

CHANGE IS IN THE AIR!

NEWS FROM DON & SHARON LEE, BANGALORE, INDIA

This may be the last newsletter we write from here in Bangalore. We left the US on March 3 and will be returning on March 30. We have sensed that this is the time for changing direction in our ministry. We are here now, saying goodbye to our friends and selling our belongings here. At times we are sad to be leaving these people behind, but the Lord has affirmed that this is the correct move for us at this point in our lives.

We do hope that we will be able to make a trip back here to Bangalore once a year to continue these relationships and to encourage the Lord's work here, but it will depend on our level of support.

WHAT'S NEXT?

We will continue working under New Hope International, as we have since 2006. However, our ministry assignment will be changed to Urban Ministry in Memphis, TN. We are looking forward to this change, while we do understand that it is very different than anything we have done before. We will be living in an African-American neighborhood, and will be working in conjunction with a church called Fellowship Memphis, and possibly some other organizations as well. We will let you know more as this becomes more concrete.

WHAT ABOUT SUPPORT?

Since we are staying with New Hope International, our support system will be the same. We hope that the amount of support that has been coming in for the last year will be about the amount that it will take to cover our personal and ministry expenses. We are also looking into the possibility of Sharon teaching in a Christian High School or Bible college in order to supplement our support.

If at all possible, we would appreciate it if you would continue to support us in this new endeavor. We need both your prayers and your financial support to make a go of this new ministry.

HOW WILL YOU START THIS NEW MINISTRY?

We are connecting with local people who already know what is happening in Memphis and what needs to happen. We will continue to develop these relationships and build on ministries that are already in place. We also feel the need to spend our first 40 days of ministry in Memphis prayer walking many of the streets where we hope to work. Our plan is to spend 8 hours a day for each of these days (except for 4 hours on Sundays☺). During this time we expect the Lord to give us much direction about the days ahead. We also expect Him to teach us many things that we will need to know for this new ministry. We hope to start this the last week of April and finish the first week of June. We would really appreciate it if you would join us in prayer especially during these 40 days, that we would hear God's voice and learn what we need to. We know that the ministry we are heading into

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is a tough ministry and that fruit will only come as the Holy Spirit does His mighty work. Your prayers are an important part of this new endeavor. We expect that this will be an exhausting, both physically and spiritually, but we know that God will give us the strength that we need.

PRAYER NEEDED!

Please pray for the following:

That we will find God's place for us to live.

That we will have strength and persistence for our 40 days of prayerwalking.

For continued connections with Fellowship Memphis and other Christian organizations.

For a teaching job for Sharon.

For our continued need for financial support.

For our need for a great outpouring of prayer as we begin this new ministry.

For the many things that we don't even know we need prayer for yet!

THANKS

We do appreciate your words (both written and spoken) of encouragement, your consistent prayer, and your helpful financial support both recently and down through the years. We never know quite how to say thank you that expresses the depth of our gratefulness for all these things, so please just accept our heartfelt thanks. We are indebted to you for your gracious involvement in our lives.

We don't have a new address yet, so we can't share that with you, but our email addresses and mission address will still be the same, which will be at the bottom of this page. We would love to hear from each of you. Your words of encouragement and wisdom will be especially appreciated at this time. We will be receiving mail at our Campbellsville address for roughly the first 8-10 days of April.

Yours in Christ,

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