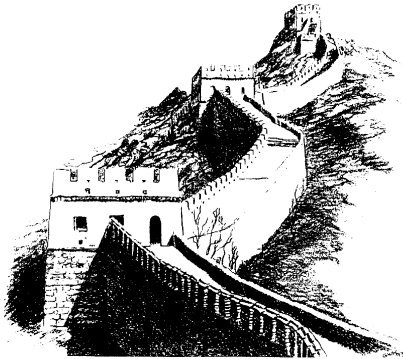


DEREK PRINCE MINISTRIES – CHINA

QUARTERLY PRAYER LETTER

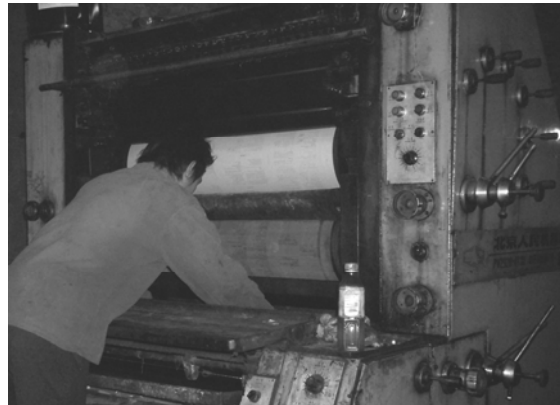


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Goals Achieved

“We thank God for giving us the book ‘Self-Study Bible Course’. We got great help from the book. It helps us to know how to understand and study the Bible, and it also answers questions that we didn’t understand before. We thank God from our hearts that He let His servants do this kind of work and bring helpful things to the Church. We also would like to thank the body of Christ who have devoted their time and money. We wish that more spiritual books will be available to the Church and the workers in the countryside who are suffering a lack of resources. May God bless you and keep you.” – Letter from Brother Chen.

“Thank God for His grace in letting His servants in far countries provide this ‘Self Study Bible Course’. I understand how to study the Bible and know its importance through reading this book. It gives us questions, helps us to think, and also gives us answers in order to help us finish the study. And it also directs us in memorizing and writing the Scriptures in order to help us keep God’s Word in our hearts and get guidance. The advice and suggestions in this book are very important. It tells me to pray before studying and also to end in prayer. In that way, it guides me on prayer and study, and helps me to get a deep understanding of God’s Word. Thank God and thank you to all the brothers and sisters who donated these books to us.” – Letter from Brother Zhang.



It was a wonderful encouragement to receive these letters from leaders of a church in Liaoning province towards the end of last year. As we look back at 2007, we rejoice that we were able to achieve the goals that we set at the beginning of the year:

- We printed over **500,000 books** (including 160,000 ‘Foundations’ packs, made up of the three foundational teaching books – ‘Self-Study Bible Course’, ‘Faith to Live By’ and the ‘Foundation Series’).

- Over **500,000 audio and video CDs** were copied and distributed.
- **100 'Workman God Approves' radio programmes** were broadcast via the Far East Broadcasting Company.
- A further **350 radio programmes** were downloaded from the website.
- A new version of the **Chinese language web site** (www.ygmweb.org) was launched.
- **12 new DVD and video CDs** were released with Derek's teaching dubbed in Mandarin Chinese.
- We have employed a **full-time co-worker in China** to co-ordinate all our activities and to work on translation and our online courses.

It's exciting to look down that list, but it would all mean nothing unless it was making a real difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in China. That's why the letters from Brother Chen and Brother Zhang, and other letters from Chinese believers like them, mean so much to us. They remind us that our labour for the Lord is not in vain and spur us on for the future.

As 2008 begins, we have responded to those letters and set some new goals for the coming year...

Goals for the Future

We have increased our printing target to 600,000 books in the light of the growing demand for these teaching materials.

As you will no doubt be aware, August 2008 will see Beijing (and other Chinese cities) hosting the Olympic Games. The majority of Chinese people, including Christian believers, see this as a great honour for their country. We at Derek Prince Ministries -



China are making plans to work with the Chinese believers to make those few weeks in August a moment of eternal destiny for as many as possible in China.

A special target this year is therefore the printing of 200,000 copies of *'The Divine Exchange'* with a specially designed cover for the Olympics. We aim to distribute these materials before and during the Olympics through churches that are taking an active role in evangelism at that time.

We have also taken note of the numerous requests from more remote country areas for Derek Prince's excellent teaching. So the rest of the 600,000 books will be made up of copies of *'The Atonement'*, *'Objective for Living'*, *'Life's Bitter Pool'*, *'Does Your Tongue Need Healing?'*, *'Praying'*, *'Spiritual Warfare'*, *'Baptism in the Holy Spirit'*, *'The Holy Spirit in You'*, *'God's Remedy for Rejection'*, *'The Grace of Yielding'*, *'The Marriage Covenant'* and *'God is a Matchmaker'*. All these books have messages that are urgently needed by those who have so little access to Christian teaching. We look forward to distributing them far and wide across China, so that many more Christians can grow in their faith.

In addition, we will continue broadcasting the 'Workman God Approves' radio programmes. Responses to this radio series are very positive. For example, a Bible College student wrote to us recently from Jiangsu Province, saying, *"I like to listen to your 'Workman God Approves' programme very much and I listen to almost every one of them. Each time when I listen, I feel that there are a lot of truths in it. I also try to take notes each time."*

Another listener shared, *"I am a brother from Hubei. I am 31 years old this year and have believed in the Lord for three and a half years now. I have listened to your programme for almost two years. Thank God that I have the opportunity to listen to your gospel programme. I have been built up, helped, comforted and encouraged a great deal from it. My spiritual life has grown. The more I listen, the more I feel the truth in it."*

The series is obviously making a vital difference for many people in China, so we expect to broadcast a further 100 programmes via the Far East Broadcasting Company in 2008. We also want to increase the number of these programmes downloaded from the internet by those who are less able to tune in to the regular radio broadcasts.

Our revamped Chinese language website has hundreds of resources available to download including books and audio files. And with a new China-based co-worker now on board we are preparing to launch two new interactive online study courses based on the 'Foundation Series' and the 'Self-Study Bible Course'. Please do encourage any Chinese friends you may have to take a look at www.ygmweb.org and let those they know in China hear of the materials available there.

We also plan to release a further ten DVDs of Derek's teaching dubbed in Mandarin Chinese.

Challenges to Face

We are excited by all these plans, but we are also aware that there are challenges to face. Perhaps the most obvious is the raising of finance to cover the costs of producing all these materials. The 600,000 books alone have an estimated printing cost of US\$90,000. Yet the Lord has proved faithful time and time again, and we are trusting in His ongoing provision as we lift this issue to Him in prayer.

Another challenge is the issue of security. While the Olympic Games provide unprecedented opportunities, they have also led to much closer control by the authorities. More than 70 new laws are believed to have been introduced in an effort to ensure everything runs in the way the government would like, and the activities of foreigners are coming under much closer supervision.

Already Christian workers from several other organisations have been expelled from China and a printer we have worked with has faced arrest and questioning by the police. We thus need to bring every aspect of our work regularly before the Lord in prayer.



Praise the Lord for His faithfulness to us during 2007. Give thanks for all that DPM-China was able to achieve through His help and for all the lives that were changed through Derek Prince's teaching materials.

Praise God for Brother Chen and Brother Zhang who wrote to thank us for the copies of the 'Self-Study Bible Course' and to share how the books had made a difference in their lives. Pray that more Chinese believers will be able to get in touch with us and share their needs, so that we can assist them even more effectively.

Lift up to the Lord our goals for the coming year. Pray concerning the finance that is needed to achieve what we have in mind. Pray over the printing and distribution of the books, particularly during the Olympic Games – may they be truly effective in changing lives for the Lord. Pray for protection of our China-based co-workers, printers, those who distribute the books and those who receive them.



Pray for changed lives too through the distribution of CDs and DVDs, and through the radio broadcasts – may many more come to hear of these radio programmes and also of their availability through the website.

Pray that our revamped Chinese language website might prove to be a powerful instrument for the expansion of God's Kingdom in China. Pray for the successful launch of the online study courses and lift up our in-China co-worker who will assist with this.

Please remember too the security of all our workers and the ministry within China. Ask for the Lord's comfort for the printer who was arrested and for her family. May the work of DPM-China be a tremendous blessing to the people of China in the coming year.

Thank you so much for your partnership with us in this special year. We look forward with anticipation to sharing more with you in the months to come.

Your brother in Christ,

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