



On The Road Again in Taiwan





Taiwan, officially the Republic of China (ROC), is a state in East Asia. Neighbors include the People's Republic of China (PRC) to the west, Japan to the northeast, and the Philippines to the south.

Taiwan is the most populous non-UN state and

the largest economy outside the UN.





The cultures of Taiwan are a hybrid blend of traditional Chinese, Japanese, traditional and increasingly Western values, making Taiwan is soft

landing for us.



Geo Park day park trip





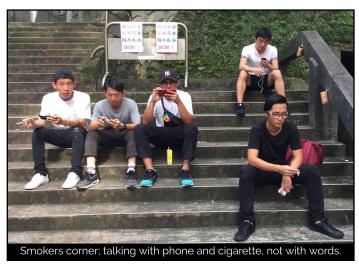




Thanks to the English Department, who provided our Guest Lecturer apartment. Living on Campus allowed us the opportunity to develop student and staff relationships outside the classroom. Our door was always open for one-on-one or group conversations, sometimes with a pizza party!



Alan Alagata, our friend and English teacher, introduced us to SCU in 2013. Jennifer, extended the invitation from the English Department, and has graciously supported us ever since. Professor Wang, the current English Department Head, invited us to return next year.



Ellis, Teacher Assistant

Ellis, English Dept. T.A., took care of class schedules and all our campus needs.

We observe throughout the world, damaged face-to-face communications, when people favor spending time



communicating with their mobile phone. "Pathway for Life" includes building healthy relationships by improving communication skills – listening, asking questions and sharing with heart.



PATHWAY FOR LIFE IN TAIWAN





We use the Traditional Chinese Character around the world to help students improve communication skills with effective listening.



Relationship Chart – This chart shows the fruit of a workshop on Healthy Relationships – they know what to look for and how to develop them.



Japanese language majors with their professor came for a party too.



Pizza Party in our apartment with group from our Wednesday class.



Students are deep in thought as they engage in a workshop lesson, before discussing with one another.



We conclude each lesson with a personal story from our lives, which applies to the lesson. Here, Gay is sharing her story - "If you don't dream, they can't come true".





Gay shares her "Candle Talk" at Closing ceremony.



LIFE IS ALL ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS





Dinner and city tour with Professors Amy & Peter



Entrepreneur and Teacher from Swaziland) Tivamile made Taiwan her home



Brad & Amy hosted a delightful dinner near their mountaintop home





Julie & Steve - Canadian Expats, 10 years, Taipei American School



Hot pot with student Scott



Pastor Peter & Bo - Taipei International Church



Girls Day Out in the mountain village of Yingge - Cynthia, Julie, Gay & Shawn

Thank God for the gift of wonderful family and friends, who share life in meaningful, healthy relationships. Traveling the world since 2011, we have developed many new friendships; a few have become more like family.

Steve and Julie, and the Alagata family have become our Taiwan family as we share lives as brothers and sisters for the month of October. We first met in 2011.

Friendship with Steve and Julie began with a warm welcome to the Taipei International Church and invitation to lunch where we discovered our Canadian connection. The friendship grew as we enjoyed sharing time, life stories, exploring the area, and great meals. We will be forever family.

Alagata's grew up in Southern California and moved to Taipei shortly after they were married. Alan is our host connection to Soochow U., while Lovely has the gift of joyous hospitality with a heart for service. She loves shopping Costco with us, while giving or lending us anything from her home to save us from purchasing. She introduced us to local bargains, like Ray's hair salon.



Rain did not keep us from the best coffee in Taiwan. Ray & Steve parked the car in the rain while Julie & I held seats. A full day outlying to the north coast.