
THAILAND GOSPEL TELEGRAM

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"In the same way, when you have done all that you have been told to do, we are ordinary servants; we have only done our duty." Luke 17:10

Friends as all of you may know Thailand had a coup, the reason for this coup is because our government was full of corruption and the country was in turmoil. Starting from October 2013 there has been wide spread protest from the people for the government to step down, since the protest 20 people have been killed. In the end with all the protests and negotiations, nothing could be agreed upon and a way out for Thailand could not be found. This is why the coup had to happen the military has stepped in to restore order and reform to the country. Despite the coup daily life in Thailand is largely unaffected, we are able to worship freely and do all the things we use to do when there was no coup. Friends please pray with us that this coup will reform our country for the better.

News from the Churches

In March 23-28 a mission team from Singapore of 19 people came to Mae Gone village. We held a Bible conference and medical mission as well. We divided the Bible conference into adults, youths and children,



Bible Conference adults lesson

this year the Bible conference for the adults focused on the book of Ephesians. The lessons were held in the morning and in the afternoon we had medical mission where we invited people from around the area to come and do health check-ups, in this way we hope



Bible conference children and youth lesson



Medical mission in the afternoon

that the people and the villagers who come will experience the Love of God. We thank God that on the last day of the Bible conference two people accepted Christ and were baptized. One was an elderly Lahu man of 64 years and the other was a Shan lady of 44 years. We would like to thank the mission team from Singapore for your co-labor in the ministry.



Baptism of new believers

Mae Pan village

Mae Pan village is a new Lahu village that we are now currently ministering in. This is a medium sized village with around 30 families. There are now 9 believers in this village. There is now a need for an evangelist or a minister to stay in this village and shepherd the new believers. Please pray with us for there to be a suitable minister or evangelist that will be called to serve in this village.

Please keep this village and the believers of this village in your prayers.

Pa Bong Klang church



The new Parsonage

Minister Ja Jo has retired from Pa Bong Klang Church, we thank God that we now have a new minister for Pa Bong Klang Church. The new minister is named Ja yae and his wife is named Na ka bow. Both Ja yae and his wife are graduates of a Bible college. On the first day that the minister and his wife moved to Pa Bong Klang village there was a very powerful storm. The storm was so powerful that it destroyed the parsonage and the houses of some church members as well. We thank God that through your generous contributions the houses of the church members and the parsonage have since been repaired and rebuilt. Please continue to pray for minister Ja yae and his wife as they serve in Pa Bong Klang village.



New roof for the damaged houses at Pa Bong Klang village



Rebuilding of damaged houses



Abel delivering the message for anniversary service

Nong kio Church



Anniversary service at Nong Khio

On the 11-12th of July Nong Khio had their 14th year Church anniversary serving in our ministry. We thank God that there were over 200 people who came to attend the anniversary service. We also praise God that this church is continuing to expand there is always never enough seats for all the church members on Sunday. We made plans to extend Nong Khio church the total cost for the project is S \$2400, we have now managed to raise S\$1600 please continue to pray for this church as it continues to grow and for the project to extend the church.

Suk Jai Children's Home

By God's grace the children at the orphanage are doing well. God has been good and merciful as our children continue to grow. The children have started their new school term for about a month now.



All the children from Suk Jai children's home

Friends as some of you may already now 2 children from the orphanage have just recently left 1 boy and 1 girl. The boy who left is Teerasak, Teerasak secretly left the orphanage without telling anyone but shortly after he left we found out that he went back to his village of Nong Khio, it was obviously against the rules to just leave without telling anyone but we still gave Teerasak a chance and asked that he come back to Suk Jai. In the end Teerasak would not come back so we had to let him go. He is now staying with the Pastor of Nong Khio village who is his uncle, and will continue his education there.

As for the girl who left Tanisorn or Leah, her grandparents came to us and asked for our permission to take their granddaughter back, they said that they miss her very much and that they are now able to care for her because their financial situation has gotten better. We were confident that they were able to care for Leah so we let her go. We are also happy that she is back with her grandparents because it is better for a child to grow up with family.

For this new school term we have 3 new children joining us at the orphanage. Their names and ages are Nop pa korn 5, Mary 7 and Ban Jong 7; all 3 children are in Kindergarten. Please pray for the 3 new children as they begin their lives with the other children and for them to be able to adapt well to both life at the orphanage and life at school.



The 3 new members to Suk Jai (left) Ban Jong, (middle) Nop pa korn and (right) Mary

Our three older children Na Dong, Surachai and Hae na ree are in Bible school. The three of them are doing well. Na Dong is our oldest she is now in her second year of Bible college and university, Surachai is also in his second year of Bible school, as for Hae na ree he just started this year and so he is in the first year. Please keep the three of them in your prayers.



Su ra chai

Hae na ree



Na dong teaching the Thai alphabet to the Children at Suk jai Children Home during Summer break

Last year while plowing the rice field for the orphanage our iron buffalo had a technical failure with it's breaks and so fell off a cliff and was badly damaged because it was unable to stop. We thank God that the operator of the iron buffalo only had minor injuries after the accident. We thank you the contributors for your contributions in the budget for fixing the iron buffalo. It is now the rice planting season and we have just started plowing the fields. We would like to thank you all for your support, prayers and your contributions in the Suk Jai ministry.



Iron buffalo after repairs



The orphanage table after being fixed

Pang kwai Church

The church in Pang Kwai is doing well, We praise God that God has been working in the Pang Kwai village area. There is another village that is right beside Pang Kwai village, this village is a village of non believers and the head man of this village does not like Christians. Despite this we thank God that He has touch the heart of this headman's wife, she is now interested in getting to know Christ and regularly attends service at Pang Kwai church. Please keep her in your prayers so that she will accept Christ and be able to extend God's love to her husband and to her village.



Plowing orphanage's rice field



The orphanage's rice field after just finishing planting rice



The 7 children that you are sponsoring

There are now 7 children in all that you are supporting at Pang Kwai village, the oldest girl the girl in the Purple shirt has finished grade 9 and has continued her studies at Vocational school, this year will be her second year she is studying accounting. The rest of the children are all still in kindergarten and secondary school.



Som pong

Bible College, he has one more year left before he graduates. Thank you so much for helping the children of Pang Kwai village please now that your support of these children was not in vain. Please remember to keep the church and the children of Pang Kwai in your prayers.

Family news

Our family is doing well, Ruth and I are in good health but we have been quite busy with taking care of our parents as of late. Ruth's father has kidney problems and now has to do a daily dialysis. My mother has been in and out of the hospital lately also due to infections in the kidney. However, we thank God that God has been good to our parents they are now doing better, Ruth's father is now able to walk and do the things he used to do, my mother is out of the hospital and she too is doing better. My father on the other hand is physically healthy

but he has mild dementia and is quite forgetful.

Mark our eldest son is getting ready for seminary his term will start in August, in the mean while he is still helping me work and will continue to do so throughout seminary.



Mark

Luke

We thank God that Luke is also back with us this summer. His new school term will start in September. Friends we would like to sincerely thank all of you for prayers and for your support of our family and for God's ministry in Thailand. Your friendship and your co-labor is truly a valuable asset for God's ministry in Thailand. Please continue to keep us and the ministry in your prayers.