



MONGOLIA MISSION TEAM REPORT OF DECEMBER 2009

AN EXCITING ENDING TO 2009

A winter road trip, frozen buildings, experiencing a Mongolian blizzard, 5 souls ready to be added to the churches by baptism, and second generation Baptists were all a part of December 2009.

A WINTER ROAD TRIP



The first part of December we traveled to Uginoor to visit our missionary and start preparations for the Mac Med Team visit in the summer of 2010. Special services were held with 37 people in attendance. For at least six to eight of those this was the

first time that had ever heard the teachings of Christianity. The work in Uginoor has two people waiting for baptism, but this will have to wait until the spring thaw. All bodies of water large enough to baptize in are frozen solid. One of these was the Buddhism "go-to" guy. He was not a lama but was depended on by the community for any Buddhism questions. Now he faithfully attends Baptist services and has many questions for Brother Erdenbayar.

FROZEN BUILDINGS AND A BLIZZARD



Disaster at Chore! While most of the members of Chore were in UB attending Bible School, the one left behind to keep coal in the boiler left his post. It did not take long in -20F and below temperatures for

everything in the church building and the parsonage to freeze solid. The church returning Saturday night was devastated. They held services the next day in below zero temperatures and many wondered, "What will we do?" Through God's churches in the United States money was raised to replace all the radiators and by the next Sunday heat was restored to the Church building. The parsonage will be restored the first week of January. Rich Heart Church sent two members to help with the re-

pair. Riding in a hired truck with the radiators and parts in the back, they left UB for the two and half hour trip to Chore. Six hours later they arrived safely. Upon leaving UB they encountered one of Mongolia's worst blizzards. They averaged 22 miles an hour, but God gave them safe passage. The Church in Chore also has two awaiting baptism and will be waiting for the spring thaw or the completion of their baptistry.

SECOND GENERATION BAPTISTS

I have written in the past of how it is truly a blessing to hear the testimonies of those who have accepted Jesus as Savior, and to hear about the life from which they had been redeemed. They were all first generation Baptist. This year we have started to see second generation Baptist being saved and baptized. This continued in December with the daughter of our pianist coming forward professing Christ and asking to be baptized. Her name translated means Rainbow, and she did this on the last Sunday of 2009. What a fitting ending for 2009. It has been a truly wonderful year that God has given to the churches in Mongolia, and we expect great things to come in 2010.

CHINGELTEI CHURCH IN NEW BUILDING



December 20th all of our churches in Mongolia held special Christmas programs. Chingeltei's Christmas service was a little extra special day. This was the first service that they held in their new building. It still

has quite a ways to go to be completed but the sanctuary was warm, what more do you need. For Sunday School they had 37 children show up for this service. The adult worship service had attendance of 78. They averaged 29-35 in their old location. Pray that these visitors will return.

UPDATES

This report is only highlights, we have expanded updates that we emailed out during the month. If you would like to hear more about what is happening just email and we will send the updates to you. (fcooper@mongolianteam.org) As always, thanks to all for your prayers and support.