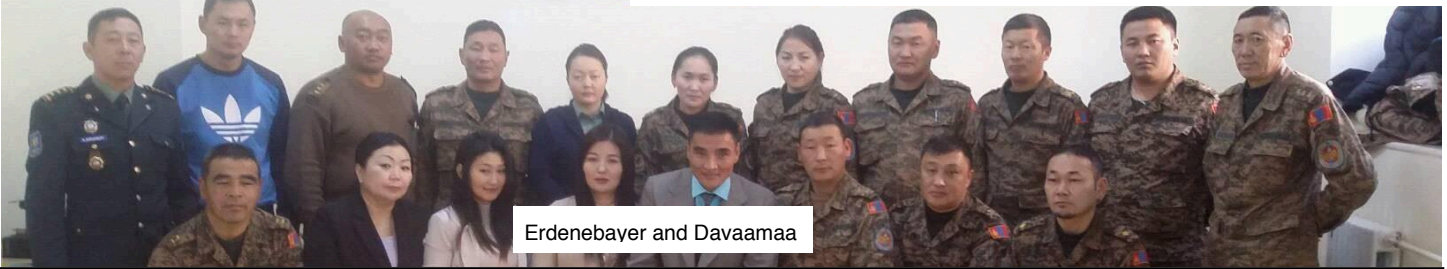


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MONGOLIAN MISSION TEAM

REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2016



I have written about Brother Erdenebayer quite a few times over the past 9 years. He was the drunken gangster whom the Lord saved in 2005, lead him and his family to Rich Heart Church and called him to preach. He pastored at Uginoor for 5 years and is now working with our NGO alcohol abuse program in UB. I would quit writing about him but his life's testimony just keeps on getting better.

In 2000 when he was 28 years old the police chef of the province where he was raised, came and had a talk with him. The conversation went pretty much like this, "Get your stuff, get out of town and never come back again." In Mongolia in the year 2000, if the chef of police tells you to get out of town, you had better leave in a hurry. Erdenebayer did leave and had never returned. Now 16 years later, in the middle of November Brother Erdenebayer got a phone call from this old police chef. He had heard through the grapevine how much Erdenebayer had changed his life. So he contacted Erdenebayer, this time to ask him to return to his old home. He wanted Erdenebayer



to present a seminar to the police department and to the government officials about how he accomplished such a great feat. Erdenebayer accepted the offer immediately and made plans for he and his wife, Davaamaa, to travel there that next week. This was a 1000km (621mi) trip, on bad roads and would take 24 hours of driving time. It also turned out to be the coldest days so far this winter, -30F to -40F. God gave them safe travels, and a great experience while they were there.



When Erdenebayer was telling us of this request and his plans to go he said, "I feel a little like Jacob, when he returned to Canaan to face his brother, Esau." Erdenebayer's fears were unwarranted as he was met with great acceptance. He was able to present the gospel to over 250 people in three different sessions. There were those who said if he would return and teach them more they would stop drinking and attend his church. Please keep this in prayer as we wait on the Lord to open this door.

It was great to have the Carrells return to Mongolia. They arrived home just in time for the cold weather. Their first Sunday home saw the temperature in UB drop to -33F. It might have been a cold welcome outside but the welcome inside were quite warm at Rich Heart Church.

Plans for starting a new church in the Yarmag area has been in the works for a few months now and with the Carrells back we are all getting more excited. It appears that we will have from 10 to 12 church members from Rich Heart go into this new work. Please join in prayer with us as we start a new church in UB.

Alcoholism is still a great problem in Mongolia. Our NGO has held classes at the government alcohol treatment center/prison for over 13 years. Until recently very few women would be placed in this facility. This month Otgun became the first woman to accept Christ after hearing the gospel from our team. After her release she began attending services at Rich Heart Church and on November 12th she accepted Christ. She was baptized the first Sunday of December. Pray that her life's testimony can be an example to all of those who know her.

