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News from the Field ...

Hello to All...

Deborah and I are writing this letter to you in the midst of our travels. We just arrived in Arkansas (May 19th), after spending a week with my family in Michigan. It was good to see my dad and sister again, and it was the first time for Deborah to meet all of my family. My dad is feeling better, thank you all for your prayers for him.



My Dad Relaxing in his back yard ...

My sister took Deborah and I on a turtle watching hike. It was a very nice hike through some lovely oak and pine forests. And we saw plenty of turtles.



My sister with her new turtle friend.

On our way south we drove the long way to Arkansas with a detour through Kentucky, and we stopped at mammoth caves.

We didn't get to go on the long tour, but got some good pictures on the short tour none the less.



Colorful Stalagtites in Mammoth Cave



The Anderson Clan ..

We finally arrived at the Anderson's, just in time for Naomi's Birthday, and Monday (the 29th) we will celebrate dad Anderson's birthday.

We are very blessed for the time we have gotten to spend with our families, and we are sorry that we won't get to see them for a whole year. But the Lord has called us to China, and to China we are going. Please keep our families in prayer during this time of our separation from our loved ones.

Contact Information.

Just to recap our contact information, all letters and small items such as checks and cards should be sent to:

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Jackson WY 83001

Our dear brother in Christ Tim Henze, is picking up our mail and sending it to us in Hong Kong twice a month or more as needed. All large items, packages and such should be mailed to:

Craig & Deborah Graber
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PROVERBS 1:8-9

My son, hear the instruction of your father, And do not forsake the law of your mother; For they will be a graceful ornament on your head, And chains about your neck.

We have access to email in Hong Kong only. We will try to answer all emails received. However please remember that there can be days of delay from when you send it to when we actually receive it. Also we are including a list of words you can use in your

emails to us, and a list of words you cannot use. Please refrain from using the ministry name of Life Couriers

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International, Open Doors, Brother Andrew, or anything similar. We prefer to use general terms like the "company", or the "firm". Do not use the word Bible, smuggle, or anything similar, use instead words like the "moving the product", or the "packages". When referring to God, don't mention Him by name, we like to use names like "Dad", "Papa", or even "The Boss". If you want to ask us to pray for something for you, please write something like this; Please ask dad to do this for me. Using the word ask instead of prayer is advisable. We know that our emails are being read, so to keep the Chinese believers safe, we ask that you follow these quidelines.

New News

Deborah and I just found out that there will be a apartment waiting for us when we get to Hong Kong. Apparently one of the missionary couples is having to leave, and they are leaving their apartment for us, we won't have to set up a deposit and we may be able to stay there for the whole year, by subletting it. What a blessing! Another blessing is that all of our base funding for the year has been pledged, and in fact we have most of it with us. Only a small amount is coming as a monthly installment from our home church, Community Bible Church.

Additional Needs

We still have plans to journey into the mainland to meet the members of the church, once a month, for the year that we are going to be there. We consider these trips very impor-

tant as we are able to meet our brethren and bring their prayers, and stories to you. We aren't sure exactly how much these trips will cost each month above what we have but we are budgeting for another \$300 to \$400 a month. We will get to deliver the bibles directly to our contacts in the mainland and maybe get to spend some time with them.

Deborah and I are planning to take a Mandarin course in Hong Kong, in the evening, and we may need some additional funding for that as well. We don't know what the course will cost yet but we will keep you informed.

And of course we don't have our return tickets yet (July 2007) but we will start looking at prices in about 6 months.

Prayer Requests

Pray for the health and safety for our families while we are away.

Pray for traveling mercies from the Lord as Deborah and I prepare to start our journey to China (June 3rd, arriving Hong Kong June 6).

Pray for the unity and safety of the LCI teams delivering the Bibles to the Chinese believers.

Pray for the safety of the Chinese believers that are receiving and distributing the Bibles. Remember if they are caught, they will go to prison.

Pray that God will blind the eyes of the people that would prevent His children from having His Word.

Pray that in all things Deborah and I will see God's direction clearly and be obedient to it completely.

Blessings to you all in Christ, we love and miss you all. Lord willing, our next letter will be from Hong Kong ...

Craig and Deborah Graber



