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# THAILAND GOSPEL TELEGRAM

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It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known, so that I would not be building on someone else's foundation. Romans 15:20

In the Last month the pollution in Chiang Mai was very bad, pollution levels were so bad that it was deemed dangerous to stay outside without wearing face masks. We were very concerned for the children's health and for our health. We needed rain very much and we prayed for God to send some much need rain to clear the pollution that was over us. Finally Last week our prayers were answered and it rained quite heavily and now the pollution is gone. This reminded me of Psalm 34:17 which says "The eyes of the Lord are towards the righteous and His ears are open to their cry"

## Orphanage

The children are now one summer vacation; We thank God and all of you for your support of the orphanage. The children have got their exam results and the results are satisfactory, all the children passed and will all be moving up to the next grade. Their schools will resume again in mid-May. This year we will have 3 children who will be studying in their

last year of high school, and 3 more who will begin to study in high school. The 2 oldest were are in Bible college and university are also doing well too, please continue to keep these children in your prayers as they are beginning to grow more and more into their teenage years as we know these are the years in which the children will go through a lot of changes. Please pray that they children will continue to grow in faith and that they will become men and women of God when they grow up.



Mission team worshipping with Lahu believers

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of January to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February, a mission team from the United States came to visit us. In the morning we had the chance to bring the team to various villages that we minister in and the team encouraged and prayed for the villagers. In the afternoon the

mission team taught the Bible and had activities with the children at the orphanage



Children's craft time

and the children in the village. We would like to thank the mission team for the help in purchasing 12 pigs which will sustain the children with meat for the rest of this year.



Bonnie purchasing 12 pigs for the children

In the last 2 months we have also constructed a driveway and a walkway at the orphanage, the purpose of this project is to make it easier for the children to travel in and around the area because usually during the Monsoon season there is a lot of mud after it rains. The total cost for the driveway and walkway project is \$2,622



Drive way and walk way



Remodeling of the old church

At the same time we have also begun the remodeling of the old church building at Mae Gone village to a multipurpose building, but we have not yet finished with the remodeling. We would once again like to thank the mission team and brothers and sisters in Christ who have helped with the contribution of these two projects. We have now used \$4,654 for this project. Please continue to pray for this project as we are now short on budget we need about \$1,887 to finish the remodeling project



Worship on the last night of Conference

In this month on the 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup> we held a Bible conference at Mae Gone village, a mission team from Singapore also came to help with the Bible conference. At the Bible conference we had lessons for adults, youths and children. In the morning there were Bible lessons, and in the afternoon we had medical mission. We praise God that on the last day of the conference 8 people were baptized, 4 of which were our children from the



orphanage. The other 4 were from various villages. Please continue to pray for these new believers so that they will learn to trust in God and to grow in faith.



the children's class



The eight people who were baptized

### Family News

We thank God that we are all doing well, even though the air was bad in the last month we did not have any health problems. We really thank God for the rains and that the pollution has been cleared up. As some of you may know my oldest son Mark is now studying in Seminary and will soon be completing his first year this coming April, thank you so much for your prayers for him, I trust that God will use him to further His kingdom here in Thailand. My youngest son Luke is doing well he is now in his third year of college. My wife Ruth is still busy looking after her father, we thank God that her father is doing much better he is now able to take walks by himself without any supports. We thank you for your prayers for Ruth's father, we know that God listens to our prayers.



Abel translates for 2 doctors



Baptism of new believers



Ruth cooking for the people