



## Highlights, Quotables:

-Living near enough to campus that I can visit my Chinese friends more often, share baked goods, and bump into them at the Post Office.

-Thanksgiving feast at "Talk Time!"

-Sending off some regulars at "Global Friends" back to China—prayer circle and brownies with volunteers and students.

-Me to a young Chinese man: "How have you been recently?" His reply: "I am preparing to send some of my experiments into space."

-Two young women peppering me with questions: "Christians don't believe in an afterlife, do they?" They had just arrived from China a few weeks ago and were very curious.

-Getting to know more people who do campus ministry in Seattle and feeling more connected. I am currently in PA for a week of training, meeting colleagues.

## Chinese Church in Seattle

I had a chance to visit the Evangelical Chinese Church of Seattle and meet some of their members. Their church emphasizes multi-generational fellowship, and the after-church meal **felt like a family reunion**. They have services and activities in Mandarin, Cantonese, and English. **I attended the Mandarin "seekers' study" on a Sunday morning.** The focus that morning was on the book of John: Jesus the Good Shepherd. **Some of those I met had been visiting scholars themselves years ago.**

## Ready to Receive?

Though I have a passion for hospitality, I also have to be ready receive from my Chinese friends. I am trading "Dawn," a doctoral student in Public Health, piano lessons for Chinese lessons. She loves to cook, and takes great joy in feeding me after our lessons in her apartment ☺

I had asked you to pray that while "Amy's" parents were here, we'd have a chance to serve them. We were able to in some ways, but mostly received—in this case, a HUGE meal prepared by her and her parents (below).



(photo: "Amy's" feast for us in her apartment)

## Pray With Me

- ✓ **For Chinese students and scholars who do not know Jesus.** Pray that they would experience God's love for them through us, and feel welcome here.

### INDIVIDUALS:

- ✓ Thank you for praying for "Lyddie." I've heard back from her briefly. She says she's fine, but hasn't said much more than that. Continue to pray for her please.
- ✓ Thanks for praying for Mandy, whose family I stayed with in Inner Mongolia. She's making big life decisions these days about life after graduation. **She's familiar with Jesus but is still counting the cost.**
- ✓ Please pray for "Dawn," who trades me Chinese lessons for piano lessons. She's lighthearted but searching.

### OTHER:

- ✓ Thank God for multiple beautiful Thanksgiving celebrations with Chinese and a unified group of volunteers.
- ✓ Please pray for our planning for next quarter. I have the chance to co-teach a class and be involved with a seeker's study (the Alpha course). I'm planning with others to **invite my Chinese friends to experience the "joy of loving"** (as Mother Teresa says), joining Americans in serving with Habitat for Humanity and other groups. Please pray for wisdom and sensitivity to the Spirit in the planning process.

### PERSONALLY:

- ✓ I have the chance to visit my family in Honolulu next month. I am so thankful for how God has provided community for each of my family members even though we have been suddenly "dispersed" all over the country this year, and for me. Thank you to all of my friends, second mothers, and mentors who have taken good care of me in this transition!
- ✓ Please pray for me as I complete a week of training in PA this week. It's cold here! Also, I want to be teachable.

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