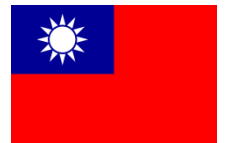




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# WEC TAIWAN NEWS

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*“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son,  
and they will call him Immanuel,” which means “God with us.”  
(Matthew 1:23)*

Dear Praying Friends,

By the time you receive this newsletter, the Christmas season will already have passed, but as we begin the new year, let's always put “Immanuel” in our hearts and minds, remembering that our wonderful Lord and Savior is always with us. We thank God in advance for all that He has prepared for you and for us in 2020, and we thank you for standing in the gap and faithfully praying!

## A. Inyoung and Myungae Ok share:

### 1. New Taiwanese Worker:

We praise God for Alice who finished the Candidate Orientation (CO) course in New Zealand last November. She plans on going to Japan in September 2020. Thank God for her supporting church in SongShan, Taipei.

### 2. Potential New Worker:

Praise God for JiaZhen (Jenny) who recently passed the IELTS test (English proficiency exam). She will attend WEC's CO course in March 2020. Her supporting church is BaoZuo Church in Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

### 3. Preaching:

Please pray for Inyoung who will preach at DaPingLin Church, New Taipei City on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

### 4. Korean Missionary New Year's Prayer Meeting:

Please pray for this New Year's Prayer Meeting held at LingLiangTang Church in Taipei on January 6<sup>th</sup>.

### 5. WEC Taiwan Monthly Prayer Meetings:

Please continue to pray for our monthly prayer meetings. The January meeting is moved to the 20<sup>th</sup> because of the Chinese New Year holiday on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

**6. Please pray for J** who will arrive to Taipei on January 31<sup>st</sup> to take a course at China Evangelical Seminary in Taipei.

**7. Health:** Please pray for Inyoung and Myungae who will go to Seoul, Korea in February for their regular medical check-up.

## B. Insu and Sunghee Park share:

1. Praise the Lord for a 97-year-old grandmother and a blind man who were both baptized on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Please pray that the hope of heaven will continually give them peace.

2. Our church worker and evangelist Zhijing's father recently passed away. Thank God it was a peaceful passing. Before his death, he was saved and baptized, and told his brothers he wanted a Christian funeral. The funeral almost felt like a missionary meeting. Please pray for Zhijing's relatives to come to the Lord.

3. From January 8-9 we will have visitors who are missionary candidates from Mokwon University in Korea. Please pray that God will confirm His calling for them as missionaries during their visit.

4. CGN TV (Christian Global Network Television) will introduce Sanwan church and it will be broadcasted in Korea on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Please pray that all those who watch the show will come to a greater understanding of the Hakka people and desire to participate in Hakka missions.



Visiting the senior citizens' home for Christmas.



5. A group of young people from Yongmun church in Korea will come to Sanwan church on a missions trip on from January 3-8. They usually visit the mission field once every two years. Please pray that God will use them to extend His kingdom.
6. Please pray for a music concert that we will hold on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Pray that God will open doors and use this concert to reach many Hakka people for Christ.

**C. Margaret Lin shares:**

I've been in Taiwan for almost a year and a half now and am thankful for this time the Lord has given me to be with my father in his old age. He just turned 85 a few weeks ago and we were able to travel to Japan for a few days with family friends to celebrate. Please continue to pray for both my dad and mom's health and the salvation of both my parents and sister.



I'm also very thankful for the different opportunities God has given me to share my faith with new friends and classmates. I'm still in my first two years of studying Chinese, and even though some people may think that language learning is not really ministry, I'm finding that it is. God is teaching me to be intentional in all the relationships I form. Please pray for the salvation of the following friends:

- TZ: a Buddhist nun, classmate and good friend. In February she will begin what she calls Buddhist graduate school. Pray that even if we're not classmates anymore, we'll still be able to get together. Pray for more boldness to share with her.
- W: We met in Zumba class. After not going to the sports center for several months, we finally met up last week and God gave me the opportunity to share the gospel with her. Pray for her heart to accept.
- FY: She used to be my Chinese teacher, but is now my language exchange partner and friend. We are going through a bilingual gospel tract called "Discovering God in Chinese characters". I feel she is close to receiving Christ. Please pray for wisdom and the Holy Spirit's guidance each time we meet.
- WY, WL, MX and W: They came to my church's Christmas Eve program, where the gospel was very clearly presented. Please pray for more opportunities to share with them.

**D. Mandy shares:**

I'm thankful that my sister and family had a good time during their three weeks in Taiwan. My niece caught the flu but it didn't affect our schedule. It was also a good reunion for all of us siblings as we went to visit my parents' tomb. They went back to Malaysia on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. Meanwhile, my home church had a good Christmas celebration in the neighboring community. Many people visited my booth and had a fun time dancing. Please pray that they will know the true meaning of Christmas.

In December, I will submit a proposal to my church's council of deacons in order to hold a Missions Month next year. Please pray for all the preparation and that the deacons will be willing to cooperate.

**E. Peter and Sarah Park share:**



1. Please pray that all our family members will experience intimacy with God every day.
2. Peter has been Interning in the English service of Shengli Church in Hsinchu city since September 2019. Please pray for his ministry there.
3. Next February, our youngest daughter, Shiyong will start going to a local Taiwanese school. Please pray for her adjustment and improvement in Chinese.



**F. JeongHyun (John) Park and KyungHee (Joy) Noh share:**

Thank the Lord for answering all our prayers! Thank you also for all your prayer support!

The Lord opened the door for Esther, our second daughter, to study at a university in Korea. Since we left China two years ago, we've moved a lot and Esther has not had a very stable schooling environment, so with only her Korean high school qualification certificate, it was not easy to get into a university. Praise God for His provision!



He has also provided a Chinese tutor for Grace, our youngest one, who is struggling to learn Chinese at a local high school. In exchange, Joy helps the tutor practice Korean for the TOPIK (Test of Proficiency in Korean) next year.

We thank our Heavenly Father who strengthens us to work at the WEC Taiwan office as well as with a local church. We are enjoying these opportunities for His kingdom. Next year John will be preaching or sharing two or three times a month at different churches.

**Please continue to pray:**

- for our spiritual life—to fix our eyes on our Lord and to walk with the Holy Spirit every moment.

- for our adjustment into Taiwan culture as well as the language.
- that the Lord would bless John as he shares God’s word and love at churches.
- for Sarah, our oldest daughter— that she would receive the scholarship she applied for next semester. Also pray that she will study well for His kingdom and find a part-time job in the medical field.
- for Esther’s physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. Pray that she will find good living accommodations near her university.
- for Grace to understand Chinese during her classes so that she will enjoy school more.

**G. Welcome to our latest new worker in the WEC Taiwan Branch—Hwayeon (Shine) Song. She writes:**

**Please pray for:**

- my health: physically, emotionally and spiritually.
- recovery from the flu.
- improvement in Chinese.
- spiritual growth.
- my parents' health.
- peace for my church.



Shine with her Chinese class.

**H: Welcome to our new associate member in the WEC Taiwan Branch—Steven Park.**



Hi!

This past fall, I joined WEC Taiwan as an associate member. As a tent-maker, I am an assistant professor teaching Marketing at National Chengchi University (NCCU) in Taipei, Taiwan.

My prayer requests are:

1. To share the Gospel with my students and
2. To discover truth through my research activities.

Thank you.

**I: Welcome to Alice Wu, our latest Taiwanese WEC missionary ready to be sent to the field.**

As mentioned above, Alice just finished the WEC CO course and next fall she will join the ranks of the Taiwanese missionaries sent out by WEC. She asks for prayer for the following:

1. Please pray for my sending church, as I will be the first missionary they are sending out. They are still learning how to be a sending church.
2. Please pray for my physical health.
3. Please pray for good time management as I will be sharing about missions in different churches.

**J: Taiwan Missionaries:**

Continue to remember our missionaries from Taiwan who are in various places involved in translation work, mobilizing for missions, English language teaching, evangelism, women’s and children’s ministry. Pray for the Lord’s grace, wisdom, strength, protection and peace to be given to each one. Some are in tense situations. **Pray for M & R** who have settled well in their new environment. **Pray for R** as she learns the local language. Continue to pray for the translation work and

for good helpers. **Pray too for S** as she visits the homes of local people. She praises the Lord for good adjustment and good health. Pray for good relationships with local co-workers. **Pray for A** as he has over 20 students in his English class. **Pray for J** as she is involved in women's ministry and also helps new workers adjust to life in missions. Praise the Lord for the opportunities **Kevin and Anna** have to share about missions in churches and other special meetings. Pray for Kevin's IT work which is very important. Continue to remember **Pastor and Mrs. Wang** in the ministry they are involved in with IMM (International Mission Mobilisation) in Korea.

**K: Taiwan:**

Continue to pray for this beautiful country that the gospel will reach every area. Please continue to pray for the presidential and government officials elections to be held January 11, 2020.

Thank you for praying for us!

May the Lord bless each of you with a very Happy New Year (both western and Chinese New Year!)

Blessings from The Taiwan Branch



Christmas Team Outing

(left to right): Margaret, Shine, John, Steven, Inyoung, Joy, Alice, Myungae)

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