

Dear Friends,

July 15th, 2009

Transformers opened June 24th and my co-worker and his son went to the Chinese version in the theatre in our town. The day after the opening I wore a skirt which has stylized Chinese characters on it. My co-worker, who has probably seen me in the skirt dozens of times, took one look and said, "Your skirt has transformer writing on it, you'd better be careful or some alien will come up to you." I have not seen the movie so I have no idea what that meant!

Our work here in Shanxi is also about transformation. It is exciting to me to see people's lives changing because of the work we do. A man who attended our Metabolic Syndrome study did not know he had diabetes. He had a blood sugar 3 times the normal fasting level and after a week in the hospital, his sugar is now under control. Another man began to be careful of his diet and exercise, and now has his lipid levels almost under control. A woman attending the Visitation Team training, having heard that listening is an important part of communication, reported that she was careful to listen more and a woman she was visiting said "Finally, some one is listening to me." We still have a long way to go as the practice sessions still show that they talk 80% or more of the time.

Please pray with us that our work will be transformational in all aspects of life-physically with our medical work; mentally and psychologically with our social or and visitation work; and spiritually with our service to the church and Bible studies.

My home assignment schedule is below. I have the Saturday and Sunday services scheduled, but still have time during the week, especially when in New England. Please let me know if you want a mid-week visit while I am in your area. Email is the best way to contact me while I am traveling. (Please use baijudy@yahoo.com).

July 23	Depart China, arrive in Chicago
July 25-26	Our Saviour's, IL
July 27-Aug 1	Summer conference in Kenosha, WI
Aug 1-2	Prince of Peace, IL
Aug 3-7	Home in NH
Aug. 7 or 8	to North Carolina
Aug. 16	Emmanuel, NC
Aug. 22-23	Good Shepherd, Wilmington, DE
Aug. 29-30	St. Mark's, Butler, PA
Sept. 6	NH
Sept. 13	St. Andrew, Ellsworth, ME
Sept. 20	St. Peter's, Harwick, MA
Sept. 27	St. Michael's, Conn.
Oct. 4	NH (no visit this day)
Oct. 5	Return to China.

Blessings,

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