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Dear Prayer Partners and Ministry Supporters

We praise God for this exciting season of His work with Love China International! We are currently gearing up towards welcoming Brother Gao and his wife from China on our European 'The Grace Return' tour. This will be a follow-up to our UK 'Seeds of the Missionaries' tour held in November last year which was very well received by a number of host churches throughout England and Wales.

God has strategically placed communities of Chinese believers throughout the nations of Europe. This continent was for centuries the primary releasing point for thousands of missionaries into the nations of the world. For the last 100 years the forces of darkness have fought back against the Church of Europe through two World Wars, economic collapse, postmodern thinking, and humanistic political agendas. Now, while revivals are sweeping across every continent bringing millions into the Kingdom of God, Europe has gone from being the main sender of missionaries to one of the biggest receivers. What is now the largest church congregation in the United Kingdom, Kingsway International Christian Centre, is not pastored by an English seminary graduate, but by Matthew Ashimolowo, a Nigerian missionary.

Ecclesiastes 11:1 says, 'Cast your bread upon the waters, and after many days it will return to you.' Those nations which saw great revival come as a result of the sacrifice of European missionaries many years ago are now sending missionaries back into Europe! It is God's purpose that 'no flesh should glory in His presence' (1 Cor 1:29), and that no one nation or people group might stand before Him at the judgement seat of Christ and 'claim the credit' for evangelizing the nations. God is calling the 'first-fruits' of those early missionaries back into Europe to re-ignite the passion for mission and revival in the European Church!

China has seen incredible growth both politically and economically, but also spiritually. Whereas the number of Chinese Christians was in the thousands a century ago, now it is in the tens of millions. God has laid a responsibility on the Chinese Church to lead the way into evangelizing the unreached nations of the world, and also a responsibility to bless and support their brothers and sisters in the nations of Europe. Love China International exists to serve as a bridge between the Chinese Church and the world so that they may fulfil that calling.

In May and June we will be visiting churches in France, Germany, Holland and the UK. We are welcoming Brother Gao, a nationwide recognized leader of a network in the Chinese Church, carrying a spiritual impartation for the West. Our purpose is to bring Chinese believers together with indigenous believers in these countries to touch the throne of God together, and unite to fulfil the Great Commission our Lord Jesus gave to His Church. Having spent many years encouraging and building up the Chinese Church throughout Europe, we believe that the Holy Spirit is saying that now is the time for Chinese and Western believers to rise up together and 'hasten the Lord's coming' through fulfilling this mandate. At the same time we are seeking to build a wider partner base within the countries we are visiting to support the ongoing work of Love China International and the Back to Jerusalem Vision. Europe shall be a continent of missionary churches again!

We are asking you to join with us in prayer for Brother Gao and the Love China team as we lead up to this tour. Please pray for:

- Blessing on all of Brother Gao and his wife's travel arrangements – especially for safe arrival to Europe
- All the churches and venues we are ministering in – may God prepare the hearts of His people to receive everything He has for them from this tour
- Good health and blessing on the whole team and for the European travel arrangements – we know that we need God's supernatural grace to enable us to operate at our best over such a busy schedule
- Our contacts with God TV and Premier Radio who have shown an interest in broadcasting some of the meetings and interviews with Brother Gao – may God use these media channels to reach a much wider audience
- The distribution of the Xi'an to Zion film which is now available for purchase – may God use this film to connect us with Chinese and Western believers and stir them up for His calling!

If you are able to make it to any of the tour engagements then please come!

Thank you for partnering with us! Your prayers are the most important preparation we can receive for this tour. God will supply every need you are facing through His glorious riches in Christ!

All Blessings

The Love China Team