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EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS IN MURMANSK, RUSSIA

When our Lord gave the commission to teach all nations, He stated the Gospel is to be preached to “every creature” (Mark 16:15). Consequently, wherever “creatures” (people) are to be found, we must, in some method, preach the Gospel to them. Located above the Arctic Circle lies the city of Murmansk, Russia. It has the distinction of being the largest city in the world above the Arctic Circle. The latest report on the population of Murmansk records there are just a little over 300,000 people currently living in Murmansk.

Murmansk is an important city to Russia for various reasons. Though located above the Arctic Circle, due to a warm water current in the Atlantic, Murmansk has an “ice-free” port that remains open year-round. Consequently, imports can be brought into this port any time of the year and shipped throughout Russia as needed. Murmansk also has a railway reaching from Murmansk to Russia’s capital, St. Petersburg. Murmansk also is an important city due to its fishing and shipping industry.

It also has the world’s only fleet of nuclear power ice-breakers, known as “Atomflot.”

Mention is made of all these important matters to illustrate the great need of preaching the Gospel to this city and hopefully, how the Gospel can spread from Murmansk to other cities throughout Russia.

Lord willing, **Torrey Clark** (a second year student in the Memphis School of Preaching), **Jacob Brunjes** (a graduate of Memphis School of Preaching and who preaches in VA), and I will travel to Murmansk in June for the purpose of teaching and preaching the Gospel of Christ. Brother **Cliff Lyons** is the dedicated preacher who labors with the brethren there on a daily basis. However, Cliff currently is home for a much needed break. Others (**Larry Fife and Nathan Franson**, the end of July and **Bob Hawkins and Nick Deiger** in August), will help carry on the work until Cliff returns. Please remember these evangelistic efforts in your prayers.

-Billy Bland

LET'S "KEEP ON KEEPING ON" IN SINGAPORE

Four Seas Bible College in Singapore is poised to go forward in the kingdom of Christ. As stated in the January issue of the "**Far East / World Newsletter**," there are thirteen students enrolled at Four Seas College of the Bible. Students come to us from such places as **China, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Vietnam, etc.** Right now, there are Gospel preachers preaching the Gospel of Christ in some very difficult areas of the world, who were trained at Four Seas Bible College. This Bible school has been training men and women to be faithful preachers (for the men), and faithful Bible class teachers (for men and women), since 1965!

Now is not the time to "let up." We need to keep on keeping on. However, to do so, we need your help. Some churches recently have had to either put off or cut back on supporting this good work due to some building needs at home. I certainly understand the need for maintaining our buildings. No one likes leaking roofs, or in adequate space in our buildings. But we also need to "keep on keeping on with evangelizing the world (Mark 16:15). Can you help???



Pictured above is brother Peter Chin, the President (and Bible teacher), at Four Seas Bible College in Singapore.



The many Christians (and some of the family members), who gathered in Singapore from various locales in the world, to attend the Annual Four Seas Bible Lectureship, took time to have this photo taken.



Brother Victor, who preaches the Gospel in Indonesia and works with training Gospel preachers in Indonesia, was also trained at Four Seas Bible College in Singapore. Those who help support Four Seas Bible College are also helping preach the Gospel in many other areas of the world as well.

And he said unto them, **Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature** (Mark 16:15)



MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING

WORLD MISSIONS PROGRAM



PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The purpose of the Memphis School of Preaching World Missions Program is to help the church to fulfill the Lord's command to preach the Gospel to the world (Mat. 28:18-20), by preparing qualified men for missions in the United States, and in foreign countries, by providing to these men sound instruction, practical advice, and sufficient preparation.

WHOM SHALL WE TRAIN?

We are looking for faithful, evangelistic, mature men, who love souls, and who are willing to make a commitment to missions.

STARTING DATE

Classes will begin in January 2012, and in each January thereafter.
The program will be one year of full-time instruction.

HOUSING

Students will live in the Residence Halls on campus.

FACILITIES

Current MSOP facilities will provide classroom space.

FACULTY

Faculty will consist of Instructors at MSOP, and experienced missionaries, utilized for specialized instruction.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

Applicants must be mature men of upright character.

They must have proven ability, with a minimum of five years productive labor in local work.

They must have shown stability in their lives – spiritually, emotionally, mentally, physically, and financially.

If they are married, their wives must be behind the work, and willing and eager to go into the mission field.

If they have families, they must be prepared for their children to be with them in the field.

They must have a minimum of a two-year Bible education (from a sound school, like MSOP), or have the equivalent in lifetime learning.

They must have proved themselves to be honest, ethical men.

They must have worked with elders, or have demonstrated their ability to work under proper oversight.

They must have shown themselves to be active in evangelism. They must be willing to make a multi-year commitment to mission work. Upon graduation, graduates are to go, as quickly as possible, into the mission field.

SUPPORT

There will be no tuition or fees.

Students must have support for textbooks, living expenses, and for evangelistic campaigns.

CURRICULUM

There will be four ten- week quarters, and eight weeks of campaigns. Courses will cover the following general areas.

Guided research into the culture, customs, geography, housing, transportation, currency, and government requirements of the area to which the student intends to go.

Daily language study.

Methods of evangelism.

Practical studies concerning working with a sponsoring congregation, fund raising, reporting, stewardship, developing self-sufficient congregations, etc.

Communication skills (including broadcasting, using the internet, the printed page, correspondence courses, etc.).

Doctrinal challenges on the mission field.

Challenges to the missionary family

General knowledge of the Bible, with special emphasis on biblical themes of missions and evangelism.

Student wives will have courses especially suited to their preparation for entering a different culture, and for their being helpful coworkers with their husbands.

WHY ARE WE ESTABLISHING THE WORLD MISSIONS PROGRAM?

Every aspect of the work of the church is about souls.

There are about 7,000,000,000 people living today. Each of these seven billion people has a soul, and each soul is precious.

Each precious soul will live eternally--either in Heaven, or in Hell.

Yet, most have never heard the good news of a loving Savior, who died for them.

Without the gospel, these precious souls have no hope.

There are good men, who are eager to take the message of salvation to the lost, but who are not adequately prepared.

Congregations, interested in mission work, need to know they are supporting men ready to meet the challenges of mission work, and equipped to continue for the long run.

Therefore, faithful brethren need to train good men, who are able and willing, that they might go into the mission field, and accomplish what the Lord intended.

Thus, there is the need for the Memphis School of Preaching World Missions Program.

"WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP?"

For those who are wanting to be a part of this work, here is what we need from you.

We need you to help us get out the word about this new program.

We need men who want to be missionaries.

We need congregations and individuals who will support students in this program--both while they are in school, and after they graduate.

We need churches that will serve as sponsoring congregations for our graduates.

We need the prayers of righteous brothers and sisters. Will you help?

INFORMATION

In order to learn more about the Memphis School of Preaching World Missions Program, contact:

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HOW CAN YOU HELP SUPPORT FAR EAST / WORLD EVANGELISM?

Sometime ago I was privileged to hear a former missionary speak about his work. He was speaking on the general topic of how to raise funds for the preaching of the Gospel in foreign fields. One statement that really impressed me was, he did not view himself "as a beggar, but rather a financial advisor!" How true! God expects His children to support the work of the church.

Paul was a good (inspired), financial advisor. He wrote; "**Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate. Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life** (1 Tim. 6:17-19). How can you help?

1. Become a monthly supporter.
2. Support with a one-time contribution.
3. Put the Far East / World Evangelism work in your will.
4. Pray for the work.

Please mail contributes to:

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And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (Matthew 28:18-20)