

**FOCUS ON ASIA**  
**SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE**  
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Dear Friends of Asia Missions,

I think all of you know by now that Tamara and I have taken a new assignment in Asia and that the Northeast/Northwest work will be carried on by someone else. We weighed in the fact that Tamara and I have 20 years of experience in Asia and decided to go back to Asia. We want to thank all of you who have invested your time and resources in backing our mission works over the years and pray you will stay with us.

Tamara and I were in Singapore a part of November and December of 07 getting Sunset's newest branch school opened and operable. How encouraged we were when 57 Singaporeans enrolled for the very first course, and what a blessing to know that this is only the beginning. Through this school we want to make a difference in Asia where 3.2 billion people live. We want to reach out to China, India, Indonesia, and all of Southeast Asia with the Good News of our Savior. This is indeed a great opportunity.



Singapore Class, Nov-Dec, 2007

Our target date for changing over to the Singapore work is April 1. The Bible school will be called Singapore International Bible Institute, and will be a branch of Sunset in Lubbock. We will be joined by the Tom Gorake family. Tom & Nancy have served in China before joining our Singapore team. Mark Hooper, Royce Sartain, George Carman, Stuart Jones, Ed Wharton and Gerald Paden are just some of the men who have signed on as guest teachers.

**A WORD ABOUT THE PP CHURCH:** The school will be hosted by a wonderful body of Christians known as the Pasir Panjang Church of Christ. They meet at 347 Pasir Panjang Rd, Singapore 118688. They are a mission-minded, dynamic church who have already been reaching out to the nations of Asia with the Gospel Message. The PP Church is served by 5 elders, 6 deacons, 2 ministers, 1 secretary, 1 fulltime maintenance man along with a board of directors for our new school. Their long time minister is Henry Kong known by many people throughout the United States.

## ***New Opportunity in Singapore***

Charles Cook will be serving as the Administrative Dean for the Singapore International Bible Institute.

The Cooks will be joined by Tom and Nancy Goracke, graduates of Sunset who have already served 3 years in China.

These families are asking that you form a partnership with them in this great work.

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**The Pasir Panjang Church of Christ is no doubt one of the most well know churches in all of Asia. Go to: <http://ppcoc.org/news.htm> and read about this great congregation that will be hosting Singapore International Bible Institute.**

**A WORD OF THANKS:** We definitely want to thank Royce Sartain and George Carman for helping keep the scheduled classes going while we are back in the U.S. getting our sponsorship in order. Both of these men serve in the international division of SIBI, Lubbock. Royce is a missionary-at-large and George serves as Dean of Ministry Training/Asia. Royce taught Ephesians in January and George will follow that up by teaching the Book of Acts in Feb/March. We appreciate these dedicated brothers.

Go to [www.sunsetinternational.org](http://www.sunsetinternational.org) to learn more about SIBI International.

And, a very special thanks to our supporters, some of whom have supported us in India, Hawaii, Northeast and Northwest USA , and some of these date back to when we first entered the work in India 32 years ago. What a blessing it has been to have such faithful brethren as partners in World Missions. From our hearts we thank you!

Let me answer once more the oft asked question: "But what about the Focus Northeast/Northwest mission work?" The decision to make this change was most difficult because both works are viable, but we chose Asia because we have 20 years past experience there and many others are trained and experienced in domestic missions. We request your prayers for both Asia and America.

**ADD THESE TO YOUR PRAYER LIST:** Ron and Della Burman have committed to the Northeast work and need sponsorship [ronald.burman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ronald.burman@sbcglobal.net) --- Also, the Tom Goracke family plans to join us in the Singapore training program, he will serve as Dean of Students, please give Tom an email at [twoservants2002@yahoo.com](mailto:twoservants2002@yahoo.com)

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