

## MC GLENN CHINA MINISTRY 2018

I want to share with you something God seems to be speaking to me about for a new ministry. It actually isn't new, God had given me this burden nearly 50 years ago when I was at seminary. As many of you well know, the Communist Bamboo Curtain closed China to any outsiders. So at that time I gave up that idea. No one went in and no one came out. 1972 Nixon visited China and the door opened a little bit. 1976 Mao Tse-tung died. 1989 Tianamen Square Protest by young people opened the door further to Western ideas. Sadly, thousands of protesters were killed by the Army. Nearly 30 years later it seems 90 percent of what I buy is made in China. Now, even though Communism took over 70 years ago, the doors are open more than ever before for sharing God's Word.

My departed wife Tricia and I thought about going in the last 5 years but because her health had gotten so bad we knew it would not work. One of the moms in my homeschool grew up in Hong Kong where her parents were missionaries. When Hong Kong was reabsorbed into China in 1997, they were able to move their mission inland as China was more open to outsiders.



I believe this is what God had in mind when he gave me the verse that out of Tricia's death came a seed of inspiration for this new ministry, and as it falls into the ground and grows, I am trusting the Lord will bring forth much fruit; i.e. the further spread of the gospel. *"Truly, truly, I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a seed; but if it dies, it bears much fruit".* John 12:24

**PICTURE.** Some of you know my Great Grandparents were missionaries in China with the Swedish Evangelical Free Mission in 1890. My grandmother, Esther, was born there and I still have her Chinese Bible. (Left) Magnus and Matilda Book (Bo'k in Swedish) My grandmother Esther in front, baby is

Ruth who died later from sickness. Esther's Bible which may be the one in Grandpa's hand.



**FINANCIAL NEEDS.** God willing, Amy and I are planning to go to China in October to Yunnan Province in the southern part of China. With the missionaries we met, we will go there to teach creation science to homeschool and college students. We need to raise \$3000 in order to accomplish this mission. \$1000 has already been pledged and we need an additional \$2000 to go for a month. We are excited because Amy knows the culture and speaks the language and together we can serve Jesus in China with the gospel.



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