

Subject: Evan Francis (Taiwan) Prayer Letter

Dear Faithful Friends,

Thank you for your prayers last month. I would first comfort everyone regarding what they might have heard developing around Taiwan. Many of you have been informed of the record number of intruding flights (“sorties”) being conducted by our northern neighbor who refuses to accept the independence of Taiwan. Although, there have been many threats made and tensions are high, my reaction to the situation is very different than what the media would like to provoke. As ministers of Jesus Christ we are looking for fruits meet for repentance. Personally, I believe that people are more likely to respond to true repentance during hardship rather than prosperity. Mark 2:17. Taiwan is currently experiencing a “banner year” in terms of financial success. Their GDP is the highest it’s been in over a decade. They have contained the health crisis, kept business humming, and continue to balance on the beam of placating nations without becoming like them. They take great pride in this, and are in many cases not of the mind to receive advice or instruction from an outsider (although they are polite.) I have been working to keep in contact with as many of them as possible, that should things deteriorate they will have a friend who can guide them to an even better One. He that has brought us, and provided for us, yet has purpose for us and will protect us. We serve Him gratefully. Thank you for your prayers and support of us these past six years.

Thank you for praying for those I’ve mentioned. Please pray for Dephane, she has tremendous pressure to conform to global standards. Although, it is in her professional best interest, it would affect her spirit detrimentally, so please continue to pray. Kelly has continued teaching her online but we hope to get her back here soon that we might better minister to her.

Thank you for praying for Chris, who I’ve kept in contact with since I stopped teaching after the lockdown lifted. Although, that door has been closed, I continue to get out in the community to meet people. Timothy is a great ambassador for me as he instantly alters my stereotype and enables me to have conversations with people who would otherwise keep distance.

It has been difficult maintaining relationships, as the lockdown provides an excuse to keep distance with everyone. It was lowered as of October 18th, but still remains fairly strict. Thank you for praying for Kevin, his parents, and his sister Juliana. Thank you for praying for Aikiwi and his family. Thank you for praying for Kelly’s family, I was able to preach to her mom a few weeks ago, and we are going to bring her back from Taipei to our home for a few days next week. Please pray that The Lord would open the door for the Gospel to be shared once again.

Thank you for your faithfulness back home. We are indebted to you for your support, prayers, and encouragement of us and we look forward to when we shall be able to see you again. May The Lord help you and guide you.

A servant,
Evan