

Kittelson Mission Update

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(35) For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, (36) I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Matthew 25:35-36

During these Covid-19 years in Taiwan we have been blessed that even in our more serious times we have had it easier than the best times in America. We have been required to wear masks in public, in crowds and register at the door using cell phones in case there was an Covid case in our area. However, by in large, we were not forbidden to go out of the house and carry on most of the normal weekly things. There was only one time that the churches were required to limit their number of people attending to provide the safest environment possible. Those five months were a challenge to provide support to believers as well as to reach out to those who don't know there is a Heavenly Father who wants to look out for them. We did learn skills and creative approaches for reaching out to people when they were exceptionally cautious.

We are currently in the midst of a Covid Omicron wave in Taiwan. People here are not used to seeing dramatic rises in daily case numbers. It has thrown a scare into them. This is true even in Hsinchu though we live in an area where we have had few cases, but emotions often win over facts. So, this week we are back to practicing the skills we learned last year. We check up on those around us using any option they leave open to us. This might be the phone, Messenger, emails, other web options, real mail, and face to face when it is acceptable to a friend.

This week's small group meeting moved to our house. We had four people present in our living room and 8 more who joined us through a web connection. "It worked." People were encouraged. We also did visiting by not visiting, but encouraging every member in our group to contact another person to check on them, encourage them and pray for them. The pictures provided are what visiting looked like in our house this week.

Pray with us as we hope and pray that this wave of Covid will pass quickly and we will not find ourselves having to reschedule or cancel special programs. We want to be out with those we love and those we want to come to Jesus. Pray with us we can do the things planned and people will be willing to gather in the selected venues. May the message of peace in Jesus comfort those around us.

1. May 8 Michael is preaching for Mother's Day at Mu En Church, Yangmei.
2. May 14 VHF Mother's Day activity, a meal and singing in the park.
3. May 15 Outreach in the park with the Gospel Church in Miaoli.
4. June 5 Hsinchu Victory Church Evening of Music about Peace and Hope.
5. June 25 Guan Xin Victory Church Evening of Music about Peace and Hope
6. July 17 The Hakka Choir goes to Guan Xin Victory Church to present Hakka music during worship and Michael preaches.

Thank you for your support, thank you for your prayers. We will trust in Him to use these inconvenient times to His glory and to the blessing of those around us.

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