

# TO CHINA WITH TRUTH

## the de los Reyes family 10-20



• We've been thinking of and praying for ways to get back into China. XiǎoLín, the lady in our Bible study told us she talked to a school in our neighborhood about the possibility of hiring me to get a visa. After talking to the school, it is clear that getting a part time teaching job is currently a **[possible way of getting back]** into China, and possibly the only way for us to be able to get back in at this time. This particular school was willing to hire me, but this school's hours wouldn't work for our schedule. But since then, I've been looking into other schools. I'm praying to find a school with the least amount of hours and an early start date so we can get back to China ASAP. • This month our city, Qīngdǎo had, what they consider there, an "outbreak" of COVID-19. Around **[nine people tested positive]** and the city shut down. In our neighborhood, anybody leaving their homes had to take a COVID test as they had testing stations set up all around

the neighborhoods. Also, travel in and out of the city was prohibited. This even caused some problems for the couple that just moved to Beijing. The husband still travels to Qīngdǎo every once in a while to work at the company branch there. He was still in the city when the "outbreak" took place. He had plans to return to his family but was unable to travel yet. However, the situation is back under control in Qīngdǎo and the travel ban should be lifting soon. • This month, I've been having the members of the Bible study take turns

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opening our time of study with a prayer. It's been so encouraging to hear them pray for each other's requests and for our time of study together. During one of the Bible studies, a couple different times one person would ask a question and another member of the Bible study would answer the question for them. Before I could answer, they'd say to me, **[Can I try to answer]** the question from my understanding?" And they'd answer the question correctly. It's also very encouraging that when we study about God's will for our lives being better than our own will, they nod in agreement. And when we study that we should pray for what God wants for our lives, even

if it means we don't get the things that we want, they still nod in agreement. • One day YīngXīn, the single guy in the Bible study tells us that, though he is living with His parents, He has still been hiding the fact that He is a Christian and studies the Bible. He is afraid they will get angry and it will cause them to have a bad relationship. XiǎoLín encouraged Him to tell His parents anyway. She shared with him again about how she told her best friend that she is a Christian and tried to share the gospel with her. Her friend's response was, "Let's stop talking about this." She tells Yīng Xīn that after you tell someone that you're a Christian or share the gospel, even if they reject it, you will feel good and at **[peace in your heart]**. Please pray for him to have the boldness to declare his faith to his family.

#### [Praises]

- Possible way to get in to China soon!
- Bible study members growing in their knowledge of and love for God!
- Bible study members encouraging each other to live live for the Lord!

#### [Requests]

- A school with good hours and early start date to hire me
- COVID-19 in Qīngdǎo
- Boldness for YīngXīn and for God to soften his parents' hearts

Pictured: Girl in Qīngdǎo receiving COVID test