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**EAST
ASIA**



“He has not lived in vain who dies
the day he is told about the Way.”

~ Confucius



Movements Everywhere

Recently, I had the privilege to speak to 500 students at a Science and Technology University. In my message, I challenged these students to consider having a clear purpose and goal in life. Through a divine appointment, I was able to share Christ with a key student leader who was known to be hardened against the gospel. When I asked him, “Do you want to know Jesus personally?” He replied, “Yes!” What a privilege to be His instrument to usher another person into His kingdom.



means Peter).” Jesus redefines Simon’s identity as Peter the Rock, what he would be in the future.

“Come follow me,” said Jesus to Philip (verse 43) and Philip brought Nathaniel. Within the first four days, Jesus had six disciples. Each of these disciples got to know Jesus personally and grew in their faith. The calling of the first disciples showed clear signs of a movement – individuals who truly know and follow Jesus and brings others to follow Him. The process through which Simon became Peter was long but Jesus did it. Likewise, I believe God can and is able to make East Asia into a major missionary sending base.

In 2007, there were more than 41 million exposures to the gospel and over 4.7 million indicated decisions for Christ in the East Asia area. God has blessed us tremendously as co-labourers in the harvest field, and we are humbled to be part of His movement.

We thank God for many who have co-laboured alongside us. You have been a special part of our lives, and we want to thank you for partnering with us in the most exciting challenge of this millennium.

The first chapter of John describes how Jesus started His movement. He began His ministry by calling a few men to follow Him. “Come and see,” said Jesus to James and John (verse 39). After spending some time with Jesus, they brought their friends to Him. Andrew brought his brother, Simon Peter. Jesus tells Peter in verse 42, “Your name is Simon, son of John but you will be called Cephas (which

Your partner in the global harvest,

Jeong Insoo
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More than 5,000 staff members and 63,000 volunteers serve with Campus Crusade for Christ in East Asia.

The vision of East Asia Campus Crusade for Christ is to become the major missionary sending base in the world.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Genesis 3:5-7

Pray for Jeong Insoo’s transition into his new role and responsibilities on the Global Leadership Team.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Exodus 28:2-4

Pray for the current East Asia leadership team as they seek the Lord and move on to new assignments.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Deuteronomy 4:5-7

Ask God to provide suitable office space as the East Asia Office re-locates to South Korea.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Deuteronomy 34:8-10

Pray for spiritual growth and fruit during an evangelistic Summer Friends Camp planned by Tokyo’s student leadership, today through Saturday.

I've Found a Friend

I've found a Friend, O such a friend! He loved me ere I knew Him;
 He drew me with the cords of love, and thus He bound me to Him;
 And round my heart still closely twine those ties which naught can sever,
 For I am His, and He is mine, forever and forever.

I've found a Friend, O such a friend! So kind and true and tender,
 So wise a Counselor and Guide, so mighty a Defender!
 From Him who loves me now so well what power my soul can sever?
 Shall life or death, shall earth or hell? No! I am His forever.

Music by Arthur Seymour Sullivan 1875. Words by James Grindlay Small, 1863.
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ON THE WAY HOME

Sitting on the bus
 I am waiting for no one
 to sit beside me

A modern haiku by young poet Chor Yiu-ching



Many Christians consider it interesting that two Chinese characters – in some of the most ancient versions – when combined, parallel the Bible's good news regarding a promised Savior to come:

Lamb + Me = Righteousness

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

1 Kings 3:7-15

May God's guidance and leading be with Dave Horsey as new chief of staff in the Office of the Vice President for East Asia.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

1 Kings 4:29-30

Pray for the Spirit to empower and prepare our new area directors as they re-structure their area leadership teams.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

1 Kings 10:23-25

Thank God for our newly appointed national directors in East Asia who recently assumed their positions.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Job 12:10-14

As the East Asia team engages in new staff recruitment, pray for our graduating students and graduates to take time to pray and seek God's direction for their futures.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Job 13:4-16

Pray for students and graduates to be tender-hearted and have a willingness to respond to God's leading to serve Him in a full-time capacity.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Job 26

Pray that each nation's Campus Ministry leadership team can maximize CM2007 momentum to send more people to unreached campuses around the world.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Job 28:10-28

Pray for believers to be raised up as salt and light in the government, businesses and educational institutions, especially in largely unreached locales.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Job 38:1-18

We are in need of more national prayer coordinators. May dedicated staff members respond soon to God's calling.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Job 38:19-41

Pray for smooth transitions and for all staff members serving amidst various leadership changes.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Job 39:1-18

Thank God for 1,130+ teenagers who participated in Korea's 2008 Hi-MCCC Summer Conference. About 250 indicated receiving Christ!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Job 39:19-30

Praise God for providing so many committed staff members to help reach the world during 50 years of Campus Crusade ministry in Korea.

Independence from God

I often state, "Prayerlessness is my declaration of independence from God." At heart, prayer is depending on God. Many of us in today's high-tech world of creature comforts and great abundance have a hard time stopping our frenetic activity to simply focus on God. Jesus reminded us, "Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me" (John 15:4).

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In spite of this essential and familiar truth, we still think we can do things on our own. When this core attitude is multiplied by dozens, hundreds, or even thousands of church members, it results in busy Christians but empty prayer meetings. Because it is so easy to "succeed" in church work these days we tend to forget that we are ultimately called to a supernatural task. Let me illustrate. If I asked you to take my car keys and move my Toyota 4-Runner from the back parking lot to the front parking lot of the building, you would probably be willing to oblige. On the other

hand, if I asked you to fly my 747 jumbo jet from Minneapolis to Miami, you would break out in a cold sweat. (By the way, I do not have a 747).

"Learning to lead in prayer is not so much an issue of becoming informed, but a matter of getting infected."

You see, moving the Toyota is a task you can easily accomplish. Flying a jumbo jet is probably far beyond your skills. Sadly, we've come to the conclusion that living the Christian life is more like moving the car than flying the 747. Nothing could actually

be farther from the truth. Jesus said that if we fail to abide in Him we can do nothing of eternal significance and lasting fruitfulness. Because we think we can live the Christian life, we conclude that we do not need to pray.

From *Fresh Encounters*, a NAVPRESS Pray! Book, by Daniel Henderson

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pressure-brewed/concentrated

A good place to get a small but flavorful taste of God's work, deserving fully alert prayer

Naked i How a Campaign is Helping Students in Singapore Find Love and Security in Christ

It is estimated that youth in Singapore lose their virginity at the age of 18.4 years old. The Naked i campaign aims to address the issue of love and sex through a multi-pronged approach that includes evangelistic events, short-films, a Web site and a magazine.

The campaign often sends out advance teams on the targeted campus, getting interesting answers to interesting questions like these:

- What do you think about sex before marriage?
- Do you think sex before marriage will have an impact on your future?
- Do you think it's possible to stay a virgin till you are married?
- Why would you want to be/not involved in sex before marriage?
- Does sex = love? What is sex? What is love?
- Do you think it's possible to have a relationship without sex?

The Naked i magazine, consisting of real love stories and short articles, is designed to help guide youth in their quest for true love. Currently, an estimated 50,000 have been distributed in various campuses in Singapore and have evoked interesting responses from both students and working adults.

"Initially, I was skeptical as it was given to me by someone from Campus Crusade. Being a non-Christian, I was prepared to read endless essays about the usual uplifting and God-inspired stuff," said one student. "But, you guys brought across a touchy and sensitive subject of pre-marital sex with

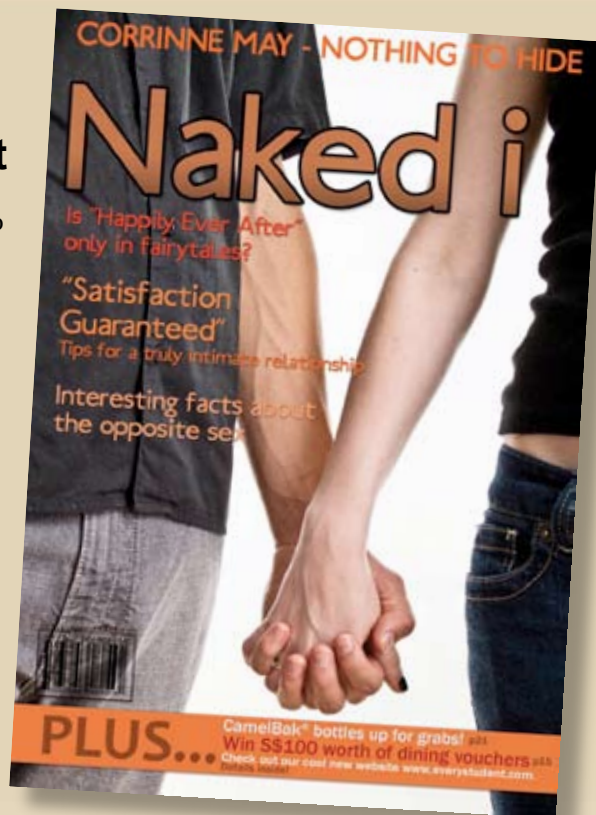
such frankness and tactfulness. To face the subject head-on has in fact made students like me more aware of the emotional, physical and long-term consequences and whether am I able to face up to it."

A third-year science student with the National University of Singapore shared, "Life in hostels is a mess and students view sex very casually. The feature on pre-marital sex, Are You Sexually Satisfied, has helped many of my friends. This message is like a seed sown into many hearts."

"Love, sex and relationships are the foremost issue on the heart of young people nowadays," says Amos Ang, staff member with Singapore Campus Crusade for Christ (SCCC) and director of the Naked i campaign.

"I chanced upon your Naked i magazine several days ago," said Yuen Meng, a Christian school counselor who trains primary school teachers about sexuality. "I am impressed with the efforts you and your team are putting in to impact our Christian youth on the sanctity of sex and marriage."

Beside the Naked i magazine, another platform used to provoke spiritual conversation among non-Christians was a series of five evangelistic short films produced by Wide Angle Productions (WAP), a multi-media ministry of Singapore Campus Crusade. These films fleshed out through engaging short stories, based on themes such as redemption, forgiveness and reconciliation. They are also



available on the site, campus.sccc.org.sg, for students to download and view with their friends.

The evangelistic Web site, www.everystudent.com, hosted by the Singapore Campus Ministry drew much anticipation and attention from students. "Since the start of the campaign, it has attracted more than 11,000 hits and 146 people indicated decisions to receive Christ online!" reports the director of the Naked i campaign. Excitement about this Web site could hardly be contained. "I am encouraging my youth to visit the everystudent.com site," says Rev Israel Selvam. "It is a bold campaign, but don't stop, keep going, never compromising in the unchanging Word of God." To keep up with the pace of those responding through its site, students are being actively recruited and trained to be e-mentors to help follow through and answer questions online.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 Job 40

Ask the Lord's blessing on the Korea movement's plans to raise financial support for Christian university students in poor countries.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 Job 41:1-17

Thank God for 1,000+ Korean students and staff members who participated in short-term missions to 13 countries this past summer.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 Job 41:18-34

Pray that godly student movement leaders will be raised up from Japan's campuses and sent out to the whole world.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 Job 42

Pray that the people of Hiroshima will take the lead in raising up and sending forth godly young disciples to help change Japan and beyond.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 Psalm 51:10-19

Pray for orientation camps and recruiting freshmen in National University, Nanyang Tech, Singapore Management University, & Singapore Institute of Management.



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Café Concept

Combine the print and film media with a series of mini-concerts, and you have a café concept created to help provide the Christian perspective to love and relationships. Featuring Soul-to-Soul, the latest band of the Music Ministry of SCCC engaged its audience through pop, R & B and jazz music. The concerts and other evangelistic talks that were held in campuses exposed 628 to the gospel with 11 people coming to know Christ.

This ongoing campaign presses on to help youth and young adults search for and find true love in Jesus Christ. We are hoping that many will find their security and significance in Him, where they know they have nothing to hide.

Pray for the Naked i campaign to gain even greater visibility-- and touch the hearts of an entire generation--in Singapore and throughout East Asia.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 Psalm 51:1-9

Pray for East Asian staff members struggling to raise support because of financial challenges and instabilities in their countries.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 Proverbs 10:1-14

Pray for overwhelming student response to Forerunner musical outreaches in Polytechnic Institutions in Singapore.

My Prayer Life

Notes ...

People I'm praying for ...

My prayer requests ...

Answers to prayer ...

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Luke 21:10-19

Ask God to send 30 highly qualified students for the coming academic year at East Asia School of Theology.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Acts 6:7-10

Thank God for harvests reaped by Taiwan's overseas/domestic missionary teams and outreach to children in August.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Romans 11:33-36

May Taiwan's August Institute of Biblical Studies and Leadership Framework Training result in the staff's strong motivation to know God.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

1 Corinthians 1:13-25

Praise God for a vital prayer movement among Mongolian students, experiencing prayer as an everlasting, intimate relationship with Him.

A Growing Habit

■ Were these East Asia prayer requests helpful to you? Each monthly issue of Movements Prayer Journal offers current prayer needs from another part of the Campus Crusade for Christ worldwide movement. Get an e-mail reminder when the next issue is ready. Sound good?

Just send your name and preferred e-address to: global.prayer@ccci.org, subject line: "Subscribe."

■ To view some of the latest prayer requests and praise items from Campus Crusade for Christ ministries around the world, visit:

<http://GlobalPrayerMovement.org>

■ Join the Campus Crusade staff and volunteers in around-the-clock prayer for top ministry needs, by signing up for your one-hour slot at:

<http://GlobalPrayerMovement.org>

Be certain to register, then click the "24x7 Calendar" button.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Pray the East Asia staff will, as one in Christ, embrace the need for leadership development, even as re-assignments are made.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 James 3:9-16

Pray East Asia's observance of Campus Crusade Worldwide Day of Prayer, October 7, will help launch prayer movements in each nation.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 James 3:17-18

Pray about nationwide revival meetings, October 10-12, in one country: for non-Christians to attend and begin following Christ.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 Revelation 5:9-14

Trust the Father to glorify His Son by doing "far more abundantly than we can ask or think" in East Asia over the next 12 months!

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