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"According to the Korean national scholastic assessment of 2013, Daejeon Sahmyook Middle School is among the top 0.3 percent of the nation's schools, ranking 12th among 3,225 schools nationwide.

"The schools vision is to 'foster globally creative and outstanding students' through Adventist education, character development, and academic growth. Above all, Daejeon Sahmyook Middle School promotes knowledge, ethics, and physical development based on the Bible's counsel to 'love your neighbor as yourself.' The school enjoys an outstanding educational environment.

"To create an atmosphere of comfort and contentment in which students feel at home, the school's classrooms and hallways are designed like a house. Students may sit or lie down to read books and play during recess. Since 2010, schools around the country have been promoting the motto 'schools without violence.' But while other schools install closed-circuit television and use other ways to prevent bullying and violence, Daejeon Sahmyook Middle School has focused on educating students on the fundamental sanctity of life, building upright character, and showing love and humaneness.

"Daejeon Sahmyook Middle School's aim is to be the head and not the tail. As noted by principal Kim JoonSup, 'Our school will do its best to teach with passion and love, to guide our students to be active and creative through all appropriate means. We will continue to do our work in a spirit of humility and service.'"

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II. A Book About Willis Hackett

A few days ago I ran across a book about the life of Willis Hackett by his sister, Grace Hackett Lake. When I was reading it I came across the name of Willis's son, Arlind. Remembering that we had met Arlind in the mission field, I wrote him a letter of appreciation of his father who had served in the old Far Eastern Division. Back came an answer from Arlind; here is a bit of what he wrote: "He was Youth Director for the FED from 1952 to early 1956. He was President of the North Philippine Union from 1956 to 1958. That was when I developed a love for the Far East. We still have copies of the book if anyone wants a copy. When my Aunt died my cousin gave the remaining copies to us."

-- Arlind Hackett <arlind.hackett@yahoo.com> ~~~~~~~~~~~ III. Death of Peter Tin-Kai Chan

Dayton Chong <daytonch@aol.com> May 8:

Peter Tin-Kai Chan of Clovis, California passed away peacefully at home on April 12th, 2014, of cancer. He was born in Sandakan, Malaysia on May 3rd, 1942. He was a graduate of Southeast Asia Union College, and was well-known in Southeast Asia for his canvassing work, earning him several scholarships each time for his studies. In 1963, he left for America, where he earned a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degrees in Chemistry. He then trained to become a Clinical Laboratory Scientist, a field to which he worked full time for over 40 years. In his spare time, Peter started and ran a successful real estate business. Throughout his life Peter was a committed and dedicated Christian, and a faithful member and elder of the Fresno Asian and Community Seventh-day Adventist Church and later of the Fresno Central Seventh-day Adventist Church, and devoted lots of time also working for the Hmong youth, teaching them how to develop a deeper relationship with Christ, and coordinating the Vesper services for the Fresno Central S.D.A. Church during these past few years.
Peter was also a loving husband and a wonderful father and grandfather and delighted to spending time with his family. He loved nothing more than to travel with his wife of 30 years, Helen Ngan Chn. Together they traveled through Europe, Asia, and the Middle East.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Ngan Chan, his son and daughter-in-law, Bruce (Hospital Administrator in Sonora) and Tara Chan, his daughter and husband, Dr. Grace (pediatrician in Loma Linda), and Jason Oei (an attorney) and three grandsons. Andrew Oei, Isaac Chan and Colten Chan. Phone number of Mrs. Helen Chan, (559) 297-7834.

IV. Furloughing Missionaries' Adjustment Problems

Robbie Doss, AFM missionary in Thailand writes in current Adventist Frontiers magazine:

"You know you’re an AFM missionary on furlough when
* You get off the plane in nice 65 degree weather and you freeze.
* You signal a turn with your windshield wipers.
* When shopping, you have to mentally convert dollars into another currency to see if it's a good price.
* You meet people for the first time who know you very well.
* You mix foreign words into your speech without realizing it.
* While driving down a country road a country road, you ask your passenger, "Am I driving on the right side of the road?" And the response is, "No."
* You call dollars 'baht' or some other foreign currency.
* You’re startled when someone says it is 50 degrees outside. Then you remember, that's 50 degrees Fahrenheit.
* You enjoy the feeling of being able to walk down the street without people staring at you.
* You shop at Asian markets because they carry the foods and brands you are used to.
* Tap water makes you sick.
* You go to a Thai restaurant and are disappointed when your server does not speak Thai.
* You go to a Thai restaurant and correct your server on the pronunciation of a menu item.
* You feel so thankful for the hospitality you've been shown, and so amazed at how God provides the support you need to be able to continue working overseas.
* You enjoy being home, but look forward to going back 'home'."

[Robbie & Kelli Doss and their children, Hope, Haven & Ephram, are on furlough now.]~~~~~~~~~~ V. Saw Thein's Burma Stories

Saw Thein <sawthein2009@gmail.com> March 31:

*Story One*

At the time of the Second World War the name Seventh-day Adventist was well known in Meiktila. No one believer left at the time when we began planted a mission nursery school by 2003. Currently we have about 15 to 20 Sabbath School members in regular worship service.

U Soe Win a retired worker of spinning and weaving factory became friend with me. I noticed that he may need friend because of his cripple walked. He is a bachelor live together with his younger brother who do not much care about him. During a short time we became a close friend then he opened his heart about his lonely life. I encouraged and took time talking with him and told about the love of Jesus. We began studying the Word of God daily in the morning. He is a sincere Buddhist but enjoy with us keeping the Sabbath.

To my surprise, he easily learn how God is good and share God's love on Sabbath. He wants to share his faith to his friends and relatives. He wants to serve the Lord if he became a good health condition.

Our communities needed to know God the Creator. Through health message people could pay attention to hear the final warning message. As our experience, the best ways to become friendship with the people of communities means introduce people through nursery children and follow up them by conducting series of health messages. Our powerful materials are Spirit of Prophecy books, leaflet of health & religious tracts, sermon dices, etc.

Our Sabbath worship service at Meiktila Church Company comprised with a variety of people background. Our fellowship worship service included some friends from Christian denominations, some Buddhist & Hindu friends and some Muslim friends. The worship service prior Sabbath School programs, sharing testimonies, praise & worship, special prayers and Divine service.

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*Story Two*
Last 14 years ago a man in Pwint Phyu invited us then we conducted a series of evangelistic meetings. A converted native woman named Daw Tin, we appointed her as a nursery teacher over there. Pwint Phyu, San Pya Nursery School established on 2001. Her parents made trouble and many hardships to forsake her believe the truth about Jesus Christ. She was ostracize by her relatives and Buddhist friends for refusing to support the strike. Many years Daw Tin serve as nursery teacher and have friendship with the community and faithfully spread her faith. That is why we laid the foundation of our church over there.

At the same time we sowed some gospel seeds at Taw-Chaung-Gone Village. It was far about 8 miles from Pwint Phyu. When I visited there I felt very sorry to see a flock without a shepherd thirst a living water. Once they belong to Assembly of God (AG). There was a story of the remnant message already spread by itself. The self support church elder Ko Sone laid a cassette on a pulpit and announced his congregation to listen a sermon delivered by U Khin Mg Nyein (Hope for Today). Because he has no message and doesn't know how to preach. It was their usual custom of the believers on Sunday worship. Last year Central Myanmar Mission with Myanmar Frontier Mission conducted evangelistic meetings and already planted a church there. We appointed an evangelist, U Tun Sein, to take care of the flock. We introduced people with Jesus Christ, many convince then decided to follow Him. There are many sincere majority Buddhists people who longing God in their daily affairs.

There are some Christian denominations in PwintPhyu. Saya Lan and family who work many years with "God Trio Partner" (GTP) joined the Adventist Church. All the family of eight became Adventist. Their three sons attended Adventist seminary. Currently there are conducted a regular Sabbath worship service lead by Saya Lan at his house. With the help of Saya Lan we visited U Nhw Lar, "Myanmar Evangelical Fellowship" (MEF) pastor and his wife and was surprise to know that they already know and accepted the plain truths in the Bible. There are "Independent Church of Myanmar" (ICM) and other denomination such as Baptist, Methodist.

We felt that the urgent tasks God had given us to gather all the flock in His fold. We need some more workers in the Lord's vineyard. So Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is large, but there are few workers to gather it in. Pray to the owner of the harvest that he will send out workers to gather in his harvest." Matt. 9:37-38.

VI. SULADS Story--I CAN HEAR YOU DADDY
by: Sarah A. Faminaran
SULADS Comprehensive School for the Deaf
KRRRRRRRRRRiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiinnnnnnng! Came the call on Joy's cell phone.

Joy is a volunteer assisting me at Deaf school. She skipped school to assist her brother who is hard of hearing. She was responsible in recruiting four of our seven deaf students and one of her recruits was Crisel.

We were in the kitchen when this call came. Our Deaf students were busy with the kitchen chores washing dishes, cleaning the tables, arranging the vegetables, etc. It was Crisel's Dad on the other end of the line. He was calling Joy to inquire about his daughter. "How is my dear Crisel? Is she doing fine? Is she enjoying school? Is she eating well? How is her health?

What about her provisions?" Question upon question upon question of a loving concerned Dad, as this was the first time his fifteen-year-old special child had been away from home.

I could hear their conversation very clearly as Joy set the phone on loudspeaker. Our deaf students never knew what was happening and were busy with their chores. My husband, Daryl who was just right beside Crisel, touched her and signed to her that it was her Dad on the other end of the line talking to Joy. "Your Dad is calling and inquiring about you." Daryl said in signs.

"MY DADDY?" she was signing so fast now and jumping for joy!

She ran to Joy and asked for the cellphone. "I want to talk to my Dad,"

She was jumping, clapping, wringing her hands, urgent and could hardly wait for her turn. "Give me the phone! Give me the phone!" She seemed to say in her urgency.

She then grabbed the phone and pressed it to her ear! Feeling the vibration, "Waaaaa, Waaaaaa, Waaaaa, hooooo, hoooo, wooooohaaaaaaa!"

She was making a lot of noise and jumping for joy which seemed to say, "I CAN HEAR YOU DADDY, I CAN HEAR YOU DADDY and I miss you so much!" She was talking her heart out to her Dad in sounds only her Dad could possibly understand. What I could understand in her joy was. "Don't you worry, Daddy.
I'm just fine here and I'm enjoying school. I miss you and mommy and home so much and do come please and visit me.

Later on, she stopped jumping and her joys turned to tears, as she was not able to hold her emotion anymore. She seemed to say, "I want to hug you, Daddy, but you are so far away."

I was not able to hold my tears, either, as I realized her trauma. I talked to my God in a whisper, "Lord, You called me to this ministry of taking care of these special children, the Deaf. Please give me a bigger heart to love and listen to their needs."

My heart went out for Crisel understanding that she missed home. "Do you want to spend the weekend home?" I asked her.

"No! I'm fine," she said, "and I enjoy it here. I just missed home but it's alright."

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