

IN AMERICA AND IN MONGOLIA

November, the month of Thanksgiving

Of course Mongolians do not celebrate this American holiday but we have much to be thankful for. This was the eleventh Thanksgiving for the Carrells in Mongolia and it was our third. We celebrated with the Carrells, Egi and Naraa at our home for the traditional Thanksgiving meal. We had mash potatoes and gravy, cornbread stuffing, corn, cranberry salad, and a big pork loin roast. No, we didn't have turkey. In the two and half years we have been in Mongolia we have never seen a turkey for sale. About 5 years ago the Carrells saw a small freezer burnt turkey for almost fifty dollars, but didn't feel the tradition was worth that much. We had sweet fellowship over dinner and a rousing game of "chicken tracks," though Brother Carrell's integrity was called into question a couple of times during the game. It is a great blessing to have such tremendous fellowship amongst the laborers in Mongolia.

Two years worth of blessings

We wanted to use this report to share with everyone the many blessings that God has giving to Mongolia the past two years. One of the greatest of blessings is since December of 2007 there have been 72 people who have professed Christ, were baptized and added to



Chingeltei church building

the church, and are continuing steadfastly in the Lord's doctrines. The membership of the Lord Church in Mongolia almost doubled in these two years. At the beginning of 2008 there was the Rich Heart Baptist Church, and a mission work in Chore. During that year another mission work started in the town of Chingeltei, also two properties were bought for church plants and in April of 2009 work began on construction of buildings at both of these locations. 2009 continued with many more blessings. As of today the building and



Chore church building & parsonage

parsonage at Chore, though not complete, are being used to meet and live in. We are hoping that before Christmas Chingeltei will be using their building to meet in. In June

2009 the Rich Heart Church voted to organize the work in Chore and the work in Chingeltei into New Testament churches. 2009 also saw another mission work begin in the countryside village of Oginoor. Oginoor is 500km (about 310 miles) from Ulaanbaatar. Within one month they had baptized 5 and now have a membership of 7. Brother Erdenebayar, the missionary sent to Oginoor, and his wife are from this village and already know most everyone there. We are watching Oginoor with great expectations because this is our first work that is entirely done by Mongolians. No foreign missionary will be there on a daily basis. Brethren, the churches in Mongolia are self propagating just as God intended in Scriptures.



Missionary to Oginoor

Because of space this will have to be the last blessing to be listed. The spiritual growth of the people has passed all expectations. The desire of the members to learn and grow in God's Word and in righteous living is so encouraging. Our Bible Institute has the largest attendance in its five year history and is holding steady.

Translation needs are still the same

Brothers and Sisters, last month we sent out an appeal for help in the cost of translating the KJV Bible into Mongolian. The need is still the same and we ask for everyone to please keep this a matter of prayer. We have invested almost 2 years and are about to complete the four Gospels. We need more help in the way of finances if we are to see this through to completion.

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