

A COMMUNICATION FROM HANS SCHMITTHENNER

Hi all, I hope you can see this nice picture of a short but sweet reunion of the two patriarchs, Eric Reble and Sam Schmitthenner. In the picture is Eric, Peter, Peter's daughter Rhea (same age as our Joey), Patricia (Putzel) Nabert Bruce, and Jane.

The two missionaries reminisced about many things and had a great time. Both had trouble staying awake at times...and trouble remembering some things....but all in all I noticed their memories of people and places were sharp and that is going way back. Eric remembered an incredible number of student and staff names this morning and when I started the first name he would end it...like when I saw "Lorin..." Lorin Hunt, an amazing musician and stage director...how is he doing?" Bob Cole....Bob Coleman and Mary Lowry Coleman....how are they?

Eric described many families as "wonderful" including the Kolumban family from India days and had fine things to say about Mr. Leuders and Ed and Joan Nabert the Krauses and many other persons. He had a beautiful painting on the wall next to his bed of a scene of Perumal from Coaker's walk (or somewhere near there) with clouds wrapping the mountains below...one of the most beautiful paintings I ever saw...and told me the story of purchasing it and recalled everything about it. I told Eric how much I admired his wife Jean Reble and how wonderful it was that my Mom and her wrote the cook-book together. "Indian Dishes We Like" he chimed in.....all in all it was a great visit and it was sad to leave....but here is hoping we can do it again sometime !

Hans S.





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