

Linda's Letter

Reaching everyday working people in Taiwan linda.mckerrell@omfmail.com 9.1 July 2021



Dear Family and Friends,

3 months ago OMF Leadership encouraged me to take compassionate leave of absence and rest in preparation for returning to Taiwan later this year. During this time the Lord has indeed brought me along quiet waters and refreshed me physically and spiritually. Thank you for praying for me. I have had good rest, prayed much, enjoyed the beach and sought direction and clarity from the Lord for the future. As I prayed and read Scripture, I was constantly encouraged by the Lord 'Trust and rest, trust and rest, trust and rest', that He would indeed lead me. *'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes. Fear the Lord and turn away from evil'* Prov 3:4-5. Even though I still don't know what's happening tomorrow, God does.

After talking with OMF leadership I have decided to remain in Australia for another 3 months. I've moved into an apartment at WEC International in Brisbane. During this time I will do some ministry and continue to work on my health. There is a certain amount of grief and relief at the prospect of staying in Australia for longer AND in returning to Taiwan soon. I know you guys pray for me in partnership and I really appreciate this. **Please pray** that I'll keep trusting the Lord and that He would make it abundantly clear what He wants me to do. If you have any deep conviction of where the Lord might be guiding me, please do share it with me.

Blessings in Him who loves us more than we know, Linda

'But as for me, God's presence is my good. I have made the Lord God my refuge, so I can tell about all you do. Psalm 73:28



Meanwhile in Donggang - Baptisms - Two people were baptised - Chen Mama (in her 70's) and Zoe (teenage daughter of my coworkers Aaron and Amy Koh). They shared a bit about their coming to know Jesus. The Koh's write - 'Susan from our Friday night group came - it was good for her to meet Chen Mama and hear her testimony of leaving worshipping other gods. Even though our other friends couldn't make it, it has sparked lots of good conversations about their own faith and the challenges they face in following Jesus (mostly family pressure).'

Covid Breakout - The past few months there has been a significant outbreak in Taiwan, leading to Level 3 restrictions. All schooling and religious activities are online. God willing restrictions will lift on July 12th??

Friday Night Group - The Koh's write 'Our house church group discussed Hebrews 10. One of the ladies remarked that, "This passage minds us we should stay firm in our faith. We should keep meeting because every time we meet, we grow. We can even meet online and things online don't have borders. The gospel doesn't have borders and should go out, not just stay with us." This warms my heart. Missing them. **Keep praying** for their growth and their families to also know Christ.

