Transforming Leaders in Asia

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We trust you are enjoying God's enabling grace daily in your life.

A blessed vacation



We are glad that our Christmas and New Year Vacation in Birmingham was very enriching and profitable. The Bereans Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church



organized a special Christmas get together in our honor. Since AK taught this Sunday school class for more than two years they have a special love for him. It was very humbling experience for us as the Bereans lavished us with many sacrificial gifts and appreciations. We are also grateful to several other friends who gave us the privilege to have fellowship with them.



Passing on God's vision

We are also glad to inform you that during this visit, the Lord enabled us to launch the ministry—Transforming Leaders in Asia (TLA). It is formally registered with tax exemption benefit in Shelby County of Alabama. AK and Asangla could join the first Board Members Meeting on December 27.



We are grateful to Mr. Wayne & Elizabeth Pate for opening their home to have this meeting. For more details you can visit www.tlaministries.org.

Moved to new home

Of course, we are back to School. Asangla has begun her Master in Counseling. AK is gradually picking up the demands of Spring Semester. But amidst all these we are glad to inform you that we moved to a new house and we will pay lesser rent than before. We moved on January 18 and several friends from the Evangelical Free Church, Libertyville,



where we presently worship, came to help us in moving. We are glad to inform you that our new landlord Mr. Richard Stegner is a believer. He is in his late 60s and suffering from Diabetes. Pray that we will be a blessing to him. Also pray for our previous landlord, who is a leader in the local Muslim Mosque. He is a God fearing person but doesn't see the need of conversion. I shared my testimony

with him, but only the Holy Spirit can change his heart. Please note our new address above.

Please pray with us

- 1. For TLA ministries and its Board Members. Pray specially for God's healing touch on our two Board members: Mrs. Eleanor Thomason and Mrs. Jean Boyd.
- 2. For the leaders of TLA ministries: Mr. Jim Thomason, Mr. Wayne Pate, Mr. Boyd Jordan, Rev. Randy Overstreet, Mr. Steve Stevenson, and Mrs. Caldwell Stevenson as they come together to plan for the year 2003. Pray that God will guide them in building the young leaders for Churches in Asia.
- 3. For the possibility of a Mission Trip to India (Dec 20 Jan 4, 2004). AK desires to conduct the third Leaders Training Program during this trip.
- 4. For the unity among the Churches and the leaders in AK's home state Arunachal in India.
- 5. For the possibility of an evangelical Bible school in that region.
- 6. For our friend Mr. Amzad and Yurila as they sacrificially gave up a prestigious job and now serving Christ full time in a needy state like Assam.
- 7. For Miss Awon Shanglai that she will be able to do well in her study at Beeson.

Please do update us about yourself so that we can pray meaningfully for you. Finally, may the good Lord give us the spiritual thirst and hunger that Paul expressed as he wrote, "I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death," (Phil. 3:10).

Sincerely yours in Jesus.

AK, Asangla., Sonam, Neema, and Joshua