

# VESSELS OF MERCY

## A Day in the Life of a Missionary

"...to equip the saints for the work of the ministry, for building up the body of Christ..." Ephesians 4:12 ESV

There is a question I have been asked often this year; "What exactly do you do over there?" Ephesians 4:12 is our basic strategy, equipping and encouraging. It is the goal of missions worldwide, yet for each individual, according to our calling, it looks a little different. So, "What exactly are we doing over here in Asia?!"



buses, to cars, taxis, motorized tricycles with side-carts, jeepneys, boats, and we walk. We have a heart to go to some of the more rural places and strengthen and encourage pastors and churches that are working hard for the Kingdom in difficult circumstances and sometimes feel overwhelmed and alone.

pastors personally. Personal encouragement is mostly words and smiles. It also sometimes takes the form of money for medical expenses, fixing a problem with their house, or their children's pressing needs. It sometimes is given in the form of a bicycle or motorcycle for transportation. It sometimes means buying a sewing machine or some other small piece of equipment so they can have a means of supplementing their incomes enough to continue in the ministry.



Each person represents a church receiving Sunday School curriculum

Of course, not every day is the same. We do not punch a time clock from 9 to 5 and have every Saturday and Sunday off. Most days start very early. Some days end very late. Darlene and I spend a lot of time visiting different pastors and places, so a certain percentage of our time is spent lining up seminars, services, and meetings. Along with that a certain amount of time is spent getting Bibles and teaching materials, and distributing them to pastors.



Church Building Project

A lot of time is spent in traveling from place to place. Every Sunday that we are in Asia (and in the States also) we are usually in a different church. We ride in vehicles from airplanes and

How we equip, encourage, and strengthen looks a little different each place we go, because each place has different needs. In some places it means Bibles. In some places it means helping with building projects or fresh water. In most places it means teaching and preaching. In every place it means spending time strengthening and encouraging

The only real "average" in a day in our lives is that our time is spent connecting with people so that we can be an expression of God's mercy and love. We are able to consistently do this because of the faithfulness of each one of you who pray for us and support us financially. Thank you for being a part of each day in our lives! Thank you for helping us bring God's mercy to the nations.

God bless you,  
Bob & Darlene McCoy



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