

## Why be part of a Bibles for China Team?

Isaiah 55:10-11 says, "As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish: so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth; It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

In a rural area near Chengdu, located in south central China, a women in her 80's walked nearly 10 miles just to receive a Bible. She had been a Christian for many years and had never had a Bible of her own. This woman had almost given up hope when a Bibles for China (BFC) team brought free Bibles to her area. She was overwhelmed when she was given a Bible.

Often, as soon as a believer receives their first Bible, they immediately start reading. Sometimes they are still seated in the same place, still reading their Bible when we leave the village. One BFC team member wrote his prayer support team that he felt like some of the Chinese believers he had given a Bible had read more before he left their village than some believers in his church would read in an entire year.

Just before Bibles were delivered to the believers in a village in Shandong Province, the pastor asked the believers to pray for forgiveness, a pure heart, and God's guidance as they received a Bible. The BFC team was emotionally broken as puddles of tears formed at the feet of the believers as they prayed.

Stories just like this are told by virtually every person that goes to China as part of a BFC team. Most Christians living in developed countries have never known a day without God's Word available to them. Most rural Chinese believers cannot imagine a day with their own copy of God's Word. Often when BFC team travel to the more remote areas of rural China there is one or two or sometimes zero Bibles for an entire village that may have 250-500 believers living there. These believers are desperate for God's Word.

Why be part of a BFC team? Because you can make a difference! Believers in rural China are desperate for God's Word, the need is great and only God's Word can provide truths that protect these believers from the lies of Satan. It is estimated that 45 million Chinese believers do not have even one Bible in their family let alone a Bible for each believer in their family.

Bibles for China raises funds in developed countries and uses those funds to purchase Bibles printed in China. BFC sends teams to rural China to verify delivery and assist in the distribution. BFC teams not only verify delivery of the Bibles but get to celebrate with local believers as they receive their Bible.

As the number of Bibles BFC is able to supply increases the need for team members to verify deliver also increases. Each team will verify delivery of between 6,000 and 10,000 Bibles. BFC teams are made up of people who love God's Word and have a passion to see Chinese Christians have a copy of the Bible. If you share this passion for God's Word, please pray about becoming a BFC Bible Distribution Team member.

For more information on how you can join us, please check out our website www.BiblesforChina.org.