



EAST ASIA

East Asia Project 2016...One of the most life-changing experiences I have had in ministry!



As I reflect on all that God did in & through our project team, I am in awe of Him and completely humbled to have had any part in it. The 11 of us had the privilege of going to a country where there are over a billion people, but few of them have put their trust in Jesus. In fact, most of the people we met have never heard His name or had access to teaching about His love. Our mission was multi-fold. Our hope was to grow in dependence on God and grow in our view of Him (our team focal point was John 15:5). We also prayed that we would understand His heart for the nations more and have impact on those we met to share His love for them. We also especially hoped to serve, encourage and open up opportunities for the men and women who serve the Lord in this country long term.

These prayers were answered in a variety of ways! Athletes in Action has staff in this country. They partner with local brothers and sisters in Christ who we had the privilege of meeting, learning from, and also serving along side. Together we went to schools in rural minority villages to host sports clinics and teach in English classes. The leaders of these schools opened their doors to us and allowed us to share because of our platform of sports, but GOD was knitting together opportunities for future connections for the staff that will remain there to follow up and connect for ministry. I will never forget moments like having thousands of elementary and high school students mobbed around us asking for our pictures & autographs (which we usually signed, including a Bible verse) and then looking over my shoulder to see our host staff having a conversation with the school principal and establishing that relationship. Or having the opportunity to meet & teach English at the gymnastics school coached by the reigning Olympic Gold Medalist and encourage his relationship with our staff as they serve him. Another incredible opportunity was corporately worshipping with the Believers there, especially since they have to meet in secret. Hearing stories of how they risk their lives and serve with such humility was life changing! For example one man, who 12 years ago was blind, but God miraculously healed him and now his vision is to make sure that he shares about Jesus with his village of 30,000 people, where currently there are only 16 known Christ followers.



THANK YOU for your prayers and generosity! Your investments in Team Wenig help us to serve our students and have a global impact for God's glory! We are so grateful!

"How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:14-15



I've discipled Hayden for the past year and so it was awesome to have this experience together on Project! This has taken our faith and our relationship even deeper. It was incredible to see him use his skills and golf talents to open up opportunities to share the Gospel and about how God has changed his life.



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