

# The Till Family

Austin, Anny Grace & Abraham

## CHURCH PLANTING MISSIONARIES TO CHINA

February 2025 Prayer Letter

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,



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The last English outreach before Spring Festival

**The Lord has been good during the Spring Festival season.** Spring Festival, also known as Chinese New Year, is a lunar holiday that fell on the last week of January and extended through the first week of February this year. It is China's largest holiday, and in many ways is comparable to Christmas in that they have much time off from school and work to spend with family. During this slow-paced season of ministry, the Lord has worked in many ways.

**In the lead up to Spring Festival, both Christopher (recently saved just last month) and Mr. Chen (saved in June of last year) reached out with questions about how to navigate the season as believers.** Depending on the family, Spring Festival may be a time for worshipping buddha, praying to ancestors, and other practices that are opposed to the worship of Christ. It was encouraging that each of these new brothers had the forethought to consider how best to navigate the challenges that the holiday would bring. Christopher comes from a highly devout buddhist family and was concerned about being in such a dark environment back in his hometown for over a week. I challenged him to take his Bible with him to read as time permitted. **I was encouraged when he messaged me a few days after the holiday to tell me he had read all of the book of Romans!** Mr. Chen comes from a family that is traditional Confucian and spends their holidays praying to and venerating ancestors. **He messaged me beforehand to strategize how to politely tell his family he wouldn't be participating due to his faith in Christ!** We praise the Lord for how He is working in the hearts of these brothers and growing their faith in Him!

**Please pray for Anny's grandmother.** On Chinese New Years Day, Anny tried calling her only to learn that she had been taken to the hospital due to pain in her abdomen. A couple of days later, Anny decided to take a special trip down (two provinces away) to visit her. Doctors determined that her grandmother has gallbladder cancer. Due to her advanced age, surgery is not an option. Anny spent about a week with her to help her uncle and aunt care for her. Anny is now back with us in Suzhou, and her grandmother has since been in a coma. Her grandmother professes faith in Christ, though she also has been known to consult with fortune tellers and the like since making her profession of faith many years ago. Before she went into a coma, Anny encouraged her to look to Christ and pray to Him and Him alone. At one point the next day, Anny went into the hospital room to discover her grandmother's lips moving. When Anny asked if she was praying, she nodded. Please pray for her!

**Friends, thank you all for your faithful prayers for the ministry here in Suzhou, China!** We wouldn't be able to serve here without your continued partnership and prayer support. Christ is worthy!



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Population 15.6 million  
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### Praises & Prayer Requests

- Praise - Christopher and Mr. Chen are growing in their faith!
- Pray for English outreaches and other opportunities to minister the gospel to college students and young professionals.
- Pray that the Lord would bless Hope Baptist Church.
- Pray for the salvation of Abby, Jerry, Zeyu, Darren, Jimmy, Tim, and Eric.
- Pray for the health of Anny's grandmother.
- Pray for the 2025 Goforth China Tour.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up and send forth more laborers into His harvest field.

Reaching China for Christ,  
Austin Till

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