# The Hill Family

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# CHURCH PLANTING MISSIONARIES TO CHINA + Dear Pastors and Praying Friends, September 2024 Prayer Letter

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The Lord has kept us quite busy this last month, and we wouldn't have it any other way! It's such a joy to be busy serving the Lord! A couple of weeks ago I made a special trip to the city of Changzhou to meet with my friend and new brother in Christ, Mr. Chen. The Lord saved him back in June and a little over a month ago he expressed a desire to be baptized. Some readers may recall that in last month's prayer letter I mentioned that he had yet to name a time for me to meet with him and discuss the Bible's teaching on baptism. I recently arranged a time to visit him in his city, and it was evident to me during our meeting that he has a biblical understanding of baptism. At his request, we are arranging a date for him to be baptized at Hope Baptist Church in Suzhou, and he even expressed a desire to move to Suzhou to begin studying the Bible more intensively with me. Please continue to pray for Mr. Chen, his upcoming baptism, and growth in the Lord.

About a week after meeting with Mr. Chen, Amos and his wife Maria approached me before the morning service at Hope to request that Maria be baptized biblically. She has known the Lord for some time now (longer than our family has been in Suzhou), yet has not been baptized. Please pray for them as well. Lord willing, we will be having a special baptism service at Hope in the coming weeks for both Mr. Chen and Maria.

I was recently privileged to travel to two cities in west China, Chengdu and Kunming, for the purpose of surveying these places with an American teammate, Trent, who is planning to begin church-planting ministry in mainland China in the future. As we explored these cities (as well as our own city of Suzhou), we we able to get the pulse of the religious climate in each, share the gospel with many, and explore visa options for foreigners in these places. Recurring themes as we shared Christ with people in these places was that many here in China trust in money, self, science, and government to solve their problems, often never thinking about life beyond the grave. Some had not ever heard the name "Jesus", and those who had heard His name had no knowledge of the word "gospel" or the gospel message. The Lord impressed me with a sense of urgency to disseminate the gospel throughout China before the Lord's return. Overall, it was a very productive survey, and served as a reminder to me that even within China there are many "regions beyond" filled with countless multitudes with little to no contact with the gospel. Please pray for Trent and his family as they are making plans to relocate here in mainland China! Please continue to pray the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth more laborers into His harvest here in China!



shared Christ with Mr. Wang in the city of **Kunming** 



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### Praises & Prayer Requests

- Praise Mr. Chen and Maria desire to be baptized.
- · Praise survey of the cities of Chengdu, Kunming, and Suzhou went well.
- Pray for English outreaches and other opportunities to minister the gospel to college students.
- Pray that the Lord would bless Hope Baptist Church.
- Pray for Miss Wu's (Abby's) and Ryan's salvation.
- Pray for opportunities to study the Bible with Cody.
- Pray for the 2025 Goforth China Tour.
- · Pray that the Lord would raise up and send forth more laborers into His harvest field.

Reaching China for Christ, Austin Till

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