

# EAST ASIA *Articles*



## DECEMBER UPDATE

Sitting in the lobby of a building at an East Asian University one night before English Corner, I challenged Jireh with the “KSV challenge”. Jireh is one of the faithful students who attend English Corner, she has taken ownership of the club and has led parts of it herself! She seemed very dedicated, so I asked her to meet up to talk about her faith. In the “KSV challenge” I asked her what her vision for her campus is. Then we opened the Word and looked at Jesus’ command in the Great Commission to “go and make disciples”. Then at 2 Timothy 2:2 which emphasizes the importance of entrusting the good news to faithful people. I challenged her to share the gospel with 5 people she knows who do not know the Lord (roommates, classmates, family). Then I challenged her to do this same challenge with 5 faithful Christians she knows. Jireh accepted this challenge! I met up with her after Christmas to ask her how it went, and she fulfilled the challenge. Then I went through the Holy Spirit booklet with her (a tool we use in Cru to help understand the Spirit-filled life), and God used this greatly to shape her understanding of what it looks like to walk in the Holy Spirit day to day. Praise Him!

The highlight of English Corner, and what we have been working towards this whole semester was the Christmas Party, where we presented the gospel! 25 students attended the gathering



**Me, Anna, Daniel, and Kevin after the English Corner Christmas party!**



**Me and my friend Codye from Arizona meeting up with the girls from English Corner, Helen, Phoebe, and Taylor!**



**Students at the evangelism training.**

## PRAISE

- Sharing the gospel and connecting with students at English Corner was a great success!
- Faithful students attended the evangelism training.
- Anna and Kevin have been doing well, and have been able to serve in great ways.

## PRAYER *Requests*

- That the Lord would continue to work in the hearts of the students who heard the gospel at English Corner and from the Vision Trip.
- For our students as they are on winter break. That they will continue to follow God closely. And for courage to share the gospel with friends and family back home.

to play holiday games, exchange gifts, and then learn about the true meaning of Christmas. Daniel presented the gospel and then Anna and Kevin (two of our Interns) and myself shared our testimonies. We shared the great impact that the good news has had on our lives. After, we got in groups to discuss what each student thought about the gospel. Then we sang Christmas songs and took pictures together. This night was so joyous to come together with believers and non-believers and celebrate the birth of our Savior in a very different way than I have done before. I believe the Holy Spirit was moving, stirring the hearts of many during this night.

During the discussion at the English Corner Christmas Party, I led a group of 3 freshmen girls, Phoebe, Helen, and Taylor. When I asked them what they thought about what was shared, Phoebe (a non-Christian) said that my story resonated with her. Taylor, also a non-Christian told the story of how her mom was miraculously healed from a disease, and then her mom became a follower of Jesus. And Helen, the one believer in this group of girls was proud to share that she believes in Jesus. I can see God working in each of these girls' stories in different ways. I was able to meet up with these three girls again on their campus and get to know them. We talked about if and how they celebrate Christmas. We even went with them to their next class! I met up one-on-one with Helen a week later to do the KSV Challenge with her. She accepted and will share the gospel with her friends, family, and neighbors over winter break!

Another important event in December was a training weekend for students interested in learning about evangelism. Two of our regional leaders came from a nearby city and led the training with some of our team members. The students were trained for two days, then went on to a campus to practice evangelism! It was encouraging to see the students eager to learn how to impact their campus.

A very special event this month was a "Vision Trip" that came from Arizona! Three interns and three students came from the University of Arizona to get a glimpse of what life and ministry is like in East Asia. They went on campus and met students, and in one week, had 32 spiritual conversations, and shared the gospel with three students.

This year we celebrated Christmas from across the world. Even though it was very different from how I would normally celebrate, the day brought so much joy and laughter.

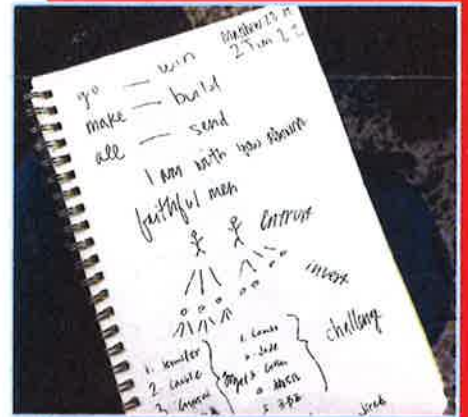
I thank you all for your support, if not for you, I would not have the opportunity to do what I am doing.

In Him,  
Marisa Leger

*"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6*



**Friends from Arizona exploring the city with us!**



**Jireh's KSV Challenge**



**My team on Christmas! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Zach, Nathanael, Daniel, Serena, Holly, myself, and Mackenzie!**