

#### Jim & Jacqui January 2024 Update

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## Prayers & Praises

- We continue to praise the Lord for our generous partners throughout this past year! This enables us to minister globally.
- Praise for Jim's brief teaching trips to Myanmar and India in December, despite illness.
- Praise for wonderful family time in November and December as the Harmelings' sons visited for Thanksgiving (Eric) and Christmas (John Mark).
- Pray for Jim's 2024 travel schedule to Cambodia (January), Bangladesh (February), and Myanmar (March) to train church leaders.
- Pray for God to lead us to the right man to be pastor of Crossroads International Church here in Singapore.

# IMPORTANT NEWS! Same Vision - New Base

As our mission to effectively train pastors and church leaders grows, more opportunities for training arise. This includes new possibilities outside Southeast Asia. As a result, Jim's travel schedule has intensified and rendered him less available to pastor a local church in Singapore. Therefore, by the Lord's leading, Jim will step down as Pastor of Crossroads International Church by August 1, 2024, to devote himself more fully to the main work of training church leaders. Since the local Singapore church position has been the means through which we are allowed to live in Singapore, Jim must surrender his work visa when stepping down as pastor. On August 1, we will say goodbye to Singapore after more than six years.

In considering a new base of operation, it made the most sense to relocate back to the U.S. We recently purchased a home in Raleigh, North Carolina, and will move in during the month of October. From there, Jim can travel more extensively to different training sites in Southeast Asia, Africa, and Europe. The mission continues - the base of operation will change. Please pray for this transition time!





Bret & Sallie Johnson visited from Las Vegas in October. Jim & Bret attended seminary together many years ago. Bret has pastored churches for years and now leads a mission training ministry to equip the local church.

#### Good Read!

These two volumes have challenged us in faith and devotion to the Lord. Mark Jones', Knowing Sin, delves deeply into the heart of the believer and challenges us to purge existing sinful ways. Mrs. Howard Taylor's By Faith: Henry Frost and the China Inland Mission, is a wonderful historical tour of faith of the North American branch of the China Inland Mission. Henry Frost was a New York minister following God's lead to

oversee numerous
missionaries hailing from the
U.S. and Canada in the late
19th century.





#### Good ReRead!





The best books are worth rereading. Jacqui and I returned to these valued lessons in holiness (Jerry Bridges', The Pursuit of Holiness) and mission biographies (Ruth Tucker's, From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya).

Our departure from Singapore is saddened by the thought of leaving a church body we have come to love for the past five years. A pastor search committee has been formed and a position description developed. The congregation has grown to the point where it requires more attention in leadership than a part-time pastor can handle. Please pray for God's man to replace Jim this year as the new lead shepherd at CIC.





#### **Family**

Jim & Jacqui enjoyed spending time with their son Eric at Thanksgiving. John Mark, and his girlfriend, Kendall Jones, and her parents, Steve and Stephanie Jones, visited from Seattle for Christmas.









#### Celebration in India

Jim & Jacqui traveled to Hyderabad and Jagdalpur, India, in December to take part in the dedication of Joanna Daniel, daughter of Joshua & Ashley Daniel, granddaughter of Doug & Deanne Malousis.



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#### Hi Missions Team,

Here is the latest newsletter from Jim and Jacqui Harmeling of Shepherds International.

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