

Dennis and Linda's E-News



EVANGELIZING AT THE NIGHT MARKET WITH CAROLS, TREATS, AND TRACTS

CHRISTMAS IN TAIPEI, TAIWAN

It has been really interesting being in Taiwan at Christmas time. Christmas trees, Santas and even Christmas music is heard every place you go. In a land where all brands of Christianity total about 3.5 percent, there is a notable absence of nativity scenes, but many include "Merry Christmas" in their limited

English vocabulary. The church Allen and Cherry are working with decided to sing carols a couple of evenings in the night market. They made several contacts, and one man who sells candy noticed what they were doing and came out with a very large bag of candy and asked them to distribute it as well.

KATELIN JENNIE MESSIMER ARRIVES

Of course, the reason we are here is for the birth of our 2nd grandchild. Katelin Jennie made her appearance at about 3:00 am on December 7th. She weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was just over 19 inches tall. It did not take her long to take control of the whole family. One night Allen heard Kirstie crying. When he went in to see her she pushed him away and told him, "You go hold baby ...baby crying."

One family even gave the grandparents a present. They handed Linda some anti-aging cream. I was quite pleased until they said that actually the present was for both of us. Christmas day we were able to link up via webcam with Heidi, Kenny, and Brent in Missouri. Heidi and Kenny then opened an envelope the doctor had prepared after a previous ultrasound. The message on the card said, "It's a boy."

Prayer requests:

- Heidi and Kenny's baby is due in May. We plan to be there for the birth.
- Dennis has preached in two congregations here in Taiwan. Pray for both the Christian and not yet Christian friends we are making.
- It is not going to be easy, but we do plan to leave our family here and return to Mozambique on the 18th of January.
- Katelin is rapidly gaining weight and getting taller. Cherry is also recovering well after the birth. The grandparents are blessed.

In Moz you can phone us at 00 258 21750246 or 00 258 827002801.

If we happen to be in South Africa, our number is 00 27 723428544. On some phones, replace the "00" with a "+".



Katelin finds taking pictures rather boring. For pictures and contact info, go to our website listed below. Allen has placed several albums there.