



NEWS OF SOUTHERN OFFICERS AND LAY PERSONNEL SERVING AROUND THE WORLD

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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATED FAR FROM "HOME"

JAPAN: Colonels Steve & Wendy Morris enjoyed their 3rd Christmas season. One highlight was when the Japan Staff Band was invited to play at the US Yokota Air Base. Then there was the unexpected earthquake that struck on January 1st on the western side, opposite side of Japan from where they live, killing 213 and leaving 26,000 persons without homes. The Army has people where it hit hardest but the only access to the site is by boat or helicopter. All roads in and out have been damaged beyond repair and are being rebuilt.



SINGAPORE: Majors David & Susie Erickson celebrated their 1st Christmas by following the custom of decorating the tree on Nov. 11. Singapore has a harmonious blend of cultures, including Chinese, Malay, Indian and other ethnic communities; each bringing unique traditions and practices, creating a truly multicultural experience. In The Salvation Army, as in the Christian community, Christmas is celebrating the birth of Jesus. Evangelism is the heartbeat of every Salvationist and Christmas is viewed as a great rescue mission. Caroling, Kettling, Christmas Musicals and Parties are all about introducing Jesus to the World.



KOREA: Captains Minkee & Grace Kim: This was their 1st Christmas in Korea as officers and brought back wonderful memories from 30+ years ago before leaving there. Kettles (inside of a city bus station with the biggest market of the city on the upper levels) only operated 4 hrs. a day for 2 weeks but went very well. One special moment was when a group of toddlers and their teachers visited the kettle bringing their donations in small penguin banks. A special Christmas service was celebrated on December 24th with a competition of memorizing Bible verses, a short play by teenagers, and a handbell group with string ensemble providing music for sing-along Christmas carols. A Corps member brought a beautifully decorated Birthday Cake so they could sing Happy Birthday to Jesus!



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MISSIONARY TRIVIA

Do you remember a couple who served in Brazil and were known as Santa and Mrs. Claus?

PRAYER CONCERNS: After you pray, why not drop the persons prayed for a line or send an email of encouragement and blessing.



COLONELS STEVE & WENDY MORRIS - JAPAN as Territorial Commander and Territorial President of Women's Ministries. Pray for those affected by the recent earthquake and the Army's opportunity to help those in need. Pray also for their progress in learning the language, the finances of the Territory, and for the need for ministry personnel. Also pray for their son Andrew who is in his senior year at UGA and for the ministry of Angela & Chris, their daughter and son-in-law, in their corps. Colonel Wendy has regular postings on Facebook sharing their "adventures". She explains not only a lot of what is happening in The Army, but gives insight to many of the traditions and customs of the people. Beautiful photos are always included.

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CAPTAINS MINKEE & GRACE KIM - SOUTH KOREA: as Corps Officers of the Namchungju Corps. They have with them daughters Yoanna, 14, and college age Joel on a student's visa for one year. Progress is being made on the repairs because of the damage to the walls and floor of the Corps and quarters caused by flooding. Pray that this can be completed soon. Christmas was a wonderful time and they found the people generous and supportive. Pray that they can continue to find ways to reach out to the community.

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MAJORS DAVID & SUSIE ERICKSON - SINGAPORE: as Territorial Secretary for Business Administration (David) and Territorial Secretary for Program (Susie). Pray for David's mom who will celebrate her 90th birthday in February. It is hard not to be with family on special occasions and holidays. May they have comfort and peace during these times. Pray for the new Chief Secretary and TSWM who were welcomed on January 1st. Singapore is a 1st world country but Malaysia, Myanmar, & Thailand have 3rd world challenges; remember especially the officers in Myanmar. They are doing well and credit that to your prayers. They can be visited on Facebook and make regular posts of happenings there.

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We would like to recommend also that you pray, from time to time, for those who are serving out of the Territory, not on "foreign" service, but sometimes they may feel like it!

Major Maureen Diffley, along with husband Robert Duskin (USA Central)

Lt. Colonels Jonathan & Barbara Rich (USA Central)

Lt. Colonels Stephen & Susan Ellis (NHQ)

Captain Valentina Wearmouth (UK)

along with husband, Captain Richard and 2-year-old son, Lucas.

Please share with others these needs as your prayers do make the difference.

SPECIAL DATES COMING UP
(Birthdays unless otherwise noted)

JANUARY

- 10 Captain Valentina Wearmouth
UK
- 13 Colonels Steve & Wendy Morris
Anniversary
JAPAN
- 27 Captain Minkee Kim
KOREA

FEBRUARY

- 15 Captain Grace Kim
KOREA

MARCH

- 6 Lt. Colonel Barbara Rich
USA CENTRAL
- 19 Cpts. Richard & Val Wearmouth
Anniversary
UK
- 21 Captains Minkee & Grace Kim
Anniversary
KOREA

APRIL

- 27 Major Susan Ellis
NHQ

*"One does not settle down
on the mission field."*

Bertha Smith

Book

"Miss Bertha: Woman Of Revival" by Lewis Drummond, (Broadman & Holman, 1996): Biography of Bertha Smith, whose story spans a century (1888-1988) and the globe (from Cowpens, SC, to missionary service in China and Taiwan) highlights her vital role in a great spiritual awakening in China and in the USA promoting a "deeper life" experience especially through repentance and prayer.

ANSWER TO

TRIVIA QUESTION

Majors Jim & Evelyn Deuel

