

Outreach - Serving Others

In Acts 1:8 Jesus told his apostles ...*you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.* That is known as the "Great Commission," and it is equally meaningful for us as well.

One way in which ICC reaches out to International students is to assist new international students at the start of the Fall semester with their furniture needs.

In the past we have been able to provide free furniture items donated by ICC members. This year there was limited furniture available, so we provide transportation and assistance in shopping for used furniture.

And a **Special Thanks** to ICC members Rick and Arlene Swindell, owners of the "Show-Me" store (note photo). They were very gracious in making "deals" for the international students!

From the Editor

It is exciting to have a new Pastor, and Bill and his wife Lori have many special qualifications that will serve the needs of ICC very well. One of those "qualities" was on clear display the first Sunday that Bill spoke – his love for God. It amazed me to see tears in his eyes when he spoke about God's great love. That passion for Christ will serve all of us well! Thanks, Bill.

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ICC "HAPPENINGS"

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ICC WELCOMES NEW PASTOR

The International Community Church started the new year (2010) with a new Pastor, Bill Younker. Bill and his wife, Lori, held the first Sunday Celebration of 2010 with Bill leading the worship service. Bill joins ICC from an EFree church he established in Farmington, MO. He and Lori started that church in 2000. In addition to their service experience developing and leading a new church, they also have shared experiences as Missionaries to Mongolia, China, serving there for over five years. Lori has her Masters degree in ESL and has served as an English language instructor for over the six years. We **WELCOME** Bill and Lori to ICC!



Families It's amazing to see how many families participate at ICC, many from other countries and all with a love for God.



Fellowship The mix of internationals at ICC serves as an unique opportunity for making friends from around the world. 1 John 1:7 tells us *But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another...* It is this fellowship that provides ICC members a true meaning of friendship.



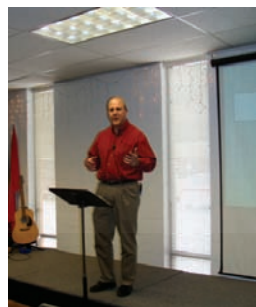
African Singing We were recently blessed at ICC with a group of three ladies providing singing during our Sunday Celebration. In addition to their colorful native dress, their exceptional voices singing praise was wonderful to experience.



A Special Recognition Javier Aguilar and his wife Cecilia will be finishing his Ph.D. Program at MU in February, at which time they plan to return to their home in Bolivia. They and their two sons, Joachin and Santiago, have been faithful participants at ICC, and will be greatly missed. Please make sure you let them know over the next couple months how much they are appreciated.



Children of the Church With the many families in the church, come many children. What a blessing they are to us. And what a blessing we have with our Sunday School teachers and their service.



Top right: Lisa
right: Kelli

From the Pastor

Lori and I are excited about being a part of the ministry at ICC! We will be on a huge learning curve in the next few months as we get to know new ministries, new people and a new city. But I know that the people of ICC will help us in the process. There are many things ahead for ICC. I know that we will be moving to a new location for one. I ask that you remember us in your prayers as the Lord guides us to that place where He wants us to minister from. There are new ministry and partnership opportunities as well. We have already heard about ways that ICC and Christian groups may be able to join together to do work for God's Kingdom. I am not going to go into details at this point, but if things start to materialize I will let you know in the future.

We have only been here a few days, but I feel as though we have hit the ground running! May the Lord use us as we reach out to the Internationals of the Columbia area. Serving Him, Bill