

# August 2013

Dear Friends, thank you for your continued prayers and support for our ministry. We continue to do our part by helping our brothers and sisters in Asia build and operate radio facilities that reach their countries for Jesus. You have done your part in keeping us ministering through your prayer and financial support and the Lord has done his part in bringing in the harvest. As Americans we love grand plans and strategies, but in truth, the Lord's plan is simple. When each of us is obedient to his call on our lives we join him in his work and his kingdom grows. We see that growth in the testimonies of those who have come to know Jesus which we receive

James and Lauren on a Hike



each month. Radio continues to be a powerful tool to touch hearts with the Gospel.

Wow, summer in Colorado is grueling! Guy was on the road in Asia in June, Chris had a full time summer job working with kids with learning disabilities and we had summer fun to work into the mix too. Chris's job was a big blessing even though it was only

Still Trying to Look Like Colorado Natives



seasonal. We really need extra income to get by living in the states. Chris's work just slowed down this week, so after a short rest finding another part time job for her will be a major prayer point.

As this year progresses we continue to minister in Asia while living in Colorado. Guy is busier than ever with a number of projects beginning or in early phases of work. He will continue to be a favorite customer of United Airlines while here at home he is wearing the letters off of his computer keyboard.

As for the rest of the family we are joining a number our supporters as we try and make ends meet in an economy that doesn't seem to want to help as we diligently look for the part time jobs that seem to be all that are available at the moment. Through it all we see the Lord blessing and sustaining us and we give him all the glory and praise.

# **Guy's Ministry Update**

Early in the summer Guy took a long trip to Asia with visits to FEBC Chinese Ministries headquarters in Hong Kong, a couple of days in Singapore, a week in Indonesia and a week in Phnom Penh Cambodia. He came back tired, but encouraged since he was able to get the design work for the renovation of our Cambodia ministry center under way. Its hard to find architects and engineers that are competent to design radio facilities in many of the countries where he works. It often takes a long time but the Lord has always been faithful to provide really great partners.

FEBC Chinese Ministry, Hong Kong



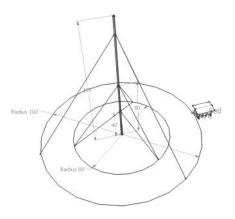
Its always fun to visit our Chinese Ministry's headquarters in Hong Kong because the ministry in China is really exploding. We continue to carry recorded programs via short wave, as we have for years, but now we also carry live "Talk Radio" type programs via live links from Hong Kong to our transmitters in the Philippines. These programs are very popular, but the real growth is in web based Christian content delivered to smart phones. Our Chinese Ministry folks are very skilled and creative in this area and they are seeing people respond in these new channels for the Gospel.

By our next report, Guy hopes to have done some design work for our two newest FEBC stations in Central Asia, stay tuned!

# **Lampung Project Update**

The Lampung project is one of those projects that is a huge struggle to get going. It has been frustrating all summer since we have the funding in hand for this work but we have not been able to find the necessary contractors to build the foundations. During Guy's trip to Jakarta in June, he thought he had a contractor at long last and began the process of ordering the two antenna towers Since then the new for the project. contractor has vanished and there is another one in the wings. The tower pieces will arrive in their container in a couple of We are hoping there will be months. foundations ready for them to sit on. For

Step 1 - 3D Concept Model



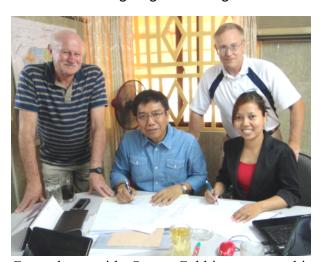
now, all we have are the tower purchase contract and the conceptual 3D-Model of the tower site with its tower, guy system and transmitter but.

The work of designing the grounding and lightning protection systems for the transmitter site is well along as well. Guy calculated that in an average year the tower takes a direct lightning strike 2-6 times so he is spending quite a bit of time getting the protection systems right. In the weeks ahead this project will take a lot of time, mostly spent on the computer making sure that each level of detail of this project gets the necessary attention.

# **Cambodia Project Update**

The big news of this quarter is that the design remodeling work for our of the FEBCambodia multi-purpose building is moving forward. The initial work is being done by our longtime friend and the architect we use for FEBC projects in the Philippines, Arch. Manny Dacanay. At some point this year we will have to find a local architect and project management team to provide official signed and sealed documents and to manage In the mean time, Architect the project. Dacanay will help us get all the space planning done and will produce our architectural concept for the work. When we are all agreed on the plan we will turn the work over to our prospective local architect to complete the detail work.

Cambodia - Signing the Design Contract



Guy, along with Owen Gabbie, spent a bit more than a week with the FEBCambodia team making sure that we had all the requirements for the building identified. When Architect Dacanay arrived we spent three days going over the details, walking around the structure and visiting local suppliers of building materials so that the Architect could produce a concept that would be clean, inexpensive and would meet the needs of the ministry for the next few years. In the intervening weeks there has been a

flurry of emails, electronic drawing exchanges and on line conversations as the design work moves forward.

Cambodia - Family FM Bldg Concept



**Family News** 

Thank you so much for your prayers for our family. As we enter our 14th year of service with FEBC, we stand amazed as how God has provided and protected our family! Serving in Asia while living in America has been a stretch in many ways and we are grateful for your prayers and support which have allowed us to meet our family's needs while living in Colorado. James was very discouraged that he was not able to find a part-time job here in Colorado. His spirits were lifted when friends Mark and Heidi Godfrey offered to let James stay at their home in Lisbon, IA so that he could detassle in the cornfields this past summer. James had a wonderful time being back in Iowa, seeing his brother Matt and earning some money for college. He came back refreshed and ready to tackle community college. Lauren ventured out to travel on her own to Bulgaria this summer for a two week long archaeological dig. PTL - she didn't have any panic attacks on the air flights. She, too, came back refreshed and now has a vision on what she really wants to study history and museum conservation. She will be starting at community college this fall and looking to transfer to a 4 year college next year. Please pray that God will give her peace and stamina to be able to go back to college. I spent the summer working nearly full time at a learning center doing work similar to what I did at Faith Academy. I loved working with the kids again, but the cultural adjustment pace exhausting! I will continue to work as a substitute at the learning center, but I need to find a job with more hours to help meet our monthly needs. Job hunting has been very exhausting and discouraging, so please continue to pray for me as I go through this process.

James ready to work in the corn



# **Prayer Points**

- -Praise the Lord for all the work done in Cambodia and Indonesia over the last few months. Pray he will use the radio stations to call people to himself from every tribe and nation.
- -Praise the Lord for His provision of a summer job for Chris. Now that summer is over, pray that she will be able to find other work to help meet our expenses.
- -for Lauren as she goes back to college

that she would do well and have enough energy for school and her full time job.

- **-for James to be good student** as he is taking classes at community college
- -for James' need for a part time job so that he can help with his expenses for school.
- -for God's continued provision for our finances as we serve Him through FEBC

# Listener Response From Thailand

I am phoning in today to thank the radio team of "This Life has an Answer" program very, very much! Now I have started to walk again! This is after I told you about how I have been lying down paralyzed for many months. My heart was very troubled at that time and I was about to commit suicide by hanging, but when I heard this program and phoned you that very day, I received great encouragement to keep on living. I thought that my world could never change. But after talking with the radio team, and your encouragement and advice on practical things, plus on how to not feed my negative, hopeless thoughts all the time and to call on Jesus to help save me, I know that it is God who has helped me. But I will need to take a while in sharing with my family that God is doing this. When I told my daughter that "your Father has received help from God and he is good towards me!" my daughter said that I was now mad as well as paralyzed. As for me, I know that I am being helped by Jesus, even though it will be a while before my family can accept that what is happening is because of the Living God.

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