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Missionary to the Philippines



Dear Friends and Family:

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"Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah" Psalm 68:19. I praise God for the many blessings He gives us each day. I have been praying for opportunities to witness, and the Lord recently gave me an open door to share the gospel.

A Korean lady moved into our area. She is here in the Philippines to take care of her brother while he attends a college nearby. She saw my roommate Rachel and asked her if she could help her learn English. This lady, Sarah, has met with Rachel several times. She desires to learn English, so she can understand the Harry Potter books she is reading. Sarah came out to church at Gospel Light for the very first time on Sunday, June 24. She doesn't understand much English, so we were not sure if she would return. Last night, I was playing piano up front and noticed her come in and sit in the back row. I was able to join her during the preaching. Pastor Potts's sermon was on the Temptation of Christ. Sarah asked me what Matt. 4:4 meant in the phrase that says, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." I tried to explain this to her, but she didn't quite understand. So, I copied several Scripture passages down for her (including John 6:63 and some from the Romans Road).

After the message, we observed communion as a church family. This brought many questions from my partner. "What are they doing?" "Why?" "What are those men passing out?" I showed her as best I could from I Cor. 11 and I Cor. 15:3,4, about how we were remembering Christ's death on the cross for our sins. I told her that the bread and the grape juice were a symbol of Christ's body and blood. She seemed to understand "symbol." One of the hymns the pianist played while the elements were passed out was "Lead Me To Calvary." I showed Sarah the words to the hymn as the pianist played. She read the title and asked, "What is Calvary?" I explained that that was the place where Christ died for our sins.

Rachel was able to meet with Sarah again today, and she asked Rachel why we were here in the Philippines. Rachel explained that we love Christ and want to share the good news with others.

Please pray for Sarah, as she is very inquisitive. Please pray for her eyes to be opened to the Gospel. She still does not understand much English, so it is hard for us to communicate with her. Please pray that she will continue to attend the church services and hear God's Word.

In the service of the King,

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"I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live."

