



Innovative Energy for Asia

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MV's Asian Adventures

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First Shipment Arriving



The miracle we've been waiting for is on the way! The towers will arrive in two 40-ft. containers March 9 and then may take up to a week to process them through customs. We will transport them from the port to the mountain and then use a crane to unload them from the trucks to their new home. So next week we will be inside N.K. to meet the towers and make sure of their safe passage to the mountaintop.

Our time in N.K. over the last two months has been difficult. There are challenges that hit us out of nowhere but we see very clearly that our perseverance is making a difference in our relationships and in the progression of our project. Our counterparts still doubt that this project will come to fruition. We on the other hand don't have doubts, but are learning patience.

Things are progressing much slower than we expected and we feel like we are squeezed on both sides between the U.S. and N.K. Despite the many delays we have been able to turn what some might see as "it's time to give up" into time to make sure we are well prepared when everything actually happens. Recent holidays in N.K. precluded us from connecting with our counterparts for three weeks. Therefore some work started on the mountaintop without our approval or signing of a contract, and was more expensive than expected. Nonetheless the work had to begin because we knew the towers would be arriving.

Situations like this are more common than not so it's hard to be angry or frustrated. It's the way things work, and we step delicately among the thorns. We now have land cleared on the mountaintop for four containers in view of the guard/control house and will have more land cleared to place more containers by next week.

While all the holidays were going on, we had a wonderful retreat with our team. There were 12 of us. Another two of our team mates are in the U.S. getting operation and maintenance training on the turbines, and we look forward to their joining us this Spring when the turbines arrive. We said goodbye to a couple of team members and blessed them as they have gone on to new adventures. Thus we are believing for quality replacements for them!

Praises For

- the arrival of the towers to NK port on March 2; YIPPEE!!!!!!
- a wonderful time of getting to know our wind power team over the last two months;
- His faithfulness and guiding hand in our project
- great birthday celebrations
- a safe and fantastic time of holiday travels

Prayer For

- the guys refurbishing our turbines in particular for the controllers which are key but also the trickiest part of the process
- our time inside next week as we receive the tower containers and deliver them to the mountaintop
- our NK counterparts in trying to fulfill their commitment to installing the transmission line, especially as the planting season is quickly upon us
- the leaders of NK
- more committed people to join our team

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