

Note from Alice: This letter contains several installments. Be informed and pr@y.

Greetings from Newberg/Wilsonville/Xian,

March, 2013

All the above are places I call "home". I teach in China, I have a condo that I am trying to rent in Newberg and a Wilsonville house where I will live when I return in July. And yet, where is 'HOME' to someone like me? It is written that our true HOME is with HIM and with all who love and worship HIM! We are only travelers in a foreign land. That is so true for me at this moment. My emotions are spinning as I move from one place to another. Nevertheless, I feel that HE is with me regardless of my lodging and/or work place and your pr@yers bring comfort.



The past eight weeks have whirled by, spinning with visits to my very ill brother in Republic, Washington and with family and



friends all over the

Northwest. In five churches, I have shared the dream of my next step in my university work here in Oregon. Interviews with two university international/ multicultural departments may be leading, if it be HIS WILL, to a position as an adjunct teacher this coming summer. Participating in three different university international parities and groups brought additional excitement and joy! **ALL of this is in HIS HANDS**, and my heart is

overflowing with gratitude.



In addition, HE has allowed me to find, purchase, and set about renovating a lovely 'attached home' in Wilsonville, Oregon. The location and access to I-5



dovetail beautifully with my new work dream. However, this has involved moving and trying to rent the Newberg



condo. Once again **HIS GRACE IS SUFFICIENT** and **HIS TIMING PERFECT**.

Words can't even begin to express how HE has led and the strength HE has bestowed. HE has proven again that **NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH OUR FATHER!** AND now I can return to my 'home' in China knowing that HE IS BRINGING me back to my "new place" of service for HIM here in the NW! HE has opened doors that two months ago I didn't dream existed. I know you have been pr@ying and that makes all this even more exciting and 'possible'! PTL!!

Alice is recovering well from her arm surgery and I am so grateful that she will be able (Lord willing) to send this letter out after I return to China. Without her formatting magic of my photos and time sending out my letter, I would be unable to share HIS LOVE and JOY with you. Once again I am so grateful to both of you for your faithfulness, love, support, and pr@yers.

Therefore, no matter where you are making your home at this moment, may you be assured that even though we are only foreigners in a distant land, we are safe in **HIS HAND** and our future is secure in our **HEAVENLY HOME** and **HIS LOVE!**

Feb 25

WELL -- We serve a great Father -- I now have a house sitter for the Willsonville/Charbonneau house -- as of 7PM last night!!!! a young pastoral graduate who is an assistant pastor at a Bapt. church - on Boones Ferry - - raised in an M family in Mexico - speaks fluent Spanish and is working with a Spanish church.



Feb 27

Just a quick note to let you know that I just arrived in Xian - Safe and sound and almost all unpacked. (only one suitcase and a computer bag this time) All went OK = just a very LONG 38 hour trip. Not sure when I start teaching = Maybe Friday = Will see TOMORROW:- For now == I just think I will just 'hit the hay'

blessings and thank you for pr@ying -

March 3

It is soo hard to believe that last Sunday I had just moved out of my condo. It feels like a very long time ago, let alone finding a house sitter/renter for my Charbonneau house. Only HE can do such miracles.

Today - Sunday afternoon - I thought I would just go to Village to see if there were any students. 25 came - -Some had been coming for two weeks -- just in case. I was planning on starting NEXT Sunday== 3 ever stayed for the B Study. Grief - -I also have 5 native English speakers helping -- HE IS SOO FAITHFUL --

Anyway -- just wanted you to know - This is another area of special pr@yer. most of them KNOW that I am leaving -- (interesting how fast that word has spread) soo they are trying to come NOW -- so they won't miss anything. I really need to find someone to keep these corners going. really and truly!!!

It is going to be a very interesting semester.

Walking together in HIS Celestial SONlight

Bonnie