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Uncle Liang

Uncle L was sent to a prison farm in the northern Chinese mountains for 7 years as he would not incriminate his fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

When he arrived, he was ordered to work in the rice fields digging for often up to 14 hours a day. He diligently worked in the fields while at the same time spending time with the Lord as well as preaching to fellow prisoners. At various times he would be caught by prison guards or reported by prisoners and as a result of it, he would be severely punished and beaten. Nevertheless, he would continue to preach to his prison guards and fellow prisoners knowing he would be punished. He was certainly led by the fervour of the Holy Spirit. Eventually the prison chief put him in a place where he did not have much interaction with either fellow prisoners or guards – *looking after the prison pigs*.

During the day Uncle L had to leave the farm to search for food for the pigs from the surrounding areas. The camp was so isolated that there was no way to escape.

On his various journeys to get food, Uncle L would meet and talk to villagers from the surrounding areas. He would talk to them about Jesus which began an amazing period in his life.

Over a period of 5 years, Uncle L would go into the countryside to get food for the pigs and he would meet Christians. As a result he formed 13 churches which are still in existence today. The further he had to forage for food, the more people he would talk about Jesus and convert them to Christianity.

In the last 2 years of his prison term at the labour farm, he actually had his Brothers and Sisters in Christ finding food for the pigs, so he could spend his time preaching and teaching the Gospel of Jesus.

Today, Uncle L is the leader of a church of over 10 million believers in Christ.

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Sister Chan

In 1982 as young widow with 2 young children, Sister Chan was “*called*” by God to go to a distant place and preach the Gospel. At that time she did not understand as she did not have a bible nor did she have the gift of preaching. **God was actually calling her to enter prison and preach the Good News there.**

In 1983 a Sister in the Lord who had cancer came to Chan’s house where she was prayed for, but the Sister died. Because she was at Chan’s house, Chan was sent to prison for 6 years.

Because she preached the Gospel she received very harsh treatment. She was sent to a labour reform farm for 5 years where there were 600 women who were at the farm for such crimes as murder, prostitution, kidnapping, theft and corruption. It was truly HELL on earth, the most filthy, squalid place in the world.

Sister Chan did not have a Bible but managed to get parts smuggled into the prison farm by various means. One means of getting parts of the Bible into prison was to get her children (who could visit once a month) to strap parts of the Bible to their legs or in their underwear. The children would ask to go to the toilet and when there was nobody around, the children would pass over the parts of the Bible.

The Bible would then be hand copied and given to believers in their cells. The recipients would kneel before the Lord in thanksgiving and lost no time reading and studying. They would often forgo several minutes of their meal breaks or study late into the nights. They used every opportunity to earnestly peruse the truth.

As Sister Chan left the prison she prayed - “**Lord, the road ahead is too great for me, I ask you Lord me step by step!!!**”

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Sister Weng

As a young Sister in the Lord, Sister Weng asked Sister Sheng, “Mother, I truly thirst for God’s word. Can you find some way to get me a Bible?” Eventually Sister Sheng was able to get Sister Weng a New Testament and upon receiving it, she worked hard at copying the Bible.

How did she achieve this under the watchful eyes of the prison guards? During the day, everyone had to work 10 hours of hard labour under constant surveillance, so it was not possible to do it then. But at night when all the other prisoners were sound asleep, she hid under her blanket, allowing a small amount of light in (the lights were never turned off at night), and she would scribble furiously with all her might. But the long hours of hard manual labour often left her body extremely exhausted. As winter approached, her thin blanket could not keep out the cold so her teeth would chatter as she copied. Undeterred, she took advantage of every opportunity to copy the Bible, driven by the other sisters’ need for God’s Word.

Often, she was tempted to sleep, and she would find herself nodding off and her pen slipping out of her fingers. But each time she would see a picture of the sisters with their hands outstretched begging for a Bible. She would then wake up with a jolt and continue copying until the small hours of the morning.

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Aunty Mable

She remained single to look after her sick brother. She came from a wealthy family living in a large house in the centre of Beijing and was branded a “rich landowner”. She was forced to leave her villa and live in a garden hut and lost her job as a doctor. Aunty Mable was sent to a labour gang where she had to shovel sand. She was severely humiliated, beaten and paraded through the streets with a sign listing her “crimes”. They put a sign outside her house, labelling her as an outcast for distributing *‘imperialistic literature’ (the bible)*

Beaten and humiliated, Mable went to the hut one day and told God “*I can’t go on any more*”. She took a large chopping knife and held it to her wrist. Before she struck, she prayed “Lord, if this is wrong, help me!” She didn’t use the knife but instead sat down and broke out in tears. She endured the beatings and scorn for 8 more years. Somehow God gave her the strength to go on.

Many years later Mable was not rehabilitated, and was not given her house back. Instead, people sought her out and to her astonishment, many of them were high ranking Communist officials. Even more astonishingly, they all asked her for Bibles and told her that one of her “crimes” was that she had Bibles and they hoped she might still have one.

Aunty Mable then started a Bible smuggling channel into the Chinese capital **BUT** today we don’t need to smuggle Bibles into China, as Asian Outreach can now print Bibles inside China for A\$4.00 each.

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