

Late last month, Lecia shared two questions that appear in Acts 2: "What does this mean?" and "What shall we do?" Both of these questions continue to confront me daily as I deal with the various situations in my life here in Oregon. I can't even begin to count the times I have answered..." I really don't know!" I move through each day completing MOST of the tasks before me, trying desperately to finish each of them well. However, there always seems to be more I should have done, especially for HIS GLORY!



My George Fox University class and tutoring are going reasonably well. Not only do I teach my seven young freshman Chinese men in class and orient them to GFU campus and Newberg, I also take them on Saturday cultural excursions around Oregon. Thus far we have experienced the rain and sun during a Columbia Gorge waterfall trip and vibrant sunshine at the Champoeg State Park Apple festival. However, they much preferred to shop at Washington Square and forego so much driving. They remind



me of my students at Eurasia private university in Xian.



Lord willing, I will be starting an English conversation corner on campus at GFU this coming Thursday evening. This has taken so much more effort than I expected. I am also helping a bit with an international group on Friday evenings off campus in Newberg. I have recently contacted Oregon State University with the possibility of volunteering there, but they require a WEEKLY commitment and Corvallis just is NOT around the corner, as was Village Café in Xian. Things at Chemeketa Community College are currently at a

standstill. Everything here seems to be taking soo much more effort to begin things this fall, no matter how hard I try.

As I type, I am hosting four vibrant Chinese primary and middle school teachers from Chengdu, China for four days. They are part of a group of 34 teachers who are visiting the NW for three weeks and are here at GFU for two of them. They remind me so much of my PhD classes and I will miss them intensely when they leave. They love to cook Chinese vegetarian food for me and my friends and I am





delighted. I have been able to take them to Rolling Hills Community and Chinese Faith Baptist, as well as also Washington Square and Woodburn Outlet stores. Oh, all Chinese seem to truly enjoy shopping! ☺

Speaking of churches, I am helping with a free English class (ESL) offered at Rolling Hills Community during the free meal at their Hope's Table on Monday evenings. The students there are adult Hispanic parents who are trying to keep up with the English acquisition of their children. Oh the joy of learning a second language as quickly as a child! ☺ Bible Study Fellowship on Tuesday mornings at Rolling Hills is an intellectual/spiritual challenge and the fellowship is precious. I am also enjoying helping with the missions program at the much smaller Chinese church in Lake Oswego.

AS for the Wilsonville house, I am still not finished with the papering and there always seems to be more painting! I spent a week ordering blinds for the new triple pane windows and the appropriate area rugs are proving impossible to find! My fig tree is producing 'tons' of figs that continue to ripen at inopportune moments. It truly is MORE than just leaves!☺ You have to have a "FRUITFILLED" fig tree to understand my concern.☺ However, I am thrilled to have figs to SHARE with anyone who even thinks they like figs. PTL!!!



Oh mercy - I have shared too much already and there is so much more. And again - every situation seems to raise those first two questions. What is God telling ME and what exactly IS the next step? AND my answer... "I just am not sure yet!!!"



Prayerfully, you now understand why I am needing your continued loving support more than ever. Living here just feels so much harder than Xian. I am to be at Manzanita Sunday, October 20th and shared with the mission group at Lacombe a few weeks ago. I ache to be with you and share more personally. If you have ANY time on your upcoming schedule, I would love to hear from you. Please

don't forget!

I will close with asking you these same questions. What do the things in YOUR life mean for the glory of HIS Kingdom and what is HE asking YOU to do? I would love to hear your answers!☺ May HIS Love and Wisdom direct you and I pray HE will do the same for me. Until NEXT month...



P.S. While feeling a bit blue and lonely, this email POPPED up in my inbox. I feel it will thrill your heart, as it did mine, and encourage you to keep praying for me and those HE brings into my life ... whether in China or here in Oregon!

*Dear Bonnier,*

*Long time no connecting. Having missed you very much since you have gone back to US. I still can remember the days when we talk about The Holy Bible in village cafe. Good news, with your help, I have successfully settled the puzzle of "GOD" problem! I confess that i am a sinner. I need God's help to having mercy on me. And with God's help, I have learned how to pray!... With I pray for God, he have showed me his glory . can feel it. I pray for God give me peace in my*

*heart and review my curricula in an effcent way, he gives it to me! Thanks God, thank you for letting me know him.*

*All my best wishes to you and your family! God bless You!*

*Yours sincerely, Kevin*

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