

Great things happen



Meow's News

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Firstly, I am thankful for your remembrance of me and the work throughout the past months. I survived with the help of the HS and your caring messages. Despite the full-time schedule, I admit that the past couple of months are one of my growing milestones. In summary, I call this path - REST (Reconcile Encourage Serve Teach) despite I seem to had the opposite.

Reconcile: We know from the Book about the importance in reconciliation with the 'body'. For some time, I felt and knew there were some unresolved issues with parts of the body in FORK city. And I always felt the necessity for reconciliation so we can continue to serve our Father in peace. I had this in mind for a long while and once I saw the timing was suitable, I decided to fly back and seek reconciliation at FORK city. Thanks the our Father, once we met I'd opened up, we discussed what happened, apologized and asked for forgiveness. Honestly, I was anxious and worried, yet through pyers and trusting that we as one body in Him, we reconciled. Yet we both knew, we moved on and we need to put more input in strengthening and building our relationship.

Encourage: Since the beginning of this semester, our international school had increased our student and teachers number. It sounds very normal, right? Well, very shortly, one foreign teacher was hospitalized and the other had VISA issue, and our new teacher was having problem settling in the new environment.

Yes, we were always pying and be one another's listening ears. We help each other when we can, we care for each other when we see the signs. And I truly felt we became a strong team. And we really demonstrated how His Body works together as one. On the other hand, it's Father who put the team together in His perfecting timing, even before we sense it came.

Mid-April, a group of supporters from Hong Kong visited the Community Centre. They were on a sponsorship program with some of our children. And we had interactions together for 1.5 days. It was great to see how this sponsorship program becomes a media to share Gnews; and during the time they spent together, one of the local parents became our sister. And at school, one mother told us she was to join our heavenly family and asked us how. I was encouraged because they saw this as M work and it's to share His Love. Despite the time and effort, it's all worth it.

Serve: Did I mention to I led an English Corner for Elderly in last December? One of the ladies, her 92 years old mum fell terribly ill and she knows her time is near. She went to club with her mother when she was little, and she wants to go in peace like her mother did. We had a home visit the very next day she contacted us. During the visit, I held her hands and reminded her she is a heavenly child and dearly loved by Father. A week later, we've received a call, her mum left this world in peace, but we know she is just asleep..

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Miss H – She is our new teacher from South Africa. She came here to teach at our international school and learn local language. She arrived to ROSE for a month already and she is experiencing some problems. She now feels she loses of identity (who she is and she wants to feel needed) and loneliness (she finds no one yet). She is also studying local language, but she is having great difficulty with her teacher. While I am away, she would be my replacement teacher. Miss H is a hardworking person indeed. She had been in my pyers for sometimes and I hope she would be in yours, too.

May – By the time you read the letter, I trust that I would have safety land Sydney. I already developed a mixture of feelings. Sometime I feel anxious, excited, looking forward and worried. It's about coming home and celebrate my brother's big day, but on the other hand, it is a farewell because only He knows when we will meet again in person.

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Teach: I meant 'working as a teacher' and 'been teachable'. I've enjoy the new career path as a teacher and I've found the values of been a teachable person. At International school, we've experienced π Day (3.14), mid-term exams and service trip. On the other hand, I've share about Easter with our children. I've told them how the ideas of eggs, chick and bunny relate to J. As I lead Year 1's morning Wship, I can share with them about humbly, sharing, do not judge and believe. They became interested in knowing J and the amazing things HE performed. That's the part I enjoyed the most, that I got to see their eyes widely open and wanting to hear more.

And while I am at community centre, I saw the need to 'been teachable' because children respect and listen to me only when I act the way I speak. The longer I spent time with the children, I began to see the lack of disciple and respect they show for one another. We, teachers believe the best way is to teach by examples. They see the way we live, they hear how soft we speak, they feel the way we love and respect one another and they receive ours also.

I might not speak the language as well as the locals, and I might not able to express clearly. But I believe actions speaks louder than words, and action reflects one's attitude and character. And in time, the children see the S fruits that we have and taste its sweetness.



1. Teaching B story
2. Outing with children & parents
3. Visit a school for special needs
4. Picked up painting as hobby

It's not about the present, but your presence

It is true that we have visitors coming in and out of the community centre, they lead children programs and bring gifts to our children. When I was in short-term and trying to build friendship with children, gifts always do the trick. Yet, after 10 months here, I realised the gift won't make the children remember you, and it won't remind them J's love. And since they have so many gifts from visitors over the year, their standard grew. Last time I ran an English workshop, some children actually complain it's chocolate again!

Obviously, we cannot blame anyone but it's simply human nature. Materials don't last, they can't speak for themselves; it's the presence, that you are with them and show them acceptance, love and respect. As I met the Hong Kong team, they shared it's their 4/5th visit to our centre and they are thankful every time they meet the children again. And most importantly the children remember them for the times they had together.

Presence is the best present that children would need.



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J answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

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