

The Antioch Partners

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Dear Friends of The Antioch Partners (TAP),

By the grace of God, TAP continues to grow and develop, and we are deeply grateful for you, our ministry partners. Your intercession, encouragement, financial support, and personal involvement continue to be used by God in helping us fulfill TAP's vision, which is:

Presbyterians effectively equipped, sent out and supported as they participate in God's mission in the world, and every Presbyterian congregation extensively, strategically, and radically involved in this process.

Since change is dynamic in the lives of TAP Partners (Partners is the term we use for missionaries serving through TAP), I want to provide a brief update on several Partners so you can pray for them:

Haugen Family: The Haugen family has been used by God for over eight years in Bolivia. In partnership with Bolivian churches, God has used them in church planting and evangelism, leadership development, children's ministry and community development. Last year the Haugens began sensing God was preparing them to leave Bolivia, and with the support of their local Bolivian partners, they began making plans for their departure. The ministries they helped launch are continuing under national leadership, and the Haugens are excited to see how God will continue his work through these committed national brothers and sisters. The Haugens are now here in the US seeking God's will for their next ministry focus. Please pray for God's clear guidance and direction, as well as for the entire family during this transition.





Van Dyk Family: The Van Dyk family, who have been serving in Asia, have been here in the US on Home Assignment since last spring. After an extended period of prayer and reflection, the decision was made (with the Van Dyk's concurrence) that it is best for them to stay here in the US for the next season of ministry. Thus, Bill and Lydia will not continue as TAP Partners and Bill is looking for a ministry role here in the US. Please pray for the Van Dyk family during this major transition in their lives, and pray specifically for God to provide Bill with just the right job.

Mary: Mary (not her real name) moved to her new home in Asia at the beginning of May to participate in God's work among an unreached people group. During this past year and a half of preparation, by God's grace Mary was able to develop her support team, raise her financial support, complete her pre-field training, and get all her affairs in order for this exciting step. One of the many encouraging aspects of Mary's experience is that the majority of her financial support is coming from a significant number of smaller churches in her home state. These churches are excited about partnering with Mary as another expression of their commitment to live out Christ's command in Acts 1:8.

Finally, TAP continues to move ahead on our strategic priorities. One of these strategic priorities is Business as Mission (BAM). BAM is "... a strategy for the Glory of God, through viable and sustainable businesses which have Kingdom of God values, purpose, perspective and impact – with the specific purpose of the transformation of people and communities: spiritually, economically, socially and environmentally" (YWAM). BAM has become an increasingly important dimension of the world Christian movement, and we believe God is raising up many Presbyterian business people who will use their business skills in strategic ways for the sake of God's global purpose in Christ. In the next TAP Update, we will explore BAM in more detail, so stay tuned!

In Christ,

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