



“When my husband and I came to Minnesota, we received help from the Hospitality Center of Chinese. When we moved to our apartment, we had nothing. HCC provided us with free furniture, such as a bed, computer desk, and chairs, which are very necessary for us. They invited us to their Friendship Meal where I met many new friends and learned more about American culture. By hearing Christian testimonies, I knew more about the Christian faith.

“Before coming here, I had never heard about Jesus. The only thing I knew about Christianity was that it is a western religion. I was an atheist because I did not hear any arguments against evolution or arguments for a possible God.

“I was confused about faith because I could not see God in my life, but I started to pray and hoped the God could

give me His answer. *As I learned more about the Bible, I understood more about the love I received from so many Christians.*

“Yes, I cannot see God with my eyes, but I can feel God. I realized that the love I received is from Jesus. I cannot control everything in my own life, but I can receive joy from Christ all the time no matter what. I know that materials cannot give me lasting happiness. I decided to confess my sin and let Jesus direct my future life.

“I would like to thank all the people at HCC who God used to direct me to His way. There are many other Chinese students at the University of Minnesota who, like me, come from an atheistic background. They need to know Christ. Thank you for caring about me and my Chinese brothers and sisters.”

Mengyao Chen (name changed to protect her identity)

