



## The Kosobuckis Outreach to Internationals

*The stranger who resides with you shall be to you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt; I am the LORD your God. Leviticus 19:34*

Dear Friends,

January 2022

Who knows what 2022 will bring? About two years ago we started hearing about a health crisis brewing in China. We were not prepared for what those next two years would bring to the world and to all of us personally. What else might we be unprepared for this year? *As it was in the days of Noah and in the days of Lot, "so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man...they were eating...drinking...buying...selling...planting...building." "The day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night...while they are saying, 'Peace and safety!' then destruction will come upon them...But since we are of the day, let us be sober..."* (Luke 17, 1 Thes. 5, excerpts). Indeed, let us be sober and be about our Father's business.



Our Thanksgiving outreach in November saw 200+ internationals attend. Guests were treated to a hearty, traditional meal and heard a clear presentation of the gospel. At least two believers per table were tasked with welcome and follow up.



The first Sunday in January included four baptisms, two of them being a Chinese mother from our Global Connect class and her young adult son. We are presently exploring 1 Corinthians in this class for internationals.

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Our first Global *Gathering* (not *Connect*) of the semester on campus found us again in Luke. We decided to begin by showing why we believe that the Bible in general and Luke specifically are trustworthy documents.



The Bible study for Japanese ladies has started up again with more ladies asking to join. They are doing an overview of the Bible. None of these Japanese ladies is a believer and yet they are very interested in learning what the Bible says. We have not seen this kind of interest among Japanese before and pray for God to open their hearts to the gospel.



Friday ESL consistently attracts internationals to all four levels and Jo Ann is continuing her Bible study with ESL ladies after class. She also continues to involve a maturing Chinese believer in leading these studies. Even with the limitations of Covid, the Lord has allowed many opportunities to develop relationships with the international ladies from ESL. Our goal is to integrate these women into gospel-focused ministries.



Long time readers of our prayer letters will remember a time when we included *Justin's Journal*. He has long since grown up and stopped writing the insights he had before he grew out of childhood. Now that he's married and has a son of his own, Brenden has shown promise of having the same wisdom and writing skills his father once had as a child. Below is his first attempt.



First, a kind note to my male parental unit: Dad, people don't do journals any more. That's so 90's. They do blogs. So this will be **Brenden's Blog**.

I've heard a lot about woke lately. My parents used to be woke a lot at night when I was younger, but now I've grown out of that. I think my parents wish our culture would grow out of being woke, too.

Some people have iOS as the operating system on their Apple phones. iOS was also my old operating system: input, Output, Sleep, but don't think I'm so boring any more. I'm almost nine months old and I've added things like Play and Manipulation. System upgrade. Well, that's all for now. Be warmed and filled and dry.

- Brenden