So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. (Romans 14:8)

How can they believe in the one of whom they have not *heard*?

How can they hear without someone *preaching* to them?

# The Light of Life

In this April, I celebrated the 13th birthday of my new life. On Easter 2011, the light of life shone on me in the dark.....

There was a dialogue. A girl asked her father, "Daddy, do you love me?" He replied, "Yes, I love you!" The girl then asked, "Do I have any faults that make you unhappy?" The father replied, "Yes, you do, and as many as the stars in the sky." "Do I have any advantages that make you happy? "The father replied, "Yes, you have, and there are as numerous as the sun in the sky." The daughter was upset: "I'm sorry, daddy. Then why do you still love me?" Dad gave her a hug, "Because when the sun comes out, its light makes the stars disappear.

My God, my heavenly Father! Even though I am an imperfect sinner and my sins are as many as the stars in the sky, He gave me His Son, Jesus Christ, who came into my life to be the sun—the light of my life.

Every day, when I walk through the subways and streets in this city, often see pairs of same-sex lovers, time and time again smell the strong marijuana around me, and I also met bag-snatching kids three times. If everywhere is filled with people who are enjoying the pleasures of sin, they will no longer need to hide. The world is going to deep darkness, everyone needs the light of life!

"In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind." (John 1:4 NIV)







Pass a Jewish bookshop on the street Occasionally.

## Update



- 1) Thank you all for your prayers for Vicky. Now she is in China for vacations. We had a last cup of coffee before she left. What I didn't expect was that for about two hours she had tears in her eyes almost all the time, she told me how tired and unhappy she was, questioned the meaning of her life. She said she had lots, but didn't know what she really wanted. When I told her my story and shared with her the Gospel which she had never heard before, she started to tear up, saying that she didn't know which God was real, since her mum was a Buddhist. I prayed for her and gave her an ornament of a cross. I believe the work that God has begun in Vicky is ongoing and will continue.
- 2) I have started the Spanish course of level II. I experience the difficulties and joy of learning. Thanks be to God, I have three new Chinese classmates and five Korea classmates. The young boy Robin is an international student from China, and I hope to become friends with him.
- 3) Do you remember Song who is currently working in a Chinese restaurant? His wife has already come to Mexico City from China. He has started applying for a visa for his son in China. Hope their family can be reunited sooner or later.
- 4) Thank you for your prayers. Thank God, after a long drought, it finally rained in Mexico City three days ago and today. Although it was only a drizzle and kept very short time, it washed away the dust and heat in the air, making people feel fresh and comfortable. The rainy season is coming! right pic: A fresh and quiet street after a light rain



### KEEP PRAYING

- [1] Pray for my relationship with God and rest in Him! I look forward to knowing and discerning His will more and enter more deeply into His promises and grace!
- [2] Pray for all Chinese people in Mexico City, may God will help them to live here safely, revealing His love to them in a variety of ways.
- [3] Pray for my Spanish studies! May God gives me more wisdom, memory and patience, especially help my ears to listen better! And know how to balance the time for studying.

- [4] Pray for Vicky, may God will call her through different things to give her peace and hope. May God give me patience, love, and opportunities to continue to walk with her to seek and know God!
- [5] Pray for Song, may God keep the visa application of his son will go smoothly. Pray for Robin, ask God to help me to approach and know him.
- [6] Pray for my teammate Anne Louie, she will return to Mexico City from Toronto on May 02. May God will help her preparation, give her peace!

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