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A TOUCH OF HEAVEN

CCC US STAFF CONFERENCE

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Thank you for praying for us during our summer trip to Colorado for the two conferences: Still Waters Retreat and U.S. Staff Conference. We really felt God's blessings in keeping us safe and mostly healthy during our 5000 miles of travel.

Highlights from Still Waters: 200 overseas missionaries with CCC gathered in Winter Park, CO for a time of rest, reflection and being resourced by counselors from many areas of expertise. We were blessed to serve them.

Steve enjoyed meeting with his group of missionaries back in the US after many years in Italy, Russia and China. He helped them process their experiences and led them to think through how God is directing their next steps.

Rochelle and Melissa served the missionaries by caring for 15 infants and toddlers. We know the families really appreciated the help which enabled

the moms and dads to fully engage in the worship sessions, counseling, and reflection times for them.



Still Waters worship and childcare fun.



The moment when our new name, "Cru", was revealed to the 5000 US staff members in CSU's Moby Gym.

Steve Douglass

Platt

David

Francis Chan

Highlights from the Staff Conference: It is so amazing to stand with 5000 other CCC

with 5000 other CCC staff who have given their whole lives to Jesus and worship Him together! We didn't want to stop worshiping as we sang out "If God is for us, then who

can ever stop us. If God is with us, then what can stand against," and "Holy, holy, holy. Lord God Almighty," etc, Joyous and wonderful; a little taste of Heaven!

We enjoyed some great messages from Francis Chan, David Platt, Dan Allendar, Rene Richardson and we had fun times with Japan CCC staff friends. We heard from Brad Bright, who shared about his life in Bill Bright's family, and the practical ways he learned how to walk in the Spirit, relying on the character of God.

Rochelle was especially challenged & encouraged by Brad's message. He

reminisced about a time when a reporter asked Bill Bright how he dealt with the problems he faced as the leader of a large Christian organization. Bill Bright replied, "I don't have any problems." The reporter went on exclaiming that he must have problems. After a while, Bill Bright finally replied, "I am a slave of Jesus Christ. He is my Master. So I don't have any problems, I just have opportunities to see what God will do! My job is just to obey Him." This was such a good reminder to me both to make sure that I have fully surrendered all my life to Christ and then to turn my "problems" into opportunities to see what Jesus will do!



Friends from Japan CCC reconnecting. More pics & stories: www.steveclark.us

With love and thanks, Steve, Rochelle and family