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Dear Friends & Supporters,

This is the final newsletter of 2008. All previous newsletters -- with news from the mission field, new Bible study resources, and more -- are viewable at the website.

From the bottom of our heart, Vicki and I thank you for your prayers and encouragement this year. Special thanks go to those who generously provided funding for this ministry. It has been an amazing year. On the "work" side: the birth of the Eurasian (Russian) Bible School, three public debates, our annual tour (Egypt, Israel, Jordan), one new book, many new DVDs and audio sets, a contract with Harvest House, ministry in 33 cities, and many new friends. On the "family" side: our second child began college; our youngest became a Christian and also began high school; and my mother returned to church after being away for 18 years. And, like many we know, we faced some health challenges. Yet the Lord has been very good to us, and we appreciate our relationships around the world, in the local church (North River), and with all of you who have made this ministry possible.

As you know, the international teaching ministry is donation-supported. In case of you would like to make an end-of year contribution, please click [here](#). Areas of need include the AIM Scholarship fund (we wish we could extend free tuition to more deserving brothers and sisters...) and website support (I spend 1-2 hours a day creating new material, and up till now we have not charged for access to any of these resources.

The next newsletter will go out in January. In the meantime, we wish you a Happy New Year.

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FREE 2009 AIM SESSION: AND THE WINNER IS....

Following on from the special drawing (newsletter 20), we announced 20 finalists. This group was further narrowed down to three persons: Tim Merritt of Phoenix, James Hatchett of Dallas, and Lay-Yan Tang of Boston. The winner, chosen randomly, is Lay-Yan Tang, a recent graduate of Boston College and a leader in campus ministry in the Boston area. When I contacted her and we talked on the phone, she was over the moon, thrilled for the opportunity to learn.

Lay-Yan will receive free round-trip airfare and full tuition for one of the five 2009 AIM sessions in the United States (Old Testament, Counseling, Archaeology, Church History & Worldviews, Family Life), a value of over \$1000. Her choice: the 5-day O.T. session in February. Instructors include Joey Harris and myself, as well as Tom Olbricht, distinguished professor (emeritus) of theology at Pepperdine.

Another drawing will be held later in 2009. Details will be sent through the regular newsletter (provided you are a subscriber).

PREMIUM SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you've followed all the daily Bible studies this year, you have completed a thorough study of the entire New Testament. Well done! For the next few days, articles of seasonal interest will be offered. Then, starting in January, we will begin to study the Old Testament together.

O.T. studies will be delivered by weekly podcast! You can listen to the lessons online or, if you prefer, download them and take them with you.

Access to these studies, as well as to the 400 pages of N.T. studies created in 2008, will be for premium subscribers only. Please note that the lessons may not be copied, shared, or sold.

The price to become a premium member is \$36.50 per year. That's just ten cents a day! Please **sign up** now. Not only are you gaining access to hundreds of pages of N.T. studies, which will be updated throughout the year, and to the O.T. podcasts, but you are also supporting the International Teaching Ministry.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Every day from 17-24 December you will find articles related to Christmas at the [homepage](#). Hope you enjoy them, and to all, happy holidays!