



Connecting People, Nations and Continents for the Great Commission

Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam

Since coming to Christ in 1975, Jane Ann and I have served the Body of Christ by sharing the Gospel and the love of Jesus around the world. We have had the honor of ministering in forty nations on five continents. Thanks to you our friends and partners of Gateway Missions who make it possible for us to go.

Vietnam was decimated by war from 1954-1975 and the nation is still rebuilding. Renovation is more than just brick and mortar. The real necessity of reconstruction is to build a spiritual habitation for Christ. That is why we feel such a burden to reach restricted areas for Christ. Currently it is against the law for Christians to openly witness in Vietnam. Working with the underground church can be risky, especially for the pastors and church leaders. Much like China, there is still a genuine threat of jail or even prison time if one is caught. Our mission to Viet Nam was to implant the Word and to help establish pastors and leaders.



Our first day in Vietnam we met with 40 business leaders who have just recently become Christians. All but two have been Christians for two years or less. I went as part of a team with the ministry of Joshua Nations to introduce a two year inductive Bible School for these business leaders. Tri and



Tuyet lead the CBMC Vietnam group. They own a massive pharmaceutical company and have a great influence among the business community of Vietnam. What really impressed me about them, was that although they are young in the faith, they are impacting so many lives for Christ and have such a voracious hunger for the Word of God. Up until two years ago Tri and Tuyet were Buddhists. Interestingly enough, they were influenced by their two sons who became Christians while studying in the United States and came to know Jesus for themselves. Now they are leading others in the business community to the Lord.

Here is quote from, Elizabeth, one of the young Christian business owners who has been a Christian for about one week now. **“I can’t wait to start studying the Bible!”**

Sunday Underground Church



On Sunday our team was in three different Underground Churches throughout the city. When we reached our destinations we were led through narrow passages taking us to a clandestine meeting. There were about 19 people already praising and worshipping God. As we approached the entrance of the place where we would share the love of God, a curtain was pulled aside and a small door opened to let us inside. There we preached

the Word of God, shared a genuine Vietnamese meal and enjoyed visiting with our new friends in Christ.



In our evening service, two people made the decision to receive Christ for the very first time!

Prison Ministry



On Monday evening we spent over two hours with the CBMC group sharing more details of the Bible School. During that time we had the privilege of praying with a group of men who minister in the jails of Vietnam. They shared a powerful testimony of the miracles they are seeing among the inmates and how the jail officials are opening doors for them to serve those who are incarcerated.

Jane Ann and I want to thank Jason Holland, the director of Joshua Nations for allowing us the opportunity to work with him and Pastor Tony Nichols from Arkansas.

Sam



This is Sam our contact in Vietnam. He is a very amazing man. He studied in the USA and returned to Vietnam to reach his nation for Christ. He teaches computer science at the university and does highly skilled translation work. He was raised in a Christian home where his father was a pastor. Sam's father was imprisoned for preaching the Gospel. Both Sam and his brother are in ministry and both have been jailed several times. Please pray for him as he works diligently in a very challenging and dark nation.

Our plans to spend two days with 80 leaders from around the city were abruptly changed when they were arrested as they prepared to meet with us. Thankfully, our team had not arrived early or we could have been deported. We did find an alternate meeting place where 28 of us were able to spend a day together to train, encourage and pray with them.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



We are thrilled to announce some wonderful family news: Brant and Sofia just got engaged, so wedding plans are in the works! They both work in broadcasting in San Antonio. Chad and Amanda are busier than ever with Taylor (15), Averi (13) and Connor (9), who are involved in cheerleading and sporting events. Chad does all the trim and cabinet work for Steve Hill Construction and Amanda teaches reading and social studies in elementary school. From our family to yours—Have a Merry Christmas and Joyful New Year filled with the promises and blessings of God!

Running the race to win,

Gary and Jane Ann Casey

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