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TY AND REBECCA PEPPERDINE

Church Planting Missionaries to China

WHY CHINA?

The most important reason is because God has called us to China. Secondly, the harvest truly is plenteous in China, as the most populated country in the world, the need is great! 1,228 people **an hour** die in China, if one takes the best possible number of those saved at 5% of the population, that is still 1166 people going to hell every hour. That disturbs and burdens my heart to get there, to raise up more laborers and allow God to use me to reach, teach and train pastors in China.

ABOUT CHINA

- China has a population over four times larger than the United states.



- Officially an atheistic country, they teach there is no God.
- Only 5% professing to be Christian, however that includes all kinds, actual bible believing Christians is far less
- The official language is Mandarin Chinese

BIO

We have been married since July 30, 1993 and have two grown daughters who both love the Lord. Rebecca homeschooled both K-12. Emma is our oldest daughter, married to Robert Becker and they are church planting missionaries to Argentina. Abigail has graduated college and working at Pensacola Christian Academy, engaged to Joseph Hodges, Church Planting Missionary to Honduras. Ty had a successful eighteen-year career, as a technical manager for a software company. We have been serving the Lord together and as a family during that time, including church cleaners, weekly outreach, Jail preaching, Assisted Living home, Sunday School teachers (both adult and youth), youth workers, heavily involved with missions and in discipleship

Testimonies:

Ty –

I grew up in a small Northern California town. Although exposed to Christianity, I had no direct Biblical influence, except for some special saints, that as I look back, had impact in my life. My parents divorced when I was in 7th grade and that really affected my life. It also provided many freedoms a young man should not have. I was involved in many worldly activities, and by my senior year, although having much freedom, I was miserable. I remembered those special saints and the Jesus that they talked about, so I went to this little country church to see if I could find any answers. That day, in April 1987, I heard the gospel and trusted in Christ as my Savior. I knew instantly that I was changed; I was different and could see choices more clearly. I did not understand much, but now know it was because I was born again and filled and sealed with the Holy Spirit. Shortly after this decision, I was making better choices, however I soon left for college. The first year I isolated myself and soon became very much alone, which led me to a decision to move in with my old friends to conquer this loneliness. God made it clear to me that if I moved in with them, I would do the things that they did. I chose wrong and soon was doing things I should not be doing.

Over the next three years I spiraled out of control until finally I could not take it anymore. The Gideons had given me a little green bible on our college campus and I started reading this and praying. Soon, I was attending church and then, at a men's retreat, I committed my life back to the Lord, as I was understanding what really had happened back in 1987. Then, a man started discipling me, which really got me on the right track. Instead of going to parties, I went with groups to share the gospel with those same people. God used this time and serving in the church to continue to grow me. I met Rebecca and we got married with the desire to serve the Lord however He would have us serve Him. We did this first by serving in the church and being senders. We taught Sunday School, did outreach and other tasks. In 2004, I was reading II Corinthians 5:14-15 and realized I should no longer be living for myself but for the Lord. I told the Lord I wanted to do more. I began to preach in the jail ministry and assisted living homes, as well as serving as a church leader in various capacities. My faith appeared to plateau at this point until coming to Vision Baptist Church at the end of 2012. The men at Vision have encouraged me to grow in the Lord and this sharpening has propelled me to seek Jesus all-the-more. I became even more addicted to the ministry, to reading and studying the Bible. As described in the call section, we are now prepared to do more for Jesus.

Rebecca-

My childhood did not begin in a Christian home. When I was 3-4, my parents divorced, and my dad left the family picture. My mom remained and my stepdad, an Air Force pilot soon had us relocated from the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO to another base in Ft. Walton Beach, FL. Here, my mom became involved with the Officer's Wives Club. A Christian lady took the time to share and explain the Gospel to my mom and not long thereafter, she was born-again. I was now 7, and my mom explained these truths to me, and I too was born-again and then water baptized in Okaloosa Bay. What I loved most about God at this age in my life was how He was so often described in the Bible as a Faithful Father. I really loved this! But as I grew older, I was never disciplined in the core doctrines of scripture and spent most of my time with worldly young folk and therefore, I was a very worldly teen. But I can honestly tell you that I loved God and my heart did desire more of Him. By the time, I headed off to college in Northern CA, I had a pretty messed up head! There were also issues of sexual abuse from my childhood that had never been dealt with, as well as my own moral failures. College life could've easily done me in. But thanks to my Faithful Father, He had much better plans! Amid a very secular college, He made sure that I found an older friend, a Christian woman, who desired to disciple messed up college gals like me in the wonderful truths of the Bible. We met weekly and I finally began to grow up in my Christian faith! I understood more fully my place as a sinner in the sight of a holy God. I truly needed a Savior! All that my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ had done for me became so real now as a 19-year-old gal. And my desire to live and grow in Him has always remained since that time. I met and married Ty soon after this. I have homeschooled and raised up two beautiful daughters who both love Jesus and have committed to lives on the foreign mission field themselves. Ty and I love serving in the church, teaching and training others in biblical truth. We desire greatly to carry all this to China and, by the grace of God, continue more of the same there for many more fruitful years in His service!

What we believe:

The Bible

We believe that the BIBLE is the WORD OF GOD, and that it is divinely inspired. We believe in the plenary, verbal inspiration, that it is the only complete and final revelation of the will of GOD to man, and the supreme, infallible authority in all matters of faith and conduct. We use the King James Bible for all teaching and preaching in English. *II Timothy 3:16; II Peter 1:20,21; Mark 13:31; John 8:31,32; John 20:31; Acts 20:32*

God

We believe in the Trinity, the unity of the Godhead. There are three persons: The FATHER, The SON, and The HOLY SPIRIT. They are equally perfect in every divine quality and execute distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. (A) We believe in GOD the FATHER (B) We believe in JESUS CHRIST (C) We believe in the HOLY SPIRIT. *Genesis 1:1,26; John 1:1,3; Matthew 28:19; John 4:24; Romans 1:19,20; Ephesians 4:5,6*

The Father

We believe in God the Father, an infinite, personal spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power and love. We believe that He infallibly foreknows all that shall come to pass, that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men, that He hears and answers prayer, and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ. *Luke 10:21,22; Matthew 23:9; John 3:16; 6:27; Romans 1:7; I Timothy 1:1,2; 2:5,6; I Peter 1:3; Revelation 1:6*

Jesus Christ

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe Jesus Christ is God. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, and teachings. We believe in His substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension into heaven, perpetual intercession for His people, and personal visible return to earth. *Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38; John 1:1; 20:28; Romans 9:5; 8:46; II Corinthians 5:21; I Peter 2:21-23; John 20:30, 31; Matthew 20:28; Ephesians 1:4; Acts 1:11; Romans 5:6-8; 6:9,10; Hebrews 7:25; Hebrews 9:28; I Timothy 3:16*

The Holy Spirit

We believe in the person of the Holy Spirit who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower all who believe in Jesus Christ. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ, and that He is an abiding helper, teacher and guide. *John 14:16,17,26; 15:26,27; John 16:9-14; Romans 8:9; I Corinthians 3:16; 6:19; Galatians 5:22-26*

Man

We believe that all men by nature, choice and practice are sinners, but that "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." We believe, therefore, that those who repent of their sins and by faith receive Christ as Lord and Savior will rejoice forever in God's presence, and those who refuse to receive Christ as Lord and Savior will be forever separated from God. *John 3:14,16; 5:24; John 5:30; 7:13; 8:12; 10:26; Romans 9:22; II Thessalonians 1:9; Rev. 19:3,20; 20:10,14,15; 21:18; Psalm 51:7; Jeremiah 17:9; James 1:14; Romans 3:19; 5:19; Proverbs 28:13; I John 1:9; John 3:16; John 1:13; II Corinthians 5:17; Romans 8:1*

Eternal State

We believe in a literal Heaven, the eternal home of the redeemed. We believe Heaven to be the literal place where the saved will live forever in the eternal bliss and blessings of God. We believe in Hell, the Christ-less eternity for the lost, where there will be burning and tormenting for those without salvation, who have refused to receive the gospel and Jesus Christ as Lord. We believe that Hell, unbelievers, Satan and all the fallen angels shall be cast into the lake of fire to be tormented day and night forever and forever. *Matthew 13:41-43 Mark 9:43-48; Luke 16:19-24; John 14:2; 2 Corinthians 5:8; Revelation 21-22*

Salvation

We believe salvation involves the redemption of the whole man and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, justification, sanctification, and glorification. There is no salvation apart from personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord. *Genesis 3:15; Exodus 3:14-17; 6:2-8; Matthew 1:21; 4:17; 16:21-26; 27:22-28:6; Luke 1:68-69; 2:28-32; John 1:11-14,29; 3:3-21,36; 5:24; 10:9,28-29; 15:1-16; 17:17; Acts 2:21; 4:12; 15:11; 16:30-31; 17:30-31; 20:32; Romans 1:16-18; 2:4; 3:23-25; 4:3ff.; 5:8-10; 6:1-23; 8:1-18,29-39; 10:9-10,13; 13:11-14; I Corinthians 1:18,30; 6:19-20; 15:10; 2 Corinthians 5:17-20; Galatians 2:20; 3:13; 5:22-25; 6:15; Ephesians 1:7; 2:8-22; 4:11-16; Philippians 2:12-13; Colossians 1:9-22; 3:1ff.; I Thessalonians 5:23-24; 2 Timothy 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 2:1-3; 5:8-9; 9:24-28; 11:1-12:8,14; James 2:14-26; I Peter 1:2-23; 1 John 1:6-2:11; Revelation 3:20; 21:1-22:5.*

Baptism

We believe in baptism by immersion after salvation with no merit for salvation in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost (Spirit). We reject infant baptism and any form of sprinkling for infants or adults. Baptism is an outward expression of our faith in Jesus Christ and simply a public testimony of what God has done by His grace. Romans 6:1-5; Acts 8:36-38; Acts 2:41; Matthew 3:16; Matthew 28:19-20,24; John 14:2; 2 Corinthians 5:8; Revelation 21-22

The Church

We believe in the local church, consisting of a company of professing, born-again believers in Jesus Christ, immersed on a credible confession of faith, and associated for worship, work and fellowship. We believe that to those local churches we are committed, for perpetual observance of the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper, and that God has laid upon these churches the task of proclaiming to a lost world the acceptance of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and the enthroning of Him as Lord and Master. Its scriptural officers are pastors and deacons. While both men and women are gifted for service in the church, the office of pastor is limited to men as qualified by Scripture. Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:42; Romans 6:3-5; I Corinthians 11:23-26; Ephesians 2:19-22; Ephesians 5:19-21; 1 Timothy 2:9-14; 3:1-15; 4:14; Hebrews 10:23-25.

The Relationship between Church and State

We believe that every human being is responsible to God alone in all matters of faith; that each church is independent and autonomous and must be free from any ecclesiastical or political authority; therefore, Church and State must be kept separate as having different functions with each fulfilling its duties free from the dictation or patronage of the other. Matthew 22:21; Mark 12:17; Luke 20:25; Acts 5:29; I Timothy 2:5; Romans 13:1-7; 14:7-9,12

Spiritual Gifts

We believe that spiritual gifts are given to the church for the express purpose of winning the lost and edifying other believers. The Holy Spirit is given to each believer upon acceptance of Christ and His purpose is to exalt and bring people to Christ. Speaking in tongues was the least important of these gifts and was given as a sign for unbelieving Jews. That is why I do not teach or practice speaking in tongues. John 7:37-39; 14:17; Acts 2:38; 1 Corinthians 1:22; 3:16-17; 6:19-20; 12-14

Eternal Security

We believe in the eternal security of all blood-bought individuals or believers and that such inheritance is incorruptible, and undefiled, and that each believer is kept by the power of God and nothing can separate us from Him, ourselves included. We believe that believers can lose the joy of fellowship with God, can grieve God and can quench the Spirit of God in him or her, but not lose his/her salvation. John 3:16; 5:24; 6:37-39; 10:27-30; Romans 8:35-39; Philippians 1:6; Titus 1:2; 1 Peter 1:5; 1 John 5:11-13; Jude 24

World Evangelism

We believe that the apostolic office ceased with the death of the Apostles. We believe that it is His church that He promised continual existence, to continue the work He started until He comes again. We believe that the ministry of reconciliation is committed to every believer and all are saints/priests of God. The Lord Jesus Christ has commanded the preaching of the gospel to all nations. It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. Matthew 16:18; 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; John 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2 Corinthians 5:18-21; 1 Peter 2:9; Revelation 1:6; 5:10

Second Coming

We believe in the literal return of Jesus Christ to the clouds to take all saved people from the earth before the beginning of the Tribulation period. We believe in his bodily visible return with his saints at the close of the Tribulation period to rule and reign for a thousand years on earth. We believe that unbelievers will face God and be judged at the Great White Throne Judgment according to their works, not for salvation, but for their proper and rightful places in the lake of fire. I Thessalonians 4:13-18, Revelation 4:1, Matthew 16:27; Mark 14:62; John 14:3; Acts 1:11; Phil. 3:20; Thessalonians 4:15; II Timothy 4:1; Titus 2:13; I Corinthians 4:5; I Corinthians 15; II Thessalonians 1:7-10; Revelation 20:4-6,11-15

Biblical Separation

We believe that all the saved should live in such a manner as not to bring reproach upon their Savior and Lord; and that separation from all religious apostasy, all worldly and sinful pleasures, practices and associations is commanded of God. II Timothy 3:1-5; Romans 12:1-2, 14:13; I John 2:15-17; II John 9-11; II Corinthians 6:14-7:1

Ecumenicalism

We believe that doctrinal purity is essential to gospel harmony and that the Bible commands us to not associate ourselves with someone who is preaching another gospel, or teaching contrary to sound doctrine. Romans 16:17-18; II Corinthians 6:14-18; 11:1-4; Galatians 1:8-9; Ephesians 4:14-15; 5:11; Philippians 3:1-2; Colossians 2:8; II Thessalonians 3:14; I Timothy 1:3; 6:3-5; II Timothy 3:5,13; Titus 1:10-14; 3:9-11; II Peter 2:1-3; 3:17; 2 John 7-11; Jude 3; Revelation 2:2,6,14-16,20-23

Call to Missions and to China:

As I was reading Matthew 9:36-38 one day in 2014, I started praying to the Lord of the Harvest for laborers. I was thinking of younger men, however, God spoke to me very clearly, "Will you go?". I was caught off guard, however as I thought how good, gracious, and merciful He has been to me, I said, "Yes Lord, I will go". This was the first of many times the Lord made it clear to me He was calling me to go, not just send. Later that year we went to China and I knew this is where we would go. In this same year we took our oldest daughter to PCC for her second year, it was in the opening church services that the pastor was speaking on the life of Moses and he challenged us all that we need more preachers. I am sure the pastor was speaking to the young college students, however God was speaking and calling me to preach. I surrendered to preach at that time. Rebecca and I have a great church, live in a great place, and I had a great job that paid well, however I knew God was calling us to go. We continued to serve, learn and pray, until both Rebecca and I surrendered to go at the end of 2016. We are excited to use the gifts and abilities that God has given us to evangelize the lost, start churches and train men in China. Please see recommendations from our pastor and VBM director for qualifications.



Recommendations:

Dear Pastor,

God has given me the privilege of being Ty and Rebecca Pepperdine's pastor for over 7 years now! He has served as a deacon and an Adult Sunday School teacher for 3 years. Ty has also served as the director of our YokeFellow ministry which brought him into a very close relationship with our missionaries. God has prepared Ty and Rebecca for this work.



Ty has been a faithful witness and part of our outreach! He has been a great blessing to Vision. Ty and Rebecca are the kind of members every pastor loves to have. He loves Jesus. He loves his church. He serves in every way possible from the lowliest of jobs to being a highly respected spiritual leader in our church.

Rebecca is a godly wife and mother. She is a servant, ready to do whatever to bless others. She is one of the sweetest ladies you will ever meet. Ty and Rebecca are the heart and core of our church. Losing Ty and Rebecca to the mission field has cost our church and me! They have been a tremendous blessing to Vision Baptist Church. I never want to see anyone go to the mission field who doesn't cost the church to send them. Ty and Rebecca cost. That is a tremendous recommendation. We are not sending someone extra that was sitting on the pew, but a family greatly used of God in our church.

Ty and Rebecca will be serving as church planting missionaries in China. God has been preparing them for this for years now. They have been surrendered to God and His ministry in every way for a long time. It is time for them to go to the mission field and bless many others.

Ty is a man of character. He is hard working, diligent, faithful, and hungry to be used of God. Ty is taking a very big step now as he sets out to start deputation. Ty is leaving a very good paying job and all the security the world can offer. Rebecca's own testimony was that Ty has lost satisfaction that his job brought him. He dreams of God using him in China. He really wants his life to count and is sure this is what God has for them. China is in desperate need of church planting missionaries, the kind that really start churches! China is a field of English teachers but not so many plant churches. The need is great. The time is right. I ask you to help them hurry to the field.

I wanted to write to you and ask you to have Ty in. He will bless your church. He will do a good job in China. He is worthy of your support.

If you have any further questions about Ty, his character, dedication, preparation, or service please feel free to give me a call.

Yours to evangelize the world in our generation,
Austin Gardner
770-500-8021
Matthew 6:33

Dear Pastor:

What an honor it is to recommend to you my friend and Christian brother, Ty Pepperdine. He has served faithfully as a deacon of Vision Baptist Church and has been exemplary in his marriage, attitude and service at our church.

Although God had given him a good job, financial stability and many blessings, Ty believes that God wants him to serve as a missionary to China. When he made his announcement that he would be stepping out by faith to raise support for China, our church family was not shocked because Ty's heart exudes a love for God and spreading the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

I say with all sincerity that we are losing a great servant, and China is receiving one of our best. Ty is a man of integrity, excellent spirit and consistent, strong work ethic. Supporting the Pepperdine family would be a wise investment for your church.

Here to Serve,
Jeff Bush
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