a prayer letter

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"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." (Luke 9:23)



Shalom!

I decide to take up my cross each day and follow Lord. In June 2024, I bring you news of my mission field.

Looking back on a year _

It's already been almost a year since my family came to Indonesia.

Even though we sometimes lacked faith, God always helped us. He even delicately filled in the parts we could not pray for. We are thankful for God's hand in caring for us.

We were embarrassed by the new culture, shed tears over our children's school problems, and felt sick in the new environment. But looking back, it was all grace. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the church members and sponsors who have been with us through prayer and love over the past year.



testimony ministry _

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Missionary Kim visited the orphanage and gave his testimony.

This orphanage is both an orphanage and a church where orphans of various races from various regions of Indonesia gather. I testified to them about my difficult school days and the God I met in the midst of suffering. Because God gave me the heart to tell them this.

Even though the testimonies were shared by foreigner, the children listened. They were sometimes smiling and sometimes focused with serious expressions. I was so thankful to God when I saw these children. I came back after receiving grace through the children who praised and worshiped passionately.





I also gave testimony at Gloria Church in an area called Sumerdang in Bandung. There are very few Christians there, but local beliefs are strong.

I shared a story from my childhood. I talked about an incident that changed our family, which believed in ancestral gods. I saw the believers sympathize and listen. After giving my testimony, a believer told me that he was still offering ancestral rites at his home and that my testimony had given him strength. I realized that God uses all of our childhood experiences. Thank you God.

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Visa renewal



In my prayer letter last April, I mentioned that I had met a local pastor who was ministering to the Sundanese people. I went to an area called CIWIDEY with that minister.

It is a place where the Sundanese people live, and there is not a single Christian among the 300 villagers. I attended an oikos meeting (a meeting before church) held by a minister to pray, talked, prayed, and returned. I pray. I sincerely hope that God will open their hearts wide and allow them to accept Jesus... and that God will use their house like Lydia's house, which was the beginning of the Philippian church.

Although Indonesia has freedom of religion externally, it is a country with 85% Muslims. So all politics and systems are rooted in Islam. So, as a missionary, I sometimes encounter difficult situations. This is especially true with visa issues. In order for us to work stably, we need to obtain a religious visa, but the number of people who can receive a visa is limited, and visa renewal costs a lot of money. Please pray that you will open the way for us to receive religious visas.

A second-year missionary visa is being processed at UPI, Indonesian University of Education. Missionary Kim's visa will be issued at the end of June, and the family's visa will be issued in mid-July. Please pray that it proceeds without a hitch. Starting in August, Missionary Kim will study language at UPI for one more year. Please pray for the advancement of language so that I can preach the Gospel fluently.

schedule

(April 30-May 3) I attended the Southeast Asia Islamic Mission Conference.

(May 12) Missionary Kim gave his testimony in the local language at a service at the orphanage where the senior missionary works.

(May 20) Missionary Kim preached in the local language during a service at an Indonesian language school.

(June 3) The children and Missionary Choi temporarily returned to Korea for regular checkups for thyroid cancer surgery and visa renewal.

(June 9) Missionary Kim gave testimony in the local language at Yeonggwang Church in Sumedang.

(June 20th) Missionary Kim briefly leaves for Malaysia to renew his visa.



Thank God

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- 1. I thank God for setting me up as a missionary who sees the glory of the cross and goes forward.
- 2. I am grateful to God for protecting and helping my family adapt well to the mission field for a year.
- $3.\ I$ am thankful for God's grace that fills even the things I could not ask for.
- 4. Thank you for protecting my parents in Korea for a year.
- 5. I thank God for giving great comfort and joy to my children who returned to Korea briefly.
- 6. We thank God for the supporters who help our mission with prayers and money.

Please pray for us

- l. Please pray for Missionary Kim-Choi to deeply love and embrace the Indonesian souls whom God loves.
- 2. Please pray for the visa to go smoothly. I am in the process of applying for a student visa.
- 3. Please pray that Missionary Choi and the children in Korea will have a good time and return to Indonesia with gratitude and anticipation.
- 4. Please pray for my family to be healthy, filled with the Holy Spirit, and fluent in the language while on the mission field.