

LIGHT OF THE WORLD MINISTRIES, Inc.
LIGHT OF THE WORLD BALLET

CHINA REPORT

June 7-19, 2009

Our team of seven arrived in Beijing and then flew on to the very center of China to **Lanzhou**, the capital of Gansu province.

It was from this city of 3.5 million people that LIGHT OF THE WORLD BALLET received an official invitation, through a Christian business person, to perform in a 5-day national investment and trade fair. This allowed us business visas. We were the only American delegation and the only foreign performers.



Breanne, Anna, Ashley, Dave, Pat, Amber, Rachel

Upon our arrival, cancellations of some of our venue took place which is not unusual in the confusion of communist countries. But God gave us a word to **“wait and see”**. After much spiritual warfare, there was a huge breakthrough.



Team in front of Welcome sign at Lanzhou Airport

Here is a summary of the highlights:

Opening Day Ceremony, Dave and Ashley were invited to stand on the VIP platform. As we watched, standing among the vast crowd of Chinese, our group stuck out and became surrounded by press and photographers clamoring to get our photos during the ceremony. This attention may have brought favor. An article appeared in the newspaper.

We had **three afternoons with the Gansu Drama and Dance Boarding School** including a performance and a master class teaching a *Christian* dance. The team had time to make relationship with the precious students.



Rachel, Anna, Amber and Ashley talk with students

We left the school a CD of our Christian music with a clear message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We felt this time with the students was very profitable.



Breanne laughs with young dancers

There were **two sessions with professors and Directors of Dance Arts at Lanzhou Northwest University**. There



Ashley talking with professors.

was a cultural exchange where we performed our Christian repertoire. Relationships were readily made between teachers and our dancers. Their directors were clearly thrilled having watched everything closely and taping all we did.

At another university, **Lanzhou University Technical Institute**, 800 incredibly enthusiastic college students eagerly welcomed the team. Ashley encouraged, “....there is someone who cares and that is Jesus.”

Our two major final highlights: A 1½ hour formal performance in the **government City Hall Auditorium** to 750 people including some government officials. Christ’s name was proclaimed and honored throughout the whole performance in this communist building. It brought chills to us all that God gave us such a privilege. Also present were two house churches that were encouraged.



Performance at Lanzhou University Technical Institute

And, the finale – our 25 year old translator who was with us day and night for 7 days received Jesus Christ as his Savior on our final day in Lanzhou!

Our host gave us a Farewell Dinner in her apartment. We presented her with an American flag which she hung next to the China flag. Other Chinese Christian business people came and we fellowshiped. They joyfully sang hymns and praised the Lord in Chinese. We all shared in a time of prayer.

A Light shined brightly in the center of China. We know a work of seed planting was done to encourage the Chinese Christians and help perpetuate His Name. Our team worked hard, gracefully dancing even with breathing difficulties because of the altitude, but always firm in their commitment to proclaim our Lord. We all feel very blessed that the mission He sent us on in China was accomplished. He is faithful. **Thank you for your prayers!**



City Hall Auditorium Performance

In the Light of Jesus

Dave and Pat Rollinson, Mission Leaders
Ashley Rollinson, Performance Director