East Asia (not yet)

Campus Crusade for Christ News from the Nations Matthew 28:19 "...go and make disciples of all nations..."

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A Lesson in Waiting and Trusting

In our last letter we asked for prayer for Heather's back. Thank you for praying. She has experienced tremendous improvement. The pain has lessened quite a bit, but there is still sharp pain even after walking just a short distance. She has been encouraged by our doctor to ease back into the everyday motions very slowly. In light of this we simply could not go to East Asia in her present condition. Life over there is too physically demanding. I'm not going to lie, it's really hard to wait. Our hearts are set on life and ministry in East Asia and something beyond our control is holding us back.

I've been reminded recently of a passage in Isaiah 55 that reads, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. Our thoughts, and our ways had us on a plane headed to East Asia in less than a week. We've discovered that God has a slightly different plan.

We are learning to wait and trust that God has a good and perfect plan. Maybe He's protecting us from something in East Asia, maybe He has a specific ministry for us at Ball State this semester, or maybe we'll never know why God caused things to work out this way. One thing we do know is that God loves us and takes care of us far better than we could ever care for ourselves. His ways are greater and wiser than ours and in that we take great comfort.

Our New Plan (God willing)

The new plan is to head over to East Asia in January, after Heather's back has had sufficient time to heal and strengthen. We will be there for the spring semester as well as the following full year, returning in July of 2010. We will be rejoining our staff team and the ministry at Ball State University for this fall semester.

Pray

- Pray for continued healing for Heather's back.
- Pray that God would use us this semester in a way that blesses the students, our ministry team, and our community at Ball State.
- Pray that we would always trust God's way and God's plans.

* If you have given a financial gift towards our transition to East Asia it will be held in a secure account until we leave in January.

Yours in Christ,