



**SAVED!** This month, we got to see our first seafarer trust the Lord as his Savior! We boarded a ship with a mixed asian crew and a tall middle aged man told me, "We are 37% Filipino, 62% Chinese, and 1% Taiwan.... I am de one percent." He smiled and we both laughed. With many hands on deck, I began distributing gospel tracts in the respective languages. As soon as the Taiwanese man understood what the tracts were he exploded with excitement and said, "You are christian? I am christian too!!!" I began talking with him about the Lord and he had a solid testimony of salvation! Then the Chinese Captain came aboard and saw the Chinese tracts and said, "Oh, Christian?" (Pointing to me) "Yes sir!" I replied. He said, "My mother has become a Christian and attends church in China." Then, Captain took the stack of Chinese gospel tracts and began distributing them to all the Chinese crew! Praise God! We offered to help the men by picking up some things for them from the store and they were ecstatic! Later that day, I returned with the items they requested and with all the men on deck, I could not pass up an opportunity to present the gospel one more time. Haylee and I were on our way down the gangway when a young Filipino man named **Nestor** grabbed my shoulder and said, "Please wait sir! Can you please pray for me? This is my very first time at sea and so far away from my family and I need God to help me." I asked him a few questions and then got right to the heart of the matter. Eternity... After witnessing to him for a while and explaining how God would like to save him and use him to preach the gospel to his own people, he hung his head and said, "God could never use me. (he began to weep) I was addicted to drugs three years and so my family sent me out to sea to try and help me." Taken back by the sincerity of his heart's cry, I then began to tell him about a man named Saul, a murderer of Christians, whom God saved and changed and used for his glory! Nestor hung on to every word and proceeded to tell me that he would like to be saved. I showed him several verses and explained one more time how to be saved. Then I left him to get alone and call on the Lord to save him.



After church that night, I came back to the Pier to follow up with Nestor and give him a good Bible and other resources. (Space and font size forbids me to tell of a wonderful conversation here with the security guard at the Pier gate. He was weeping at the gravity of the matter. Please also pray for Officer **R. Shepherd**) I asked Nestor if he had called upon the Lord to save him. "No sir... I did not know if I was going to do it right so I waited to speak with you again first." (This is why I am very careful not to lead men through a quick prayer) We spent the next 2 ½ hours in a small "Rope Room" with an open Bible going through the plan of salvation! This time he was sure of what he needed to do. So, at nearly midnight, I left the Pier and would pray for Nestor until I heard back from him. The next morning, I sent him a message, "Hello Nestor, did you get saved? Can I call you my brother now?" Later on, just before his ship departed, he had a moment to reply and he said, "Yes! I asked Jesus to save me from my sins!" **PRAISE THE LORD!!!!**

**OPPORTUNITIES** One of our missionaries to PNG (Eric Fair) boarded a ship with me while they were passing through and we got to have a full blown church service! Also, we witnessed to a young man from the country of **Bhutan**. (Please look up that country and see if the Lord doesn't burden your heart.)

**COUNTRIES** China, Taiwan, Philippines, India, Bhutan, Turkey, Ukraine, Russia, Greece, Germany.



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