and me. This mission trip was an experience that I can never forget. I am glad I got to grow spiritually and have the opportunity to go. It will be deep in my heart. Even though the mission trip ends, the mission doesn't, and I will do everything I can so the mission in me lives.



家事分享

- 為教會肢體有病痛的弟兄姊妹禱告,求神醫治,添加他們的力量和平安。
- 2017年路州福音會在 9/2(星期六)至 9/3(星期日)舉行(Camp Living Water)。 中文講員:劉銘輝牧師,主題:卓越的人 生;英文講員:Rev. Jason Tarn, Theme: The God Questions。
- 3. 歡送 Karen 和 Andy,Andy 將至密西西比 州完成學業,神賜福他們前面的道路。



- 4. 教會已成立新英文事工委員會:吳牧師, 史迪威,李懋平,王嘉琭;還需要更多的 同工來復興英文堂。八月起執事會將轉史 迪威傳道從校園事工到英文事工。
- 5. 新的英文堂崇拜主日學 (10:00 am-12:30 pm), 和週五團契 (7 pm -9:30 pm)已開始, 請為英文堂事工代禱。

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