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## Tomb Sweeping & an Empty Tomb

This year Easter actually fell on the same day as a traditional festival called Tomb Sweeping Festival. According to tradition, the festival was originally held to commemorate a loyal man who cut a piece of meat from his own leg in order to save his hungry lord who was forced to go into exile when the crown was in jeopardy. This festival is a day to honor the dead, to pay respect and sometimes even worship departed ancestors. It is a day to go and clear the weeds and growth off the tombs.

This year though, we remember Him who allowed His body to be broken and poured out His blood for us on the cross. We remember and honor the dead as well as remember and rejoice in the One who has risen from the dead. As others went to the clean off the tombs of their ancestors, we remember the women going to the tomb to find it empty for He has risen!



## What is an Opera

<u>Opera</u> (English plural: operas; Italian plural: opere): an art form in which singers and musicians perform a dramatic work combining text (called a libretto) and musical score, usually in a theatrical setting. Yes, we are going to put on an opera here in our city, except this one will be comprised of national staff training new believers in the art of sharing the goods news of Jesus' life, death & resurrection (evangelism) and building others up in their faith (discipleship). It is going to be a truly magnificent performance!

We are inviting the 8 new believers that are attending our weekly Friday Bible Study, as well as other students from a local church near our university. We are so blessed to have national staff coming in to teach, train and communicate the Great Commission in the heart language of these new believers.



Our Opera will debut on May 1st and run until May 3rd. Please be praying with us that all 8 students can attend, that the local church members will want to come too, and that even within the week 3 more guys (Tony, Jerry & CJ) will place their trust in Jesus and come to the Opera. Pray also for our team as we plan for this intense and exciting week, that we experience joy and energy in the midst of planning.

As always, we are so thankful to partner alongside you in this ministry, as we reach students for Christ here in East Asia.

Blessings,

NICH & Tricia



