

# THE ANDERSONS

# What's News?

Normally we try to have a theme for our newsletters. However, in thinking about what we wish to communicate with all of you, there're so many little things that we don't want to leave anything out!

So, this month it's all about "news" from the Anderson family. From graduations to ministry to new events, we really have a lot to share this month! So, please take a minute to read it through, pray and consider how you might **partner** with us for His renown in Mongolia.

### WINDING DOWN AND GEARING UP

The past two months have been busy times for us in Mongolia, winding down spring ministry and gearing up for the summer. There has also been a flurry of activity revolving around Cori's school. The Ulaanbaatar Homeschool Coop put on a spring play "The (Wo)man Who Came to Dinner", in which Cori starred

and Mom and Dad directed. It was fun for all involved and the kids did great! Watch our page on <u>Vimeo</u> for the video (not yet finished at the writing of this newsletter).

After closing curtain, it was time to prepare for the celebration surrounding Cori's graduation from High School. Renee' was involved with planning and decorating for the festivities. Bernie did

graduation photography and Cori made it through 12 years of school. We are proud of Cori, as she's grown up to be a lovely, thoughtful young woman.

The lights had no sooner faded on her graduation festivities, before we found ourselves on a an airplane to meet up with Jonathan in Greenville, SC for his graduation from a two year Bible training program. We had a great time reuniting with Jonathan, connecting with his friends and classmates, reconnecting



2012 IS GRADUATION YEAR FOR THE ANDERSONS! (BANNER OF SNAPSHOTS DESIGNED BY RENEE')

with some old friends and former classmates and listening to the testimonies of the graduates. Jonathan also did us proud, and having both sets of grandparents together on top of all this made it an extra special family time.

With graduations and plays and travel complete, it was time for some R&R at the beach on Hilton Head Island. It was nice to take a break and relax together as a family. Winding down, as we gear up to head back to Mongolia in June (with Jonathan in tow!)



THE SPRING PLAY AT THE ULAANBAATAR HOMESCHOOL COOP



JONATHAN GRADUATES FROM THE EI SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL TRAINING



CORI GRADUATES FROM HIGH SCHOOL

## "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..."

Matthew 28:18-20

#### **GRAIN OF WHEAT**

UPDATE

Music and the arts has become an important part of student outreach in in the city. Our friend and coworker Zolo has been doing music lessons with several young men and 7 or 8 of them are actively following Christ and being discipled. We have several students who come regularly to the GOW camera club, and we are in the process of preparing for a Film Festival. "Open Mic" nights have also seen a lot of participation. We want to continue moving forward in this ministries to reach students for the glory of Christ. Your generosity to our work special enables us to move forward with these kinds of activities.

Thank you for partnering with us!

"... AND BEHOLD I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN TO THE END OF THE AGE"

#### CORNERSTONE CHURCH OF ALL NATIONS

Here's an update on the work at the international church: **Cornerstone Church of All Nations**. Over the winter the steering committee met to set a vision and direction for the church. Here're the results:

WE ARE A COMMUNITY THAT EXISTS TO **EXALT CHRIST**, CALLED TO *REFRESH*, *EQUIP*, *EMPOWER* AND *NETWORK* PEOPLES OF ALL NATIONS TO **IMPACT** ULAANBAATAR, MONGOLIA AND THE UNREACHED PEOPLES OF THE WORLD.

In the process of discovering this vision, the committee appointed Bernie to serve as the pastor of the church until such a time as one can be called to serve in a full time capacity. This has been fun and challenging work, and we're excited to see what the Lord will do with this

strategic ministry in the city. The church has seen Mongolians and foreigners encouraged, growing in Christ, and some even coming to Christ for the first time. Thanks to all of you who have prayed for and supported this ministry!





### DISCIPLESHIP

"Make disciples". That's the command. That's what we believe our Father has called us to do. Renee' has been involved in discipleship of several young Mongolian girls, along with a women's group. We want to see these young women know who they are in Christ, and to be everything that Jesus wants them to be.

Would you partner with us, by praying for these young ladies and trusting the Lord with us for open doors for disicpleship. We want to see young men and young women discipled, equipped and trained to lead the church with strength, humilty, grace and gentelness.



# Prayer: Only the First Work?

Our conviction of this only grows stronger. As we've returned to Mongolia to face all that we are up against, it seems that we must also take the next step in our understanding of prayer. It is not just the first work - but perhaps even the second and third.

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FIRST PLACE AND TEACHING
THE SECOND. I NOW FEEL IT
WOULD BE TRUER TO GIVE
PRAYER THE FIRST, SECOND
AND THIRD PLACES AND
TEACHING THE FOURTH."
JAMES O. FRASER

#### You Are Working With Us!

If this is true, then your participation with us for the Kingdom in Mongolia is vital. We have made a very tangible way for you to partner with us through the pray:Mongolia initiative. All we are asking you to do is to gather a small group of folks who are interested in the work here who will commit to praying together for one hour per month. Let us know who you are (you may contact us through our website) along with when and where you are meeting, and you will receive monthly media and requests to assist you in your prayer times. Your partnership with us in this way is vital and we hope that you will join with us!

Check out the latest <u>video on the</u> **Zamyn Uud project!** 



## CCAN

THE INTERNATIONAL CHURCH IS DOING WELL. THIS IS A PHOTO OUR FIRST EVER EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE! WE'RE SEEING GREATER CONSISTENCY IN ATTENDANCE AND NEW MINISTRIES FORMING. WOULD YOU JOIN US IN PRAYING THAT THE CHURCH WOULD BE OFFICIALLY REGISTERED AND RECOGNIZED BY THE MONGOLIAN GOVERNMENT? THE PROCESS CONTINUES TO DRAG ON, BUT WE ARE TRUSTING THE LORD'S PURPOSES.



### ZAMYN UUD

BERNIE HAS MADE SEVERAL TRIPS DOWN TO THIS COMMUNITY IN THE SOUTH GOBI. THERE IS A SMALL CHURCH THERE THAT IS AN ACTIVE PART OF OUR LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM. PLEASE PRAY FOR THIS GROUP OF BELIEVERS. WE ARE SEEKING TO ASSIST THEM WITH THEIR ACTIVE SLATE OF MINISTRY OF TRAINING. YOUR PARTNERSHIP IS APPRECIATED!



## YOUTH MINISTRY @THE GOW

WE'VE ENJOYED WORKING WITH STUDENTS OVER THE PAST YEAR, BUT WANT TO SEE MORE STUDENTS REACHED AND DISCIPLED FOR THE GLORY OF CHRIST. PRAY FOR STUDENT MINISTRIES AT THE GRAIN OF WHEAT CENTER. WE WILL BE PLANNING FRESH MINISTRY FOR THE FALL OVER THE SUMMER.

## THANK YOU FOR PARTNERING WITH US!











# CURRENT PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1. THAT ALL FOUR OF US WOULD MAINTAIN A CONSISTENT AND PASSIONATE RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS
- 2. FOR OUR PHYSICAL HEALTH
- FOR JONATHAN AS HE SPENDS THE SUMMER WITH US IN MONGOLIA. PRAY HE HEARS DIRECTION FROM GOD FOR THE NEXT STEP.
- 4. FOR CORI THAT SHE WOULD ALSO
  HEAR DIRECTION FROM THE LORD
  OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS IN
  MONGOLIA
- FOR THE RAISING UP OF MONGOLIAN LEADERS (PARTICULARLY MEN) WHO WILL LEAD THE CHURCH WITH POWER HUMILITY AND GENTLENESS.

## How You Can Support Us

**GCF Support** - Your regular giving to the **Great Commission Fund** is what keeps us along with 800 other C&MA Workers on the Field. We urge all of our partners to make this a giving priority.

Outfit Fund - You may designate money to "Bernie and Renee'
Anderson - Outfit Fund" and this money will be used for items needed for the rigors of daily life in Mongolia. We had several large, unexpected expenses when moving back here. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Work Special - You may designate money to "Bernie and Renee'
Anderson - Work Special". This helps us to fund the ministry we are doing in the city.

You may give through your local C&MA church or send your designated checks to the following:

Christian and Missionary Alliance P.O. Box 35000 Colorado Springs, CO 80935-3500

You may now also give directly to our support. If you are interested in our work and would like to participate with us financially, you may do so online. Donations here will be to the Great Commission Fund and be used for our support.

We Greatly appreciate your partnership with us!