

Lost Sheep Ministries News

August 2015 - Part II - Vietnam

The Great Commission: Matthew 28: 18 - 20 is a commission for all Christians to **GO**, *make Disciples*, and *teach* them to **OBEY** all that Jesus has commanded us. LSM is dedicated to evangelizing the lost and making Disciples of Christ that make Disciples of Christ according to **II Timothy 2:2**.

Notes from Pastor Bob: This is the second part of our August 2015



Newsletter. I have flown lots of miles returning from Moscow, escorting Pastor Steven Yoes family to Amsterdam, back to Hong Cong and on to Ho Chi Minh City. I enjoyed a brief celebration with family for son Joshua's birthday before departing again for Nigeria.

These many travels are tiring but thanks to the support of Dean Lange, I can usually fly first or business class, which provides me much more room and often a comfortable way to stretch out and sleep on long flights.

PASTOR BOB



Tuesday July 28, 2015: I left Houston, TX on Monday for Chicago on my way to Ho Chi Minh City by way of Newark, NJ. Our flight was delayed so I got a room at the Howard Johnson's at the airport. I am number one on the standby list. I have four hours to go fishing with Jesus. I met a young lady who had a wonderful smile. She saw my name and said hello Pastor Bob. That started the conversation that led to her receiving Christ as her Lord and Saviour. Now I know why God sent me to Newark. I went to the chapel and began to pray and listen to praise songs. I met Juana while waiting so I shared the gospel with her. She kept nibbling at the hook. Her mother is a Christian she said and she lives in Cuba and always tells her daughter she is praying for her to be saved.

Well Juana humbled her heart to Jesus and prayed to receive Christ. I showed her on my iPhone the Spanish Bible and she read Romans 10: 9-10. A big smile came over her when she realized that she was saved and said to me today July 28 is my spiritual birthday. I had another lady there take a photo and Juana gave me her e-mail address so I can send her a Spiritual Birth Certificate.



I sit here in my seat travelling to Vietnam via Hong Kong realizing that God detoured me to Newark to lead these two ladies to Him and to give me a business class ride to Hong Kong. Thank you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I am so much looking forward to what He has planned for me on this journey.

Thursday 30 July 2015: The adventure has begun. I am in a hotel room with Jimmie Vo, a friend I met in the Philippines. He met me at the airport and put me in a cab to this hotel. This morning I met Pastor Donde and R. L. from the Philippine Islands in the lobby. Then Pastora Ha from the Philippines came to my room. We made plans for my return trip to the Philippines to be from 23 October to 2 November when will be equipping a core of Christians to teach our Training Student Trainers (TST) course. TST is designed to equip students to take the Gospel into their schools.

I have not been able to contact Pastor David Mai with the Kirkwood church team who arrived in Vietnam from Moscow this past week but I am among brethren, amen. I spent Thursday and Friday in my hotel room waiting for Pastor Mai and the Kirkwood team to return from Da Lat, Vietnam on Saturday. I had time to praise and pray.

Saturday 01 August, 2015: This morning, I was moved to a different hotel where Pastor Mai and team would be returning. When I was checking in the team arrived. PTL! They were excited to share with me the wonderful works God had done with them in Cu Chi and Da Lat, Vietnam. Hundred's were saved and the altar was crowded with others wanting prayer for



healing. I wish I could have been with them but it is more important for us to be in God's will than in our will. This group photo is of the Pastor's conference in Ho Chi Minh.

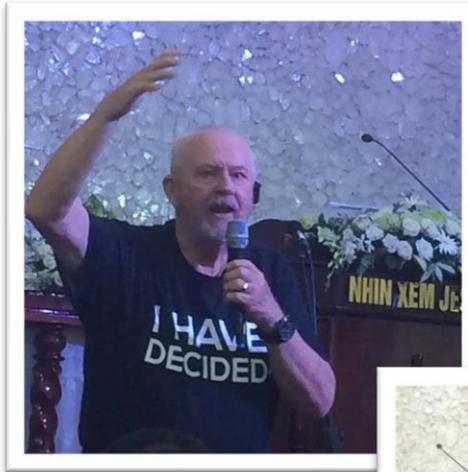
Sunday, 02 August:, we attended a large church with more than 800 members. It is very traditional service, which reminded me of many



years in Baptist churches. They had opening prayer, three choirs (wearing beautiful choir robes), offering, message, invitation, Communion. The communion service was a gift from the First Baptist Church in Dickinson, TX.

Pastor Mai shared with them about the Moscow trip. I was recognized for wearing my "I Have Decided" shirt.

The choir sang "I Have Decided" in English and Vietnamese languages for me. What an honor!



I shared with the young people a challenge to pray the prayer of Jabez daily asking God to expand their borders. 2/3 of God is Go and God's will is God's bill. I challenged them to Believe God, Trust God, and Obey

God. I am blessed to see the fervor of the young Christians in these countries I am visiting.

We met with the leadership team after the service and I was given another opportunity to share, as were others on our team.



We were pouring out a cool drink of water to thirsty souls. Proverbs 25:25. I will make plans with the pastor to return and share our Training Student Trainers (TST) with them.

I also had a chance to share words of encouragement with a small group of about 25 deaf folks. They were all blessed by the words of encouragement I shared with them.

Folks I love being used by God's Holy Spirit to love others to Christ for Christ with Christ. I mean God's love literally pours out of me and you can see with your eyes the effect it has on others as you share the truth of the Word of God with them.

I spent Sunday afternoon resting and checking the United flight schedules back to Houston, TX. I could wait until Wednesday and fly back with the team on Singapore Airlines Economy class, which I had already paid for. OR. I can spend \$26.00 and fly first class or business class to Houston with United Airlines. I let my age get to me and opted to fly home on United.

However, when I checked in they told me the flight was overbooked and take a seat until they call me if I would get a seat. Therefore, from 3:30 to 4:45 I sat and prayed that God would put me on the plane. I believe there are three locations where lots of prayer rise to the Lord. Hospital surgery waiting rooms, Courtroom from defendants, and airports from pass riders. Well I got my seat 2E first class to Hong Cong. PTL!

Now I am writing this in seat 2K business class on my way to Newark, NJ. PTL! The flights from Newark to Houston are full but I will be back in the good ol' USA.

Wednesday August 5, 2015: I am now writing this from my kitchen table at home. I got on the United flight arriving in Newark at 2 PM. Thankfully, it was another business class seat. Thanks again Dean Lange. I got bumped off the 4 pm flight to Houston but got on the 5:30 flight.

I walked through my home's door at 11 PM Monday night 37 hours after leaving Ho Chi Minh City. from a man I led to Christ in the Galveston County Jail. He was at West Houston Medical Center for triple bypass surgery. I decided to travel there to pray with him. He was in surgery but they took me to the waiting room where I met his wife. As I waited with her for her husband to get out of surgery, I went fishing. Praise God she prayed to receive Christ through many, many tears. I love those "wet" births.

Catching another fish for Jesus reminded me of the Fish Sauce dispenser I have from Vietnam. It serves to remind me what I have been called to do.

Now I begin my preparation to travel to Pensacola on Friday and Saturday to visit my son Joshua for his 23 birthday. My wife and other family members are driving there for a family vacation. I will return on Saturday and travel to Nigeria on Sunday for 10 days. That will be the next trip report you read. Thanks for your prayers. -- *Pastor Bob*



Recommended Reading: He Dwelt Among Us by: A. W. Tozer. In this day of sound bytes and celebrity gossip, there are far too few opportunities to pull away from the daily grind and really contemplate the deep mysteries of God. However, here is such a thought: "***The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.***" (Tozer's comments from the Book of John)

If John's sparsely worded (but densely packed) statement describing the incarnation of God does not press against our capacity to feel wonder and awe, then consider this: How could deity, with no beginning and no end, cross the gulf separating what is God from what is not God? How could the infinite ever become finite? How could that which has no limit deliberately impose upon Himself limitations? Great is the mystery of the Incarnation.

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