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God can't give us peace and happiness apart from Himself because there is no such thing. -C.S. Lewis

If our peace is dependent on outside circumstances being favorable or the aligning of the stars or any other external set of events, we are looking to the wrong source to find peace.

Peace is not a state of mind - peace is a person! When Jesus said, "My peace I give to you, my peace I leave with you," in John 14:27, He was literally reminding us of His presence in our lives in the midst of chaos.

Jesus said, "In this world you will have trouble but have no fear, for I have overcome the world." John 16:33

> It is with a heart of thankfulness that I wish you God's richest blessings and supernatural **PEACE this Christmas season!**

> > Gabriella van Breda **Executive Director**

CHINA EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM UPDATE

A Message From One of Our Students

There is no better season during a year than now to reflect on God's amazing grace in my life. One of such grace is the opportunity to study at an American accredited post-graduate theology program in China with the help of World Impact Network.

I joined the program not knowing so many blessings would be unfolded to me and my ministry. I have the opportunity to learn from professors who are not only leading scholars in their field of expertise, they are also faithful and godly ministers in the Kingdom of God. All of their lives carry the presence of the Lord and the fruits of the Spirit. As their student, what I receive is far beyond knowledge or even wisdom, but the impartation of their lives. I found that in order to be a well-balanced leader, one needs to be rooted in the word of God, bearing the fruit of the Holy Spirit and ministering with the presence of the Lord.

The interactions with the fellow-students being pastors or ministers from China and South East Asia also bring mutual edifications a n d encouragement to my own spiritual life. Their



commitment to the Lord in time of suffering and hardship strengthens my faith and challenges me to persevere, so that it will produce the required character in me to bear fruits that will last.

One thing I learned is that it is about "passing it on". What I receive through this program is to immediately pass it on to the people in our bible fellowship whom I disciple. It is my vision to see many become better leaders than myself for the Kingdom of God.

Now being the one who is entrusted with the stewardship of a compassion mission ministry based in Canada, with services in parts of China, Africa and North America, I realized the importance of maintaining a pure, seeking, humble and servant heart, together with compassion of the Lord in order to steward and finish well.

As I am graduating from the program this coming summer, I do not see it as an end or a new beginning, but a continuation of passing such precious inheritance I received on to others.

Last but not least, the dedication of Peter and Gaby Van Breda of WIN to the students of the program has deeply touched me. They have stood firm on their call from God. Not to mention many of you whom I do not know in person, yet you have supported me through WIN to become a better vessel for the Lord. Thank you from the bottom of my heart to you all!

Masters of Divinity Student Lisa Yuk Shu Wan (pictured far left & right)

"Educating Leaders Not Only Changes Lives- It Changes the World."

"I don't know what **YOU** destiny will be, but one thing I do know: The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve." – Albert Schweitzer

The Gift of Giving through Service

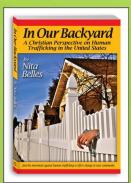
The holidays often inspire us to give back, whether through making a financial donation or through serving. This Christmas please remember that we sometimes need your professional advice, talent and expertise as well.

You may be surprised to know that there are many non-profits who could really use professional, legal, accounting and technical services— something they end up paying a premium for when the money could be used for much needed community and outreach programs.

This year don't just share your financial resources but share your gifts, talents and abilities as well to ensure the charity you support is successful in every way.



Part of the answer in addressing issues of Human Trafficking in our society is to strengthen our laws and initiate new ones that can protect innocent young victims and ensure that perpetrators of this evil receive the maximum penalty for their crimes. As Human Trafficking is a global issue, international laws should ensure that those involved in this inhumane abusive behavior have no way of escaping the consequences. Every year World Impact Network grants \$10,000 to the fight against Human Trafficking. WIN board member Nita Belles is on the front lines making a difference by her involvement with advocacy, education and training. Please support this work by contributing financially, or through your workplace giving campaign or by making a donation of stock this December. All contributions are tax deductible.



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