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South East Asia Prayer Center

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## Vantage

### Calendar Items

#### **Surrounding the U.S. In Prayer**

2/1-9 – FL, GA, NC

2/10-11 – Marietta, OH

2/15 – Youngstown, OH

2/18-3/4 –  
CHINESE NEW YEAR!

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The path ahead twisted and turned its way through homes and farms as the land fell away to the right. Not steep, but ever up, the sounds of San Jose borne on gentle cool breezes mingled with the barking dogs to form an audio interlude. This world of wealth from sand, its million dollar price tags at every gate and lawn is a panorama of God's provision.

Where would we be today with out the computer chip?

Mexicans groom the sloping estates. Chinese maneuver Mercedes through the hairpin turns while the "locals" raise sheep and goats. "Dario's Farm" the tree mounted sign reads. "Cows, goats, pigs, and chickens."

These four live together, eat together, sleep together and are advertised together. Looking down on them gently sunning in the emerald field I wonder if they compete ruthlessly for each blade of grass, affirming nod, or parking place like their higher form cousins from the valley below.

Lungs burning and legs aching I reach my goal. It is the last left turn into an estate before the highway winds its wearisome way to the top of Mount Hamilton. It is my 3- mile marker and time to pray over the valley and then retrace the steps back to the bottom. Hands on hips, feet shoulder width apart I rotate my trunk to wring the last economy seat tension from travel worn back muscles and stretch the front as much as I can. 25 "toe touches" work wonders for what used to be a waistline. It was about the time I got my first laptop that the lap disappeared from the top and now I am bound to the daily search.

The Bay Area sprawls before me. I can no longer hear the sound of the traffic. The morning dove's gentle call is occasionally baffled by a small aircraft rising to us from the wealthiest valley in America. Riding the wind the aircraft lifts its cargo amidst their "Oh's" and "Ah's. They are above the pressures, above the competition, above it all and still not as high as I, nor are they anywhere near the hawk.

The hawk is there every morning. I think he is the King of the Valley. He soars effortlessly on the morning updraft. He is assured of his skills. He knows the table set before him and he has only to watch until breakfast is served. He has been equipped by his maker to live from the provision of his location. He raises his family with joy. He does not have to refinance, hold meetings, get the next car model, or keep up with the Jones. He just soars and receives.

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Thank you for your prayers and concern. I am writing from Beijing after just sending Kelly and Vicky off in Tibet. It was a wonderful celebration of their dedication for those people. Many of the families and hospital staff that they served came to say goodbye. They truly have done a wonderful job in this phase of the project and have accomplished much. I was able to hear firsthand testimonies from many people whose lives have been forever transformed directly by these two.

Our relationship with the People's Regional Hospital in Tibet is stronger than I have ever seen it. It is like working with family (That is a good thing!!). They appointed a young translator, whom we have worked with for many years at the hospital, named Magi (Magee) or Sofia to work full time with the project from now until April. The hospital seems to be grooming individuals to fill in when they reach retirement. Sofia seems to be in place to fill Laba's (whom many of you met) shoes. I believe she will do a fine job during these months.

I met with AnZhen Hospital and Dr. Gu Hong in Beijing. She will be assisting Sofia and making sure that she will not face too many adjustments over the next few months. We were able to pray together and recap the procedures from 2006.

April 7-16, Brad Keller (Childrens Hospital); Toshio Nakanishi (Tokyo Womens) and two doctors, Gu Hong (Anzhen Hospital); and four of the most qualified Christian Medical individuals I have ever seen from Taiwan will meet together with my Dad and me in China/Tibet. This Taiwan team will be able to join our existing treatment team and will be able to experience the challenges and joys of working in Tibet. They represent a magnificent group of individuals from Taiwan and will be a strong addition. We will be seeing 37 children at that time.

Transition without much prayer would be a difficult thing. You must have been praying as these days in China have been tremendous. Favor is all around us.

*Matt*

P.S. I had to eat sheep brain! Not too happy about that.

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## SEAPC Cambodia

Several youth from our orphanage and from Fellowship Word of Life Church in Phnom Penh work together to minister to children who live in the garbage dump area. We recently received a report which describes their most recent outreach. Instead of telling you about it myself, I will let you hear about it from two of the young people who participated, named Va and Sokha. Please remember that English is their second language. As you will see, Jesus is doing amazing things among and through these young people.

"I am a new believer in the team. This is my first time to join children outreach ministry in my church. When I thought of the garbage dump and a dirty place, I really don't want to go. And I do not know how to do outreach to children because I am also a new Christian. But, one day while I was praying, I really said that 'I am now a Christian. I believe in Jesus. I must dare to serve Him. If I can not do even small thing for Him why I go church?' Then, I decided to join with the children outreach team. While I arrived at the garbage dump, everyone in my team have to walk up to the top of a garbage mountain....I saw many children walk bare feet across the garbage dump to come to a place where my team does the outreach there because they want to see our performances and drama that show about Jesus. During that time, one of my team members shared his testimony of his own life, I saw many children pay attention and listen carefully to what he said. To see like this, I know that Jesus is the only one who loves all the people of the world. That is why he sent the outreach team there to tell those children about His Love.

In my prayer, I hope one day those children will become Christians. In the future, I want to see them serve my Jesus." - Va

"Through God's grace, I become his daughter. Through His love, I can love others. Through God's plan, I meet a boy (Pouern) whom I wish to meet him again. While Sothea shown the boy to the team, I was very surprised because Pouern was the boy who rejected my invitation during our first outreach in June. But this time, he became our contact for this outreach. God is so good. My team was very happy to see Pouern and prayed for him. We also visited his family. Our team takes chance to take picture with him and his mom and brother. In my prayer I want to see Pouern's family has a better place to live. Especially, I want them to know Jesus!!!!!! Jesus is the provider to all kinds of their need" - Sokha

You can participate through CCSN, sponsoring an orphan, or supporting pastor training/church planting. You are always welcome to join us in reaching out to Cambodia. Just like jello, there's always room for more.



*Garbage dump ministry*

*Tina Tomes*

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# Vantage *(cont'd from page 1)*

His vantage gives him advantage over everything beneath his roaming shadow.

I watch as the shadow passes over the emerald field. Subtle, silent, the sun above and behind him, feathers silently correcting for pressure change he hunts. As the shadow passes, ground squirrels dive for their dens. Goats huddle with their lambs. Rabbits freeze in place without even a nose twitch, pretending they are not there and hoping the hawk passes by. What is his advantage? He can see clearly and is wonderfully made to hunt. He fulfills his potential every day. With effortless grace, he is known by everything beneath him. Take away the vantage and he is just another bird.

Today, in this cool morning, heart calmed, muscles relaxed, face smiling from ear to ear, I am the hawk.

I look down on the Valley of Riches and I say, "The Lord has provided everything I need to accomplish that life for which I have been crafted. As long as I soar with the updraft, keep the Son behind me, let the shadow of His presence, His light through me, roam the valleys beneath, no weapon formed against me shall prosper, no sickness shall dwell in my body, the Lord prepares a table before me even in the presence of the enemy."

Vantage gives advantage. It lifts us high above every power and principality. We can see clearly. We can feel the strength of the Holy Spirit and the gentle guidance of the Word of God. We are a soaring testimony of His creative genius and provision power.

Our vantage point is His right hand. We are above and not beneath. We are sustained by the marvel of His design. We are His story told to the nations. A people not consumed with the ways of the world. We are in it, but not of it. We are God's ambassadors to a people caught in the competitive crisis of a postmodern valley so fattened by wealth that they have lost their laps forever.



"A computer without the Internet is a typewriter," my new friend proclaimed. He is joining our team to bring remote diagnostics into reality so the sonograms of pregnant Tibetan girls will be read at the People's hospital 5 days away through redeemed Silicone Valley Technology.

"A person without Jesus is even less. Though he owns mansions in this life, he has nothing," the Yale grad continued.

I thought I felt a breeze.

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## Knits for Tibet

Last Thanksgiving my wife and I made the familiar trek east on the Pennsylvania Turnpike to see my Aunt Christine, Uncle Jack and the rest of the Myers clan. After dinner my Aunt brought out a large bag of knitted sweaters and blankets that some of the wonderful women of First Assembly of God, York, PA, had made for the children in Tibet.

At first I wondered how on earth someone was going to pack these gifts and carry them across the Himalayas but my wonder became a reality as my father quickly suggested that I be the one who would deliver the gifts. This month, I made another familiar trek that left me high atop the Tibetan Plateau. This trek brought me to another family, one whose lives had forever been touched by the health of their child and the gift of eternal life. I shuffled through my things

## Attack Lambs

and handed one of the mothers a little pink knitted hat that she immediately used to cover the ears of her infant daughter (right).

I explained to her the distance this gift had traveled and that people on the other end of the world would be praying for her and her new family.



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## Sufficient for the day... Matt 6:34

His mercies are new every morning... this is possibly my favorite scripture. Lamentations 3:23 - Read that chapter.

I've moved from a clean slate in last month's news article to still a clean slate. Which is to say the furniture I was expecting never materialized. On December 15, when I wrote the article all looked well—but the man's other office sites decided they needed all of the furniture. I can't blame them. It was really very nice stuff, and I did know they had first pick of what they needed. Matthew 6:34... Take no thought for tomorrow... comes to mind and I just continue to work on ....

It's just like our lives: just when we think we've arrived—gotten smart—figured something out—become successful—along comes another challenge to prove again that Jesus is the one who has it all together.

Dealing with orphan care, heart surgeries, bible schools and children's schools not to mention the war in Iraq, oppression in major cities everywhere, and friends and families who have illness and relationship crises is certainly more than enough to put office furniture in perspective. That stuff can really put one under the covers to hide.

But fortunately we also hear of the daily victories and His new mercies. For instance, Dan Ecker's (Thailand Missionary) narrow escape from death by car accident on

## Ellie - Home and Office

Sunday twice in one trip. One accident he escaped totally by a hair and the second he came through without a scratch though his car was nearly totaled and one boy who was hit on a bike has a slight leg injury. Dan was on his way to Nong Khai to teach in the Bible School. The road was newly paved and still unmarked. He was on a curve facing a truck, car and bike coming toward him.

Also Paul and Kate Carter who are North Way Christian Community missionaries with United World Mission in Senegal, Africa, have seen God's mercy of healing through the prayers of many. Two of their daughters are recovering from life threatening bouts with malaria. Please pray for them as they continue treatment and recovery.



Yes, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. And maybe if we don't take the time each day to clear the decks of our lives—we won't be able to see His new mercies in the next.

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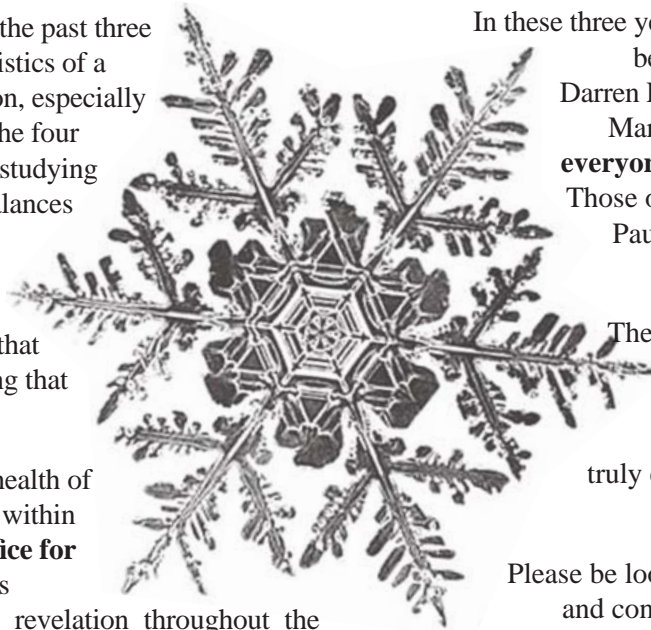
## Sent Ones

*"But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as a loss for the sake of Christ." Philippians 3:7*

It has been a wonderful joy to spend the past three years learning the different characteristics of a faith-based, not-for-profit organization, especially one so close and dear to my heart. The four previous years in college were spent studying the natural world and the different balances holding it in place, so when a non-profit organization was explained as a "living thing" it made much more sense to me, mainly because I know that the Lord is the constant in maintaining that balance.

In nature, all things sacrifice for the health of an ecosystem. I quickly learned that within this organization **all members sacrifice for the sake of Christ** and that success is measured in the expansion of this revelation throughout the world.

Imagine Paul as he wrote these words to the Philippians. He basically accomplished everything that the world had asked him



to and had spent his life building his name in that region, all of which subtracted from the treasure of Christ. **Mid Life Crisis?**

In these three years my heroes have changed. They have become Mary Kelly Handy, Vicky Planta, Darren Lim, Bono, Deborah Ecker, Chris Casto, Mary Kay Burt, Ken Martin and **just about everyone taking the time to read this article.** Those of you who value this sacrifice and, like Paul, are now working for the Kingdom of God.

The SEAPC annual board meeting is being held January 18-19. We will sit down and rejoice together in the expansion of our treasure in Christ and truly enjoy looking back on the sacrifices we (that means you too) have made.

Please be looking for your annual report in the mail and contact us directly to learn more about this very exciting new year.

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## Answered Prayer Testimony

It has been five years of coming to the West Coast asking the Lord for a connection to the Cambodian Community in Long Beach California. In the early sixties, assured of victory in Vietnam and preparing to develop free enterprise in South East Asia, the Eisenhower administration arranged for 700 Cambodian students to come to the United States and to receive advanced education. The plan was that they would learn the American way and then, when the war was won, they would become the infrastructure that would bring American enterprise to what had been French Indochina. There was a flaw in the plan. We lost in Vietnam.

Caught up in post war frenzy, these 700 became people without a country. Administrations changed. Promises were not fulfilled, and soon boatloads of Cambodians began to arrive on American shores. These were those citizens who had worked with the U.S. government and military who were ferried out as nations fell.

The second wave that reached these shores were those who escaped the diabolical efforts of Pol Pot and the now infamous Killing Fields. Each with a story of pain and suffering they worked their way through the refugee system and arrived in Long Beach. The community is now 60,000 strong with a developing economy. This month the Lord has brought us together with the leadership and has formed a bridge through the Cambodia Association of America and the Cambodian Chamber of Commerce to allow our gospel witness to be imbedded in their ongoing quest to join the global economy.

Thank God for answered prayer. We will join with the groups in an April Cambodia Day in Long Beach. SEAPC will become part of the Cambodian Community on California.

SEAPC will have a float in the Cambodia Day Parade and will join arm in arm with these thousands. Why? We are building a bridge over which resource can flow to the resurrection of a nation from fields of death.

## 12 Power Prayers for 2007

As we stand at the crossroads of time, the seventh year of the new millennium, we see war on every side, famine and pestilence that cannot be cured and threatens to mutate into panepedemics. Every culture struggles with the emergence of an amoral generation with no absolutes. Global focus has come to a strip of land 100 by 24 miles. A possible global nuclear war could spark from a city where the Angel of the Lord once said:

*“Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,” says the LORD Almighty.”*

Use this newsletter to join with the SEAPC Global Community to call upon the Lord for the release of His Spirit to touch the hearts of men. Please make prayer a priority in your life.

### February

Gracious and glorious King of heaven and earth. I come to you in the name of your Son, my Savior Jesus Christ. I thank you that Jesus is living at your right hand to pray for me and that right now the Holy Spirit is in me helping me to pray to you.

You are my bread provider. I submit my life to you and ask you to bless me with abundance that I may be generous to the needs of the nations.

In the name of Jesus I forgive every person living or dead who has hurt me, or used me, or abused me in any way. I release them into your hands and I ask you to bless them: that they may know you and live in righteousness.

Lord, evil abounds on every side but where evil abounds, grace is much more powerful. I ask you to give me the grace to overcome every plan of the evil ones, both man and spirit, and to be more than a conqueror.

I pray that you will send your Holy Spirit to establish Your Kingdom of Righteousness, Peace, and Joy on the earth. Drive out every power of darkness for your names' sake.

Lord, I join with my brothers and sisters around the earth to proclaim, You are the King of all Kings and the Lord of all Lords.

## Names for Prayer

### Tibet

- Mary Kelly Handy
- Dr. Wang
- Dr. Ren
- Dr. Ma
- John Felmet
- Brad Keller
- Dr. Koko
- 37 Children awaiting treatment
- Equipment costs

### Thailand

- Dan, Debbie, Josiah Ecker
- Hubert Chan
- Ps. Thomanoon and family
- Hong Sunee
- Ps. Tong
- Isan Bible Institute
- South East Asia Products Company

### Laos

- Weipon and Lampon
- Nupon
- Silivan
- Tu
- Micro-economic development

### Cambodia

- Ps. Sinai and Somalay
- Sothea
- Boeurn and Vanna
- The Kids
- Cambodian Christian School Network

### Vietnam

- Ps. Mai and family
- Pastoral Training
- South East Asia Products Company

### Malaysia

- Ps. James and Evellyn
- Boon Fei and Angela
- Pastor Ho
- Pastor Wong

### Hong Kong

- Agatha Chan
- Curtis and Mei Lin Jones
- Dennis and Cathy Balcomb

### Taiwan

- Mike and Anne Jih
- The Choa Family
- Andrew and Marrion Jiang

### Mexico

- Ps. And Mrs. Bulmaro Valle
- Hector Zetino, Mark, Jeannie, and Debbie

### Guatemala

- Amilcar Cabrera, Rudy, Ellie, Ami
- Mark and Lois Simpson



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