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President's Perspective

a message from David H. Snyder · President · Baptist International Missions, Inc.

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Thank you for your faithful giving to missions. As you support missionaries, you are playing an integral part in the Gospel being spread around the world. The power of the Gospel is miraculous. Obviously, this is true when speaking about the spiritual reconciliation that takes place at salvation. However, here is a story given by Frank Denisi that demonstrates the power of the Gospel to bring about a family reconciliation.



Peter John, a young man on our church staff, is a teacher in our Bible college. When he was six months old, 27 years ago, his father walked out on their family. Consequently, he never knew his father and his whole family lost any connections with him, including hope of reconnecting. They assumed he had died since they had not heard from him or his relatives for the past 27 years. However, Peter John always prayed that if his father was still alive that he would know the Lord as Savior just as he had known the Lord. A few months ago, everything changed. A family member noticed on social media a man standing in the background who looked like an older version of Peter's father. They found out that it actually was him! They reconnected with him, and he told them, "I made a big mistake many years ago, but four years ago I was saved and became a Christian and I have been serving in this small Baptist church here in the province." They were all overjoyed to reunite! His father was even more thrilled to learn that they also were saved and serving in church and they were actually praying for him! A story that could have ended so bitterly was made sweet because of the reconciliation and the forgiveness found in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. His previously-abandoned family has now received him with open arms, and they share a sweet bond under the blood of Christ.

Thank you for supporting missionaries like Frank and Japhia Denisi who are faithfully serving in the Philippines. Stories like this encourage me in my missions giving and I trust that it has encouraged you as well. May the LORD richly bless you!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David H. Snyder".

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John 15:16