

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:  
"Now have come the salvation and the power and  
the kingdom of our God,  
and the authority of his Christ.  
For the accuser of our brothers,  
who accuses them before our God  
day and night,  
has been hurled down.

**They overcame him  
by the blood of the Lamb  
and by the word of their testimony;  
they did not love their lives so much  
as to shrink from death.**

Revelation 12:10-11

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## Overcoming ...at the China border!

Recently I was reading one of the old newsletters from back in the early days of hauling Bibles into China. In the letter I had remarked at how amazing it was that one of the couriers had been able to take 26 Bibles across in just one trip! Had I known back then what would be accomplished by just one Bible Courier on this latest trip in July, I doubt that I would have ever believed it!

During the trip this summer several of the Bible Couriers got a bit competitive trying to see who could physically haul the largest amount of Bibles across the border in one trip ...without getting them confiscated!

I was amazed at the end result! I can remember back in the late 80's when the only way to get any Bibles into China was to carefully 'wear' them under our clothing. In those days we were thrilled to get a dozen Bibles across during a day long trip.

But this summer, as the competition wore on, one of the young Americans carried an unbelievable 484 lbs. across the border! That was soon topped by 490 lbs.! We thought that record would stand forever, but that was not to be. Just a few days later a young fellow from Ireland successfully carried, by himself, 499.8 lbs. - to be exact!

I couldn't believe my eyes! Pulling just one of those huge 'beast bags' (nearly 200 lbs.) is more than I can manage, let alone pulling two of them, plus a very heavy backpack, plus a heavy shoulder bag. The crazy thing is, he weighed the same as I do - though he was considerably younger and in much, much better shape!

In all, during this summer trip with our team of 12, along with other short and long term workers from other parts of the world, about 11 tons of Bibles were hauled,

dragged, and wheeled into China in just a two week period! That represents over 28,000 Bibles!

The June 2010 Bible Courier Team  
An evening of sightseeing at Hong Kong Harbor



How can we have such success when China still does its best to prevent Bibles crossing the border?

There is one easy answer and one hard answer!

**The easy answer:** God wants his people in China to have His Word and blesses efforts toward that end.

**The hard answer:** Christians in the free world are still willing to pay the cost, go, and work hard so that others can have the chance to enter God's Kingdom and get to know their Heavenly Father!

...everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.

1 John 5:4

Had we given up on the Bible Courier work when it was so difficult years ago, when the cost and risk seemed ridiculous and when others said it was an unnecessary and futile endeavor, 100's of thousands, and perhaps

millions of Chinese, would never have heard the truth of overcoming power of 'the blood of the Lamb'. They would not have their own testimony of New Life and victory over the power of sin and hopeless circumstances that prevails in so many peoples lives.

God has called those of us who claim to believe in His promises to be 'overcomers'. That means that we are not to be overcome by the carefully crafted lies that the 'accuser' whispers into our minds. Rather we have got to understand with our heart what is the truth of what God says and promises to us and then believe and act on it. The testimony of God's overcoming power, both in the written Word, by our own testimony, and by the testimonies of others, is the proof enough that what the 'accuser' says is not worth considering - not for one moment.

When the 'accuser' says, "...you're a nobody, ...you can't, ...you're not worthy, ...just consider your circumstances", God's promise is "My grace is sufficient for you, my power is made perfect in weakness."

When I chose to believe and act on what God has promised, then I have taken steps towards 'overcoming'. But when I accept the lie that I am nobody, that circumstances are in control of everything, then I have already been overcome; overcome by fear, unbelief, rebellion and disobedience to His Lordship, and so on. The end result is - no demonstration of the power of the blood of Jesus, and no testimony to share with others to prove first handed that Jesus is alive in my life, or that He is God, and that he wants others to overcome the 'accuser' as well.

Now here is the important question. Am I overcoming or am I being overcome? Is the power of the blood of the Lamb working in a way in my life that I have a real testimony to give to others as well as to 'the accuser' that enables me to live an overcoming lifestyle?

## Overcoming Story #1 ...testimony!

It happened this past spring in a remote village in the Mekong Delta region of South Vietnam.

As two men were visiting with each other early one morning, the one said to the other, "I had a very strange dream last night. I dreamed that a man wearing a white shirt came to our village with a very important message."

"That's funny", said the other man. "I had a dream last night exactly like yours!"

The men went to meet several other friends to tell them of their unusual, identical dreams. Before long it was discovered that everyone in the village had experienced the same dream that previous night!

Meanwhile, up in Saigon one of the 'house church' leaders had a dream as well. He dreamed that there was a village down south in the Mekong Delta region where the

people were ready and anticipating that someone would come and tell them a message.

The dream, he knew, had been sent to him by God, directing him to go find this village and tell them about Jesus. So by faith the Brother set off on his journey. By faith, he found the village - exactly as it had been in his dream.

You can guess the rest of the story, I'm sure. Yes, the entire village came to faith in Jesus Christ!

## Overcoming Story #2 ...testimony!

There was a woman in a mountainous area of Vietnam belonging to one of the minority tribes. She had been suffering from mental illness for many years.

Her family had done everything they could to help the woman but hospitals and witch doctors had proven useless. Then word came around about a man who had 'the power of God'.

The man (a pastor) was sent for and after praying and receiving a 'green light' from God, went with a small team to find the woman.

After praying for an entire day, the woman's condition only got worse. But rather than giving up, the team separated for a while to pray and seek God individually as to why the lady was not being 'delivered' from the hoard demons that controlled her.

Some time later as he was praying, the pastor had a vision. In the vision he saw a human body buried in the dirt floor of the house where the lady lived. The team confronted the family about it, but they denied any knowledge of a buried body. Even the ministry team thought that the pastor had 'gone off the deep end'.

The pastor insisted that a body was in the house and finally convinced the family to dig at the spot he had seen in the vision.

Sure enough, to everyone's surprise, at the exact place where the pastor had instructed them to dig, they found a human skeleton! Not knowing who's skeleton it was, the family burned it. Then, amazingly, as soon as the skeleton was finally burned to ashes, the woman's sanity was instantly and completely restored! But that's not all! Many people came into the Kingdom of God!

Well now, I'm sure that you are wondering as much as the next person about what the connection was with hearing and obeying God, those bones, and the woman being set free and restored to her right mind. I've got my own ideas but I would be love to hear yours as well.

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.  
John 4:4

# Overcoming STORY #3 ...testimony!

Picture in your mind's eye a young Vietnamese lady in her late teens living in a remote village in Vietnam. Unlike most other kids her age, she worships Satan, practices witchcraft, and speaks to the dead. Eventually she became very powerful as she yields herself more and more to Satan. Over just a short time though, having given her mind completely over to the devil, she ends up a raving lunatic.

Her parents take her to hospitals and witch doctors, searching for a cure, but eventually, they are left with their daughter and no hope.

Out of desperation her family builds a cement block gated room addition to their home and they locked their uncontrollable daughter in it. The room has a concrete floor and no furniture. She has no clothes. Food and water are pushed under the gate and, once a day, a garden hose is used to spray down the room and the woman.



Twelve long years pass by and she is still completely insane, locked in the room with no furniture, sleeping on the concrete floor. The situation remains totally hopeless until one day the parents hear about a man who lives in their district, through whom a God named Jesus Christ had reportedly healed many people. In desperation they search out the man and beg him to help their daughter.

Full of faith and expectation, the Pastor along with several other believers committed to the mission. After several days of persistent prayer the insane daughter was completely set free from the control of many demons and her mind was fully restored!

This miraculous deliverance occurred just two months before my arrival in Vietnam in late July. I wish you could have seen the expression on the face of this young lady the day I met her in one of our meetings! Her joy was overflowing! A constant smile was on her face as she basked in the Presence of Jesus, her Deliverer.



"Jesus Christ is the same  
yesterday and today  
and forever."

Hebrews 13:8

**Prayer Request: I recently received the following email from one of the pastors in Vietnam...**

September 12, 2010

Hi Brothers and Sisters,

This morning while we are worshipping the Lord, the uninvited guests came and stopped us from practicing our faith in the Lord. They did the paper work and made me acknowledge that what I am doing is wrong, but I refuse to do that.

They told us not to worship our Lord together until we receive permission from them, but who knows when they will give permission. They told me that they've asked me many times to stop practicing my religion together but I haven't obeyed them. So they will have some thing to do with me soon.

We don't know what they have been planning, so please pray for the Lord's protection on us. Pray for God's wisdom, boldness and grace on us before the authorities, pray for our brothers and sisters stay faithfully in the Lord during the persecution...

May God bless you all!

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In spite of ongoing persecution, Pastors in Vietnam are seeing many, many miracles!

One pastor reported that in recent months they have seen over 60 people healed of hopeless sicknesses. Eight sorcerers were saved. Many people have been set free of addictions to nicotine and alcohol.

He told how one man who drank 2 liters of alcohol a day was instantly set free and over 150 became people because of his testimony!

## China Bible Courier Mission 2011



**Dates pending**

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Underground churches across China are in immediate need of over 600,000 Bibles and that's just the 'tip of the iceberg'! The Bibles are ready and waiting to go across the border.

You can help!

# You Responded to their cry for help!



9-1-2010 ... at the Village of Lepers, Vietnam

Dear Mr. pastor Wendell Martin and helpers,

Our church wants to thank Jesus for the blessing through Pastor N. and all the helpers that helped send \$5,000 USD to all the sick and elderly people here. We only know how to pray and ask Jesus to bless the health of all the people that lend a hand.

Our church had agree on how to use the money that would help all the people in the community, and the best solution are buying rice and present for eighty five students, and Christians that are facing extreme difficulty. Our church also used part of the money to start a program in worshipping Jesus Christ for fifty three people over three days.

All the money that was sent to us we use for the purpose of Jesus. Our community is isolated from the city, about three hundred kilometer North. To get here we have to travel by boat or walk (walking time is about 1 hour).

Everyone that lives here are people that have no limbs and are rejects from the city but are people that Jesus is taking in and cares for. Because of their condition they have no strength left to work, so the life they live is a really hard life. They live by a group of people that helps them and a little bit from the government. Even though their life is so hard, they still go to church to worship Jesus every week. Everyone of us is thankful and prays for the health for everyone that helped.

Sincerely: L.

These things I have spoken unto you,  
that in me ye might have peace. In the  
world ye shall have tribulation: but be  
of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

John 16:33

**Thank you so much** for encouraging this brother as he ministers in extremely difficult circumstances to a totally isolated Christian community of rejected people suffering with leprosy. There are also many children living there.



Clint and Ellie Snyder

Well... it finally happened! Our daughter Ellie has been captured (quite willingly) by a young man from Hawaii. Clint and Ellie met in Hong Kong while carrying Bibles into China. They were married here in Ohio on August 29 and are currently heading westward with intentions of not stopping until they reach Asia in answer to the call on their hearts for missions there.

**Please pray** for them as they search out and press forward by faith towards God's plan for their lives.

The trip to Asia this summer took me to Vietnam for an extended visit to meet and encourage some of the key Christian leaders that we are connected with there. Clint Snyder also joined up with me there, having just finished up a mission trip to Cambodia. It was great to travel along side my future son-in-law for those 10 days of ministry that took us from the far south all the way up to Hanoi.

Another young man, Jeremiah Ramsey, also traveled with us, as together we experience God's presence and power while meeting many of the Christian leaders you are enabling by helping to support them financially.

Here are just a few items that the pastors reported...

...“Our plan was to pioneer 3 new churches for a projected 200 new believers for 2009. But we missed our goal. Instead we ended up with over 350 new believers and saw 6 new churches established.”

...another leader reported that there are over 3000 new believers each year in the Mekong Delta area and they have a great need for more workers.

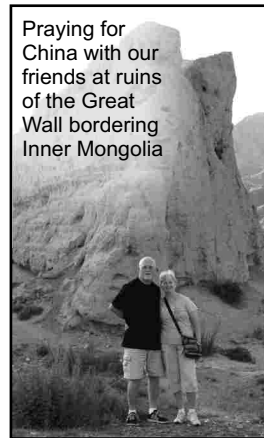
...another told how they have recently baptized over 500 new believers.

...another reports an average of 200 getting saved every month.

...and yet another told how they have completed training of over 100 new workers in the past 6 months.

...meanwhile, a group of 8000 believers who had been meeting in 47 churches has been persecuted so severely that they can now only meet in groups of only 4-5 at a time.

Praying for China with our friends at ruins of the Great Wall bordering Inner Mongolia



Finally, in wrapping up the summer trip, Daisy and I traveled up to northern China for a few days to visit and encourage our friends who are working in a minority community in that area.

Thank you so much for being involved. You are impacting so many lives for eternity! While we actually see only see a tiny glimpse of what God is doing in China and Vietnam, we know by

the overcoming testimonies, that indeed, the Kingdom of God is rapidly advancing!

Serving with Joy, Wendell & Daisy Martin