

Lost Sheep Ministry News

February 2019—Guam & Vietnam

The Great Commission: Matthew 28: 18 - 20 is a commission for all Christians to go, make Disciples, baptize them, and teach them to **OBEY** all that I have commanded. LSM is dedicated to evangelizing the lost and making Disciples of Christ that make Disciples of Christ according to II Timothy 2:2.

Notes from Pastor Bob: I am returning to Vietnam by way of Guam. My purpose in this trip is to participate in my Timothy's (Jon Frieden) wedding and share Jesus' Good News as I go.



Monday Feb 18, 2019 I must start this report as John Overton, and I do so often: *“I’m drinking from my saucer cause my cup runneth over”*. I tried to begin this journey on Thursday (Valentine’s Day) when I flew to Los Angeles on a United flight to Tokyo, Japan and then on to Guam for three days and on to Hong Kong for one night and then to Vietnam arriving on Tuesday Feb 19. Well I didn’t make the flight, so I flew back to Houston and tried again on Friday the 15th. Success this time! I boarded a flight to Tokyo connecting with a flight to Guam and then on to Hong Kong on Monday the 18th.

I arrived in Tokyo and after a four-hour layover I traveled for four hours to Guam. I had called my grandson Tommy Helton who is in the Navy stationed in Guam and told him not to pick me up. I’ll take the shuttle to my hotel and we can meet Sunday morning. Tommy picked me up at 8:00 am on Sunday and we have spent a wonderful time putting memory in the memory bank for 27 hours.



We attended worship services at Calvary Chapel on Sunday morning and Lighthouse Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Tommy took me around the island to see his base and where he worked at the hospital, where his dorm was, and we also visited the Dog Memorial for dogs killed in the WWII and believe me it was awesome! Thanks to my daughter Elizabeth for instructing me to visit and get photos. It really was inspiring.

Of course, the highlight for me was meeting Tommy’s young lady friend, Jade Mullins, another Navy corpsman from Indiana. She is from a family of 14! She is precious and I pray they figure out God’s plan for their life’s and get there as quick as they can.

I must back up to my arrival where 10 minutes after landing while on my wheel chair ride I was able to lead Heidi to the Lord. She is 38 and has a

daughter 13. She was really, happy to receive Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior.

Also, I ask for prayers for Pastor Joe at Calvary Chapel he learned that his brother has a severe case of cancer. I want you all to know that Pastor Joe is a mighty man of God and I am very grateful for his prayers, love and support for Lost Sheep ministries. I met him via Robert Lemley so thanks brother Robert for introducing me to Pastor Joe in Guam.



Tommy dropped me off at the airport at 11 am today Monday the 18 of Feb.

Tuesday Feb 19 2 am I am awake in the Premier Lounge so thought I would add a bit more to this report. I really had a great time with my grandson Tommy and his friend Jade Mullins. They are both serving at the Navy Hospital here as Corpsmen. We ate well, toured well and worshipped well at Calvary Chapel Guam and Lighthouse Baptist Church for the Sunday evening service. (I saw some bible tracts at my hotel from Lighthouse so decided I would attend. They have a new pastor from South Carolina and Sunday was his 4th week here.

When Tommy dropped me off at the Guam airport at about 11 am I had about a 9 hour wait. Well I blessed some children from Korea with a Jesus DVD. Then I went up to the United Club and decided to purchase a yearly membership. Then guess who showed up? Heidy, the lady I led to the Lord on my arrival on Saturday night. So, we prepared a Spiritual Birth Certificate for her and she was happy to see her name on that certificate. I encouraged her to attend Calvary chapel. She promised me she would. On my flight to Hong Kong I visited with Thomas from Czech Republic. I shared the gospel with him. He was interested in learning more. He speaks four languages fluently. He is a student at a university in Hong Kong. We agreed to continue our discussion on Christianity via emails. So, I sent Jesus DVDs to Korea via the children. Shared with someone from Czech Republic and led Heidy to Christ in Guam. And I also left 10 Jesus DVDs in Tokyo. Can't wait to see what God will do in Vietnam. Reminds me of Habakkuk 1:5 "Look among the nations! Observe! Be astonished! Wonder! Because I am doing something in your days—You would not believe if you were told.



I have been astonished and wondered for many years now how God has used my life for His Kingdom glory. Okay more tomorrow from Vietnam. My flight is at 3:20 pm arriving at 5:00 pm.



I was here 54 years ago as a U.S. soldier. Today I am here as a soldier for Christ! Join me in praying for souls.

I met with Pastor Daniel and his wife. Jon Friesen and I were here two years ago. The church has a feeding program for visitors at the hospital.

Thursday: We are resting until a meeting tonight with another pastor and a lady named Gia who translated for me two years ago.

He asked Jon to preach next Sunday, March 3rd at one of them. I'm trying hard to update my contact list from the visits I have made here with Kirkland Vietnam Baptist Church and pastor David Mai.

Last night at Mr. Li Italian restaurant I had the awesome opportunity to lead two young ladies from Sweden to the Lord. Man, I slept well!

My reason for being here is to support Jon and marry him & Nguyet Anh Le in Vin Long on Sunday. I'm also trying to get Jon to meet with other churches here helping him to network. Today we visited Grace Baptist Church. It's located in a high-rise building. We met with Pastor Quan the youth pastor and left gifts of Jesus DVD's and coffee from Brazil for the Lead pastor.



Tootsie pop Ministry on Ho Chi Minh streets. I was here in 1965 he was born in 1964. Gave him Jesus DVD Texas pin, Holy Spirit pin, Tootsie pop



My air conditioner has been not functioning since last night and its pretty hot in my room, but I will make it.

On Saturday Jon and I will travel a six-hour bus ride to Vin Long and will meet family members and friends there. The marriage ceremony will be on Sunday afternoon. The bride is the only Christian in a large Buddhist family and Jon has asked me to incorporate the gospel into the wedding ceremony. I'll let you know how that goes after the event.

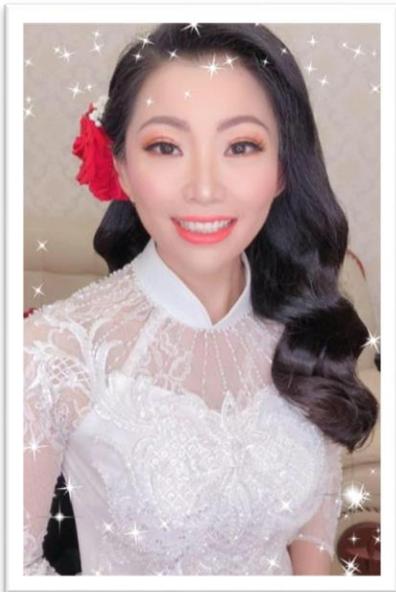


I changed my plans to return home early on the 25th and not the 28th because Jon and his wife will fly to Danang for their honeymoon on Monday the 25th and don't want me to be there with them on their honeymoon. Wife Carol and I have agreed that it's not good for me to be alone so, I'm coming home early. Please continue to pray for me and Holy Spirit inspiration for the wedding ceremony incorporating the gospel message.

All seats on our bus are in full recliner position. "If this is torture chain me to the wall!"

Last night Jon and I were able to lead two friends of Nguyet Anh Le, his fiancé, to the Lord. Today I will preach the gospel at their wedding to a large Buddhist family. Please pray!

Sunday 24 February 2019 Last night we lead Nguyet's girlfriends to the Lord Alice and Tri. Today the wedding started about 2:00 pm. The bride was beautiful as they all are. About 45 family members and friends were there. I presented the gospel before the actual exchanging of vows, ring exchange and candle lighting. A wonderful meal was catered in and a disc jockey started playing music. I left about 4:30 to return to my room but I got lost. But that's okay because about 25 young Vietnamese teens assaulted me with questions. I gave them my email address and website address. Before I started typing this I see where almost 15 have sent friend request to Facebook. But the icing on the cake was Jon had left after me and they ran up to him to show him my photo and tell him they had met me. Well, Jon invited them to the wedding party for Karaoke. They came and we put them on the stage to sing and I danced with several young ladies this was really a joyous time. I pray I will never tire of God's Holy Spirit showing up. I was like honey to a honey bee to those young people. I don't know if it's the grey hair, blue eyes, smile or all of them together. I am like fly paper to flies to the lost. Thank you, Jesus,



Tomorrow I leave at 7:30 in a taxi to the bus terminal, then bus ride to Ho Chi Minh City and then use another taxi to the SGN airport. My flight to Hong Kong is at 3:20 pm. More tomorrow from Hong Kong.

Monday night 9 pm Hong Kong airport

I'm tired but I want to try to write this amazing story of this trip. In total I distributed 100 Jesus Film DVDs. Led seven to Christ (1 Guamese, 2 Swedes, 4 Vietnamese). Encouraged 6 church leaders. Married Jon. Made friends with a Buddhist nun and gave her a Texas pin, Dove pin, and Jesus DVD. She was returning to Taiwan.

I left Houston February 15 and flew to Tokyo. I was able to share 10 Jesus film DVDs there. On my flight to Guam I witnessed to a man from the Czech Republic. In Guam I gave DVDs to Navy corpsman (Jade Mullins), Heidi (lady I led to the Lord) Korean Children at the airport flying to Korea, and 2 churches. In Vietnam I distributed on the streets, at churches, at the hotel, in the taxi, and wherever I felt the prodding of the Holy Spirit.

The highlight for me if I choose one would be ministering at the English school for deaf children. I truly felt the love of God pouring out of me onto these children he loves. I was asked to sit and dialogue in English with four young people probably ranging in age from 11 to 18. While finding out about their families, favorite ice cream, any pets? Size of family, MUSIC, did anyone like to sing or play an instrument. YES, a 14-year-old blind boy said he plays the organ. Well there was an electric piano in the room, and I asked him to play a song for us. He began to play and sing, and he was very good. I chose to dance separately with the other children. two girls and one young 11-year-old boy. If you could only see the expressions of joy on their faces. I had wanted to visit an orphanage that day but could not make contact so Gia our translator asked me to join her at the English school. I'm so glad we did. I want to thank all my prayer warriors and financial supporters for Lost Sheep Ministries. Believe me when I tell you God continues to use this old man for His glory. I can't wait to return to Vietnam this summer with Pastor David Mai's church Kirkland Baptist church. It will be my 3rd journey with them.

A quick recap: Japanese, Czech Republic, Guamese, American GI's, Koreans, Chinese, Vietnamese, Filipinos and one Canadian were all told the glorious GOSPEL message!



Recommended Reading: *Let's Change Your Church* by John and Dot Overton, a process for becoming a co-worker with Christ to change your church into an Obedience Driven Church. If you are a Christian layperson and want to change your church to have more spiritual impact on you, your family, and your community, start a more disciplined lifestyle by becoming Christlike and by aggressively acting on the obedience assignments in this book. Available from Amazon.

Tax Deductible Donations to LSM: Lost Sheep Ministries is a 501(c) non-profit organization. Donations may be made to LSM, 2951 Marina Bay Drive, Suite 130-144, League City, TX 77573. We seek funds to travel, equip, and commission others to take the Gospel of Christ to all nations.

Note: All of our Newsletters and Power point discipleship presentations along with student manuals are available free from our web:

www.lostsheepministries.com

Also, check out our website, equippingstudents.com.

