

**CARING  
FOR  
CHINA**



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**圣诞节快乐! Sheng Dan Jie, Kuai Le!**

Literally, “Holy Birth Day – Be Happy! This season we celebrate with all our brothers and sisters throughout the world the holy birth that not only makes us happy, but gives us a joy that is never ending. It is out of this joy that **Caring For China** sends teachers, childcare specialists, and medical professionals to China to enter into the daily needs of their lives. It is why we send money to support the orphanages and staff – that the joy we know will be shared with those who don’t know it, but whom God loves nonetheless. We rejoice that hundreds of children we have cared for are now living with their ‘forever families’ all over the world and have themselves become messengers of God’s amazing love.

How many of us would love to visit China, but wouldn’t know where to start in planning the journey? On the reverse side of this letter are details of a trip being put together by one of **Caring For China**’s biggest supporting churches, Irvine Presbyterian, in Southern California, and a travel agency that has helped us in sending groups of teachers to China for the last several years. The \$1899 per person cost is all-inclusive – all air fare to China and back (from Los Angeles) and within China. All bus travel to cultural sites (and entry fees), tour guides, and meals are included. Accommodations will be at 4 & 5 star hotels, so very comfortable. The group will include **Caring For China** supporters from all over the country, so we will have much in common. If you are interested, please email me [jondietz@fssi-ca.com](mailto:jondietz@fssi-ca.com) and I’ll send you an application. My wife, Jennifer, and I will be leading the trip. Let me emphasize that although we will visit CFC managed orphanages on this trip, it is primarily a cultural trip, not a work trip. The pace will be very fast, and each day will be packed.

May the joy of Christmas shine through you,

Jon Dietz, President,  
Caring For China USA



Philip (from Shekinah Shalom) with his friend, Tricia

# 路行到中国

## Journey to the Middle Kingdom



Great Wall in winter



Hope Haven Orphanage



Forbidden City

Can you see yourself walking on the Great Wall of China? Sitting in the Imperial Garden where Ming Dynasty Emperors sat, surrounded by ancient trees and exotic architecture? Taking a boat ride on West Lake, a man-made lake that's over 2000 years old in one of the world's oldest 'resort cities'? Or watching as skilled craftsmen carve pieces of jade—one of nature's hardest stones – into beautiful pieces of art and jewelry? Perhaps you've been sponsoring a child with **Caring For China** and you'd like to see the orphanage where the child lives?

Irvine Presbyterian Church, in cooperation with **Caring For China** and CITSLINC tours, is sponsoring a 10-day, 9-night CHINA TOUR, leaving LAX on Thursday, April 13, and returning Saturday April 22, 2006. We will fly nonstop to Beijing where we will go to the Great Wall, tour the Forbidden City, visit the Temple of Heaven, and stand in Tien An Men Square. Then we will fly to Xi'an to visit Caring For China's Orphanages, and also see the world's largest archeological site where Qin Shih Huang-di's tomb with the famous Terra Cotta Soldiers were buried. Then it's on to Hangzhou, where West Lake is located. Finally, we will go to Shanghai, one of the world's most cosmopolitan cities, and world renown for shopping. We fly directly back to LAX on our last day.

The cost is incredibly low, \$1899, especially when you consider that all the meals, all the hotels (4 & 5 star), all the transportation, all the entrance fees, and all the entertainment (acrobats or Beijing Opera), is included. We will try to receive permission to attend a Church for Easter Services. Everyone will travel on the same plane, and in air-conditioned buses together. You don't speak Chinese? Don't worry. They don't speak English either! Translators will be provided. You will need a current passport and valid visa.