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At Calvary's cross we stand at the CROSSROADS to heaven or hell.... (Our Daily Bread)

"Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying,

" This *is* the way, walk in it,"

Whenever you turn to the right hand

Or whenever you turn to the left."

Isaiah 30:21 (New King James Version)

Dear Friends:

I hope that you had a good Resurrection Sunday celebration at your churches. The girls and I went to our respective churches and we met at the Pho Restaurant both the House of Hope and the House of Faith. Pho is a Vietnamese soup that they really enjoy eating. On the first Sunday of the month, they always have Pho at the Shalom church. They missed the one last month as Daren Beck and BJ Lopez had been busy. They were both out of town for six days in Manila. It was a great time for the boys and girls to be out for lunch at an inexpensive place, something special for Easter. Right after lunch we proceeded to House of Hope for dessert.

At the beginning of this month, Steve Walkup, the Asian Hope Chairman of the Board, came for a brief visit. It was good to have him around albeit the short period of time that he was here. Most of the time, he was always busy attending to various commitments, but he was able to come to our home to lead the girls in a devotion. He officially announced as well that the girls will not be able to go finish high school in America. The girls' responded positively to the news despite their previous high hopes. I was also able to meet with him and discuss my plans for the next school year. I was really encouraged at his input and I made my commitment to stay with the girls until and December. I trust God's leading as to what I should do after that time.

Well, I just want to share with you as well about my reflection during the Holy week. It's about crossroads:

I enjoyed reading John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress as it depicts and conveys the adventurous experiences of a person's life journey in this world. In our journey, we are sometimes unsure of the road we are travelling. Sometimes we come to a smooth road; at other times, there are also rough and rocky roads that are unfamiliar to our eyes. In our continuing journey, we reach crossroads. This crossroad can be a decision that we have to make. This sometimes causes us to be confused as to which way to turn, the left or the right. In my own journey, I've been at a crossroad recently. The question is where do I go from here? This is not easy simply because I am torn between two ways, and I want to make sure if taking one or the other means that I am still in the middle of God's will. Thankfully, God is continually and constantly guiding and directing my steps and what matters to Him is whether I am able to listen to the still small voice that is talking to me so that I will have the wisdom and discernment to know to which road to take. Isaiah says, "This is the way walk ye in it...."

There are also circumstances that test all of us as to what kind of pilgrims we are. The parable of the Good Samaritan conveys a very powerful illustration of what kind of sojourners there are in the world in reacting to different life's situation. What kind am I?

God has providentially provided ALL that we need in our journey. He even gave us the whole armor

of God to ensure that whenever there is an inevitable attack from the enemy we are readily armed to have our own weapon to defend ourselves. I will continue with my journey here by the grace of God and hopefully allow Him to really direct my steps so that I will not be led astray.

In my journey I do need continued prayers from you, that God will continually protect and watch over me. Anyway, He will never leave me nor forsake me. What a great promise to hold on!

Prayers:

- That we at the House Of Faith will finish strong through the end of the school year
- That I will continue to look unto Jesus and be spiritually strengthened as I go about with my journey
- Lydia's documents to be finalized as she prepares to go to India for college
- Provision for 7 Asian Hope boys and girl who are going to college this next school year.
- Logos new school site - Right now the construction is on hold
- Prayer and financial partners for the 2 couples joining Asian Hope Cambodia

Thanksgiving:

- Good and special Easter celebration
- Praise God for the girls' positive response when they found out that they will not be able to go finish high school in America
- Encouraging and prayerful friends
- 2 couples joining Asian Hope to be CEO and houseparents

At the Pho Restaurant



Girls dying Easter eggs



Finished product!



The House of Hope and House of Faith 'mothers'...



Sandy Sasser, Kathleen Davis and I

God assured us that He will be with us to the end of the age.

Your co-sojourner,
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