

The Till Family

Austin, Anny Grace & Abraham

CHURCH PLANTING MISSIONARIES TO CHINA

April 2024 Prayer Letter

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

Rejoice with us - the last few weeks have been filled with many exciting ministry opportunities! Three friends, two who know the Lord and one who is lost, have been interested in joining us for church. Not wanting to put off beginning services any longer, **we began meeting for church in a private room in a restaurant on Easter Sunday, March 31st!** We have been meeting there the last three weeks while renovations are underway at our new church location. **Please pray for Hope Baptist Church!**

Please continue to pray for Miss Wu. She does not know the Lord but has been to all three services so far and intently listened to the gospel preached. Anny Grace has been spending much time with her outside of services as well. **Miss Wu is currently out of a job, which has allowed more time for Anny Grace to get to know her and share the gospel with her.** She told us just a couple of days ago that she is returning to her hometown for a time and isn't sure when she'll be back to Suzhou. **Please pray that the Lord would give her more opportunities to hear the gospel and save her!**

Last month, I wrote that I put earnest money down on an apartment to be used as the location of our church plant. One week later, **I was able to sign a one-year lease and secure that location!** The agent initially had told me that we couldn't begin moving in until April 1st, however **the Lord worked and allowed us to begin moving things over March 24th!** The place is a great size and in a good geographical location, and we are excited to see how the Lord blesses! **There are a few small renovations and touch-ups needed to make it a more welcoming and homey place, and so over the last couple of weeks we've begun renovations.** A large glass wall has been removed to combine what was a living room and bedroom into one large auditorium, and a couple of windows have also been replaced. Our next projects are painting and carpeting. **Please pray for these projects to be finished in the coming weeks so that we can begin services there in May!**

I have been in regular contact with Mr. Chen, my friend in nearby city Changzhou, over the last few weeks. He asks me questions about the Bible and seems to remain interested in learning more about the Lord. He has been sick the last week or so, but has said he would like to visit us in Suzhou in the coming weeks. **Please pray for his health and for his salvation!**

I was also privileged to participate in the ordination of two Chinese men in northeast China a few weeks ago! They were trained for ministry by a teammate, Missionary Mark, and they have each been pastoring churches there in northeast China for the last few years. I initially met them during the original Goforth China Tour back in the summer of 2019, and was privileged to teach them a couple of theology courses online in the years following during the pandemic related lockdowns. It was an honor to see them again and preach at their ordination services along with Missionary Mark and another teammate, Missionary Andy. **I pray for the day that the Lord allows me to train Chinese men for gospel ministry as well!**

Praises & Prayer Requests

- Praise - we have signed a lease on a church location and renovations are underway!
- Praise - Hope Baptist Church has begun services!
- Praise - I was able to participate in the ordination of two men in northeast China recently!
- Pray that the Lord would bless Hope Baptist Church.
- Pray for Miss Wu's salvation.
- Pray for more opportunities to study the Bible with Mr. Chen.
- Pray for the June 2024 & 2025 Goforth China Tours.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up and send forth more laborers into His harvest field.

Reaching China for Christ,
Austin Till

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