## STEVE AND ROCHELLE CLARK

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Dear friend,

During the past 12 months, my team has worked with 48 people we accepted as staff, and 45 who left for their overseas assignments. It is such fun to get newsletters from these folks. One family that works in a very sensitive country sent this update recently:

Our friend, "Dave" became a believer last fall, and he has been steadily growing since. Despite persecution, he has been very bold in sharing his faith. Back in the spring he began to bring his cousin, "James," to our weekly story group



whenever he could. James seemed sincerely interested, but he still believed his religion was right. James lives out in a village about 30 minutes from where we live, so we don't see him often.

As James read the New Testament, God was working in his heart. A few weeks ago, Dave was back in that village on the night of our story group, and since he could not come, he decided to lead his own group in his uncle's house and showed them the Jesus Film! Some of the family affirmed the film, and others opposed it. Afterwards, James suggested they sing praise songs to God, but James's father disapproved, so Dave and James just went into another room and sang together to the Lord.

At that time, Dave said that James was close to believing in Christ, in fact, he said, "I'm sure he'll believe within two weeks." We laughed at how sure he was, but then this week as Dave was talking with me by phone, he joyfully shared, "James is now a true believer!" Praise the Lord! To our knowledge, <u>James is the first believer in his village</u>, and the road ahead will certainly be tough for him, but the Lord is faithful.

We rejoice in seeing these changed lives and the impact of sending staff around the world. Those we send are having a transforming influence with the gospel in the cultures where they serve as Christ's ambassadors. We are so grateful to the Lord for you. As our partners, you enable us to do this important work and improve how we send new laborers.

As 2011 comes to a close, we are asking the Lord to provide the year end gifts that will help us meet ministry needs and finish the year with full support. To do that, we need to raise \$6000 by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Would you consider giving a special Christmas gift to help our ministry move on with the work of sending out laborers like those you just read about? Thank you for praying over this.

If God leads you to help, you can give online directly to our staff account from your bank account at http://give.ccci.org/give/0257817. As always, you can mail a check payable to 'Campus Crusade for Christ' and mail it back to us at our address below.

Please share with us ways that we can be praying for you and your family when you write. It's a great joy to pray for you, and we are looking forward to your Christmas letter too!

Blessings in Jesus! Steve, Rochelle, Andy, Ben, Melissa and Josh