

Becky's Update

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I Gave Up

This monsoon madness has been long and drawn out this year. After 4 days of solid fog and quite a lot of rain, I decided I'd give up on a beautiful scenery picture for this letter. Instead you get it as it really is! Everyone is getting tired of the gloom, clouds of wet floating in the windows, mildewing laundry, moldy everything, and all the nice allergy and respiratory symptoms that accompany this. There have been landslides on the main road, and it has been totally closed down a couple times now. I will say I am thankful for cooler weather than normal thanks to the lack of sun, a lot less mosquitoes this year, and that it still hasn't been anywhere near the flooding that many other countries in the

area have been experiencing. I'm definitely hoping the season will end a bit early this year, especially before I have to travel again!



A while ago we went over to the area where I previously lived. So much has changed. They now have a cable suspension bridge (which right lower side) What is less easy to see is the very steep treacherous path down on the other side and then back up on this side. A few of us chose the longer way around by the old hospital (houses left upper). It was much easier and just as quick for me, though it's usually impossible to convince people here that the shortest route- no matter what is where to go.



The other new thing is the new building for the Body in this picture. Big change from the old (to the left), and much appreciated. We had a nice day-long women's meeting with the women from the group there. Fun, food, fellowship and teaching. It has been encouraging to see the growth of this group in the last years. You can probably tell this was before the monsoons really kicked in.

"But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you....." 2 Peter 2:1

Recently a cult group moved into our neighborhood. We quickly became aware of them as they went house to house pushing their own teachings. As often seems to happen here, early on they especially were targeting weaker members of the Body or those on the fringe or having had some interest and exposure to the truth. Some of the ladies were sharing their experiences and what they had been told. I was quite proud of several of the illiterate women who boldly stood up to these people or sent them quickly packing. The city areas have always had a lot of this, but less so in the more remote areas. It is sad to think that people are falling under the spell of these kinds of things. It can also be hard because some tend to lump everyone together as the same as us which leads to confusion in what we stand for.

I'm excited to have almost completed the translation of a workbook which I feel could help in the spiritual growth of individuals here. Now, starting Aug 25, I will be working through this with the leaders of the

Body here. The plan is to meet once/week for me to explain and guide them, then they will work through the practical process with a partner during the week. This is quite a different approach from what they are use to and some subject matter that many may have not really considered before. Hopes are that they then might be able to use the materials in one-one discipleship in the future. Please be interceding, as we very much need His working, conviction, and strengthening in our hearts to bring lasting fruit from this.

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