The Cullers Family

2nd Generation Missionaries Taiwan



09-10/24 Prayer Letter Update

I was privileged to perform my first baptism - for our son Logan! I can't think of a better first. We thank God for his salvation back in May, and his willingness to obey Christ and follow in baptism. He also received his first Bible that night. There was a cute moment at the dinner table the other night, when my wife and I happened to be around the corner in the kitchen. Logan was asking Allie if she wanted to be saved and explaining it as only a big brother can. The 2 and 5-year-old back and forth conversation that followed was adorable.

October is Missions emphasis month here, as I'm sure it is for many of you back in the States. The family and I just got back yesterday from preaching out at a church in the capital city, Taipei, up at the north end of the island. I forgot just how modern and different it is from the south where we are, almost like a different country. We enjoyed encouraging and being encouraged by dear missionary friends. Please pray for the growth of the Neipu Church in the area of missions and personal responsibilty there. We forget that we live in a more "unfriendly" bubble (of Hakka and Tribal people) within Taiwan that is much more closed and resistant to outsiders. Going to Taipei reminded me just how friendly Taiwanese are on the whole. We like where we live and where God has called us to work. There is work to be done no matter how slow or resisted. Bring it on! Isn't that why you and I are here? Even the gates of hell shall not prevail against it, right?

Logan's school has continued to allow us to make little steps of progress. I was able to invite his teachers to our church (they brought it up!) and they actually seemed interested, or curious at the very least. We are starting to see that culturally, they feel more uninhibited when going outside the village for work or education and more open to the fact that other cultures do things differently and they can go along for the ride. Perhaps reaching tribal folks outside of the villages, and then seeking an invitation back into a village will prove a better tactic than trying to start in a village from the start. The cultural strictures and taboos are very difficult to infiltrate, and the cohesive unity to this code is quite powerful. We will find a way! Just have to continue to get creative and keep learning. Case in point, I think I have mentioned before we have a few Paiwan tribal individuals coming to the Neipu Church. Again, they are in Neipu for work or education and are comparatively more open. I should close by saying many expressed concerns about the recent Typhoon. Thank you for your prayers! Only light damages were sustained, though others were not so fortunate.

Expecting Great Things,

The Cullers Family

"Crowded modern cities, or in the mountains wild,

Every soul is just as precious in Your sight.

Anywhere You send, I am prepared to go.

Lord, oh help me love the ones You love!"

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Below: Logan's Baptism!





Above: Some of the folks at the International Supper at church.

Right: A photo with a "Vuvu" or elder in the village where Logan attends school.

