## 1/27/2019

## Dear Sek-iong

We are still in the first month of the new year and you will also have feelings of Chinese New Year. We wish you rich blessings on your path, and to your whole wider family. Especially we wish you health for body and soul.

We are always happy to think of you and your family and of the Taiwanese friends in their faithfulness during decades.

Chu- Hsien is living with heart and mind in his home country. Thanks to the communication possibilities he is very well informed about what is going on in church and society and suffers a lot from the pressure of reality. But he is healthy in relation to his age and has a fresh mind and deep thinking....

For our breakfast table talks we daily exchange the news from and from Germany to share our mind and thinking as we are walking our life journey together.

Last year the highlight was the visit of his son, Le-ter, his doughter in law Shin-Hui and his grandson Heng-yu, for 3 three weeks, and we travelled to beautiful places in Germany, mainly to Bavaria, to the German alps, to Salzburg and on the way back to Erfurt, to have a glance of the home of Martin Luther.

We gratefully enjoy the time which retirement grants us, both working on a book, Chu- Hsien on wisdom literature, me on prayer.

We have contact to the Taiwanese Community in Berlin which is now on the shoulders of the young generation, the representative / ambassador of Taiwan is here, he loves Berlin, tries his best to introduce Taiwan, there are very few christians among them.

We also enjoy my son's young family and the grandson Nikan, he is regularly with us, one afternoon per week and when the parents have extra concerts beyond the normal scedule and then he stays over night with us. He started now to speak English to Akong, he is 5 years old and the father talked English to him from the first day. Until now he only answered in German but now he got the point and enjoys to switch to English, it is consciously, it is not just belingual.

We also concern and are in correspondence with the doctor candidates from the who are struggling and enjoying their studies in Edinbourgh.

They are also on the list of visitors, and just this morning we were informed that Huang Pek-Ho will be in Berlin for a meeting and visit us in February.

So our live is active and open to the world affairs which gives us much to pray about.

Sek- long, I thank you so much for your check at Christmas this year. It is to me until now incredable that the bond of Taiwanese Christians to the missionaries of their church is so rich and stable: I never heard or read something like this. The normal tone is to get rid of the missionaries or their legacies . The friendliness and personal concern to foreigners is wold reknown, and a such a treasure in a time, when world wide the exclusiveness is blooming.

Peace to your Family and a happy 2019

And our love and greetings from Berlin

Bettina and Chu- Hsien