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Kèng-thia* e Lâm Bok-su siu phoe pêng-an!

Thank you for your letter and the "Season's Greetings". It was a delight to hear from you again. My wife and I had a joyful Christmas Season and a joyful Christmas celebration as well. Well, as a matter of fact, we have'nt taken down our Christmas tree yet. It still looks fresh, but it's days are counted.

My children are still splattered around the world. My daughter Dorothea is living with her family here in the south of Germany. When she was a little baby in Hó'-bóe your mother baby-sit her once, and Dorothea gave her a hard time, she was crying all the time.

My son Uwe ist still living in Taitung City, Taiwan as a missionary. He's working mainly with families with special needs, and Holger, the youngest one, lives in Greenville, SC. also taking on responcebily in their church.

Looking bck at the past year we're grateful for the Lord's grace. We both had to spend some time at the hospital but are doing well again. We had some joyful times as well. In September we celebated our 50th wedding anniversary (picture enclused), in Oktober my wife Barbara turned 80. So that was another big and joyful event. Not to mention my 60th anniversary with the Liebenzell Mission.

Modern communication made it possible to take part in the Christmas celebration of Tiong-bêng Kàu-hōe in Taichung City. Via Skype we visited them in their âm-hōe. The church has grown and some of the members got older, too, but hey are still going on faithfully in the Lord's work.

Now, I want to thank you for your gracious gift of US \$ 250,-. At the same time I have to apologize. As you probabely found out, I have not cashed your check from last year. I'm sorry to say, that it got lost among other papers and when I found out about it, it was expired already. I return it with this letter. Please forgive me my carelessness!

Enclosed also find a picture of your late father and I. Thinking of him, I'm still grateful for his help when I came to Huwei in 1971. But before that he had helped me with finding that nice and cosy place we lived at in Huwei. I'm sure his blessings abide with you too.

Before I wrote this letter, I just finished my preparation for a Bible study tomorrow night. The creation story in the light of Psalm 104.

In closing my wife and I wish you a blessed und joyful New Year. And for the upcoming Chinese New Year we say Sin-nî kiông-hí!!!

With thankfulness truly,

Gerhard & Barbara *Bō Jiatjū Bok-su kap su-bō ohi-kéng.*

Enclosures

