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October Mission Trip to Northwestern China

In mid-October, I made a three-week mission trip to Inner Mongolia, Ningxia, Qinghai, Gansu, Shaanxi, and Henan Provinces in Northeastern China, held meetings in 20 places, and ministered to nearly 3,200 people. I ministered only one day in each place and traveled at night accompanied by a coworker, often by overnight train. I led people to repent in the morning and be filled with the Holy Spirit in the afternoon. Towards the end of the meeting, I'd pray for the healing of the sick. After the meetings, we often had dinner with the coworkers.

The cities in Northwestern China are modernizing rapidly but people are not as hungry for God as in the past. Some house churches in the cities are influenced by **the prosperity gospel from overseas**, **away from the way of the Cross**. This is a tragic trend in the China house churches. As churches become worldlier, they lose the holiness and the power to witness.

After arriving at a city in Inner Mongolia, I ministered at a church's Sunday services in the next morning. As I prayed for people after preaching, many fell on the platform in weeping. I prayed for the sick in the afternoon and then anointed the young people before we went to the next city. The next morning, we met at a suburb area for coworker training. After preaching, people responded in tears. They then were filled with joy in the afternoon. Later we took an overnight train to a city in Ningxia. The next day many people broke up into separate meetings because of space limitation. The coworkers in the city gathered in the morning. After preaching, many wept strongly during prayer time. The coworkers from countryside gathered in the afternoon. They packed every room in an apartment and it took a long time to pray for them. The last meeting was at a house of a Muslim family where I especially prayed for the sick. Later that night I blessed many children at the host family before taking an overnight train to a city in Qinghai. Because it was my first visit there, people waited with great anticipation, and many were elderly sisters. After preaching, many cried out to God in tears. In the afternoon the Spirit of joy descended with many healed and filled with the Holy Spirit in holy laughter.

Later we arrived by train at a city in **Gansu** at midnight. We met at a farm village in the mountainside next morning with coworkers came from nearby regions. Only a few were touched strongly by the Holy Spirit in the meeting. We took an overnight train to the next city and met with coworkers in an apartment next morning. After preaching, they responded in tears as I prayed. In the afternoon, they were filled with the holy laughter. I prayed for the sick and anointed clothes for healing. Then we took a bus to the next city, and **I slept on the bus because I was very tired.** The next morning, we met at a farm village with coworkers from nearby areas. After preaching, they cried out to God in tears. In the afternoon, they were all filled with great joy. We then took overnight train to the next city. We met at a small house next morning for Sunday service. After preaching, I took a long time to pray for everyone. In the afternoon, we went to

another house meeting. Too many people showed up and packed all three rooms. My preaching was interrupted but later they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues. After taking overnight train to the next city, we met at a hotel conference room the next morning. After preaching, people responded to the alter call in repentance with tears. I then prayed for the sick and they all fell down quietly. In the afternoon, the Spirit of joy came and they were filled with great joy. After we returned to the host family and anointed the coworkers, we took a bus to a city in **Shaanxi**.

In the next morning, we met at **the prayer mountain** packed with church coworkers. As I led the worship, **the presence of God** manifested. After preaching, people rushed to the front in response to the alter call. I laid hands on them in turns as many fell down in tears. In the afternoon, the Spirit of joy came and they fell in holy laughter. Lastly I prayed for anointing on the pastoral staff. In the evening, we held **a healing meeting** at the church. After worship, I prayed for the sick on the platform. They all fell down quietly under the anointing. **This church has separated itself recently from the official Three-Self church organization**. The pastor is Spirit-filled with approx. 5,000 believers and over 1,000 attending the weekly prayer meeting. The next morning, we travelled to the next city. In the afternoon, we met in an office building with many coworkers and young students. After preaching, I prayed for them and they all fell down in tears for a while.

Afterwards, we took a train to a city in Henan and then to a village where coworkers from nearby regions packed the house the next morning. After preaching, I prayed for them in groups and they all fell down in tears. In the afternoon, I led them in singing high praises after preaching. Then I prayed for anointing and they all fell down under the power of God without being touched. The Holy Spirit was moving mightily and many were filled with joy. We then travelled to the next city and held a tent meeting in the mountainside next morning, packed with hundreds of people. After preaching, people rushed to the front in tears in response to the alter call. All the sudden, they all fell from the front to the back and cried out to God. I then laid hands on them in groups to receive prayers. After preaching in the afternoon, I led them in dancing and praising God. As I prayed for anointing, they all fell down under the power of God and were filled with joy. I then laid hands on them in groups based on regions. Later, I prayed for the sick at a house church in the city and then went to the next city.

The next morning, we met in a basement with coworkers. While I was preaching, suddenly some officials came to stop the meeting. They wanted to inquire me so I ran away. They tried to stop me for three times but I finally escaped with the help from a local sister. That night I went to a big city and rest for two days. The next day, we met at a vacation house and preached to some new believers. Later I prayed for them and they all fell down quietly. In the evening, they were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues. On the last day, we met at the suburbs with mostly elderly sisters. After preaching, I laid hands on them as they all fell down in tears. More people showed up in the evening. Many were filled with joy and received physical healings.