



News from NLM - David Olson

As my time in Mongolia comes to a close I am continually reminded of the power of the Word of God and the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. Romans 1:16 declares, “For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.” I am especially reminded of this through my good friend Aguan.

I met Aguan a year ago when I moved to western Mongolia. Another missionary here had met him and knew he was interested in youth sports. My first intention in contacting Aguan was, admittedly, to find out if he would like to help me create a hockey ministry. I had heard he was a Christian, but did not know much about his background. After meeting Aguan and asking him some questions, I found out that he knew of and believed in Jesus Christ but he did not have regular contact with other believers. I also understood that he had trouble with alcohol. Because of this, I was very uncertain about starting a project with Aguan and prayed that the Lord would open or shut doors as He saw fit.

After a few months spent building a relationship with Aguan, the Lord opened the door for us to start the hockey rink project. I had always thought that the Lord would use a project like this to help introduce people to Jesus Christ. But through the process of working with Aguan, it became clear that he was the object of the Lord’s work.

Through the course of the past year Aguan and I have become good friends. I cannot say that I speak Mongolian well, and Aguan cannot speak English. Despite this, we have been able to develop a close friendship. I have seen the Lord work in Aguan. He often says, “Би Есүс

Христэд итгэдэг,” which means, “I believe in Jesus Christ.” He gives Jesus the credit for being able to quit drinking and mentions often that his family—a wife and two sons—are so happy now that he does not drink and is a different person.

I gave Aguan his first Mongolian Bible and have encouraged him to read it daily as the Word of God has the power to transform lives such as his. For we know that believing in Christ as our Redeemer and having faith in Him as our Savior gives people new life. II Corinthians 5:17 says, “Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

As I leave Mongolia my thoughts often come back to Aguan. I pray continually that his faith in Jesus Christ will continually grow, that the Word of God will continue to transform his life, and that he will have the confidence to share his faith with others.

One of the most important things I have learned while living in Mongolia is that I cannot do anything without the power of Christ. I came to Mongolia with a lot of things that I wanted to accomplish. But God has shown me that it is Christ who accomplished everything for us by dying on the Cross for our sins. The greatest testimony to people here in Mongolia has very often been simply living out my faith, and this can be seen with my friend Aguan.

Thank you Hauge Foreign Mission for the prayers and support you have given me during the past four years while serving the Norwegian Lutheran Mission in Mongolia. I could feel your prayer support for me throughout my time in Mongolia.

-David Olson

HFM Family Retreat @ The ARC, Osceola WI







The summer youth team sent out by HFM went to minsiter alongside EKE for 2 weeks in July. The team consisted of 16 members from Iowa and Wisconsin. While we were there we took part in teaching at 2 childrens camps, 2 youth camps and 1 outdoor evangeslistic service. Pastors Korhonen and Unverzagt also preached in various EKE churches the 3 sundays the team was there. We thank God for the 8 people that recieved Jesus as their Lord and savior during those two weeks! Please pray tha they might continue to grow in their faith. Please enjoy some pictures from the Team and go to our webpage for more.





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Lord willing HFM will send another summer youth team to Hungary in the summer of 2018. Follow the BANNER for details.

NEWS from the Halversons

Halverson Happenings

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The Pieces Are Coming Together For Our Return To PNG

Still Need Additional Financial Partnership

With plans in the works to return to PNG in October, we have many logistics to organize. One of those is to have full ministry partnership. We are \$300/month short of having that logistical piece in place. If you would like to partner with us, please let us know using the contact info below.

Finding Rest and Stability

Serving at Moody Aviation over the past 6 months has really helped with stability and rest. Although returning to PNG right now is adding to instability and change, we are trusting that the short term loss will be rewarded by a greater long term stability in the future.



Completing Commitments

Jamie's six month commitment with Moody Aviation ends September 30th. All around it has been a positive 6 months.

Medical Clearance

Praise the Lord! Uziah is doing great! We had a doctor's appointment with a specialist in July, and we were told that you don't see lab numbers this good for years, if ever, with children who have the same diagnosis that Ziah had! One of his lab numbers is still just a bit above normal, and we will have that checked again at the end of September. If the doctor is satisfied, we have the "all clear" to take him with us to PNG! We are thankful for God's merciful answer to our prayers for his health. We

don't deserve such a blessing and God would be just as good if He would have chosen to not heal Ziah. But we are very thankful for His healing touch.

Training Completed

Jamie has just completed a 2-week training course at the JAARS center in Waxhaw, NC. This will be all of the training that he needs for us to return to PNG. We anticipate that he will need to return to the US at some point next year for 3 weeks of flight training prior to returning to flight status.



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2016 HFM Family Retreat Report

With over 135 full time campers this years retreat was once again a time of great fellowship and encouragement in God's Holy Word. Pastor Terry Olson reminded us of the missionary heart of God our Father, "*the heart of God which is simply: I want to save My people. I want to save sinners.*" Evangelist Dr Craig Jennings - spoke on the theme of **The One Foundation** and encouraged us from Galatians 5 that **Freedom** is at the center of the christian life. "*Freedom means to follow Jesus!*" Our representatives from EKE, Gergely Fejos and Andras Oravecz encouraged us with news of how God is at work amongst the Hungarian people. This years retreat included baptisms, softball, singspiration, testimones and making and renewing friendships. We hope you set aside time to join us in 2017 over the Labor Day Weekend. Look for news about the 2017 retreat in upcoming issues in the BANNER and in the meantime enjoy more pictures on our webpage.

Receipts

JULY 2016		AUGUST 2016		SEPT. 2016	
G. Fund	25.00	G.Fund	360.50	General Fund	1,4800.00
Hungary	25.00	NLM	50.00	Summer Team	10.00
NLM - Ethiopia	25.00	Summer Team	3838.86	NLM G.F.	20.00
Retreat Scholarship	20.00	Retreat Scholarship	35.00	Hungary	1,470.00
Summer Team	4,660.00	Hungary	100.00	Retreat Scholarship	1.273.00
July Total	4,735.00	August Total	4,384.36	Sept. Total	4,253.00

Totals for Fiscal year 2016 (Ending September 30, 2016)

Mission Gifts	Apr., May, June	Total Fiscal Year 2016
General Fund	1,865.50	4,957.00
Retreat Scholarships	1,380.00	1,448.00
EKE- Hungary	1,595.00	1,975.00
NLM	95.00	3,250.00
Summer Team	8,508.86	12,518.86
	13,372.36	24,148.86



New HFM board member Sven Hovey shares his testimony while current board members listen in.

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