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# THAILAND GOSPEL TELEGRAM

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Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

November and December are always extra busy months for us as I am sure they are for you. In addition to our normal duties, we are also involved in church festivities at the different churches. Lahu Christians celebrate the New Rice Thanksgiving festival from the last week of September to the first week of December. This festival is similar to American Thanksgiving, but because the Lahu culture is a collective culture this event is not only a private family event but more of a communal event that is celebrated as a Church family event, Christians come together to cook, sing, worship, and give thanks to God for the provisions that He provides. Our children at the orphanage and my family are always invited to attend and participate in the New Rice Thanksgiving festivals in many of the different churches. When our children from the orphanage go and attend these festivals they sing at the service as a way of encouraging the other believers.

The New Rice Thanksgiving is also a time where we invite the rest of the community

who are mainly non Christians around the area of each of the churches to come. In doing so we are sharing not only our food with them but also the gospel.



Abel speaking at Thanksgiving service



Our children singing at New Rice Thanksgiving service

ministry. We thank you once again for all your support and prayers.



**Abel speaking at Christmas service**



**Pa Sak Church dedication service**



**Christmas eve service**



**Children playing games on Christmas**



**Pa Sak Church members**

## **Nong Khio Church**

It has now been 16 years since we ministered at Nong Khio Church. In the past 16 years we thank God that the church at Nong Khio has bore fruit and has grown significantly making the original church building that we built 16 years ago too small to accommodate the congregation that comes to worship on Sundays. Nong Khio Church now has plans to build a new and bigger church building, they have set up a project budget of \$20,000 for this and have begun to raise funds for this project now for some time but it seems they have yet to reach this budget goal. Brothers and Sisters please keep this church in your prayers that they will be able to raise enough money to build their new church building.

In a similar fashion in December when Christmas is celebrated we too do the same, we invite the rest of the community to come and attend the Christmas service and after the service we have fun games and activities for them and like Thanksgiving the rest of the community not only gets to eat and have fun but what is most important is that they also get to hear the Good news.

As a direct result of your support both in finances and prayers on December 12, 2017 Pa Sak Church building was completed and dedicated to God. Pa Sak Church is our newest church and the 9<sup>th</sup> church in our



**Church service at Nong Khio Church**

## Orphanage



**The children at the orphanage**

In the last year 2 children left the orphanage, the 2 that left are twins and were studying in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. The reason for leaving was because they had violated the rules of the orphanage many times, and in those times Ruth and I and the house parents have rebuked them but at the same time have given them many chances to better themselves as well. In the end both of them decided that they could not abide by the rules of the orphanage and both of them decided to leave. Before leaving we encouraged them to continue studying since they were so close to finishing the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. They are now both currently staying with their older sister and are both continuing to study at the school.

Also in the last year, we thank God our oldest at the orphanage named Na Dong now a young lady has completed her Bible college and university education. Na Dong was



**Na dong**

studying a dual degree program and so in completing her education she now has a Bachelor's (BA) and Bachelor's of Theology (B.TH) degree. After she graduated we have given her the freedom to choose what she wanted to do next. Two weeks ago she told Ruth and I that she wanted to come back and help at the orphanage, Ruth and I were very delighted to hear that she wanted to come back and help look after the children. This is the fruit of our partnership and we thank you and thank God for this.



**Pi ya**

**Ma seh**

**A mee saw**

In 2018 this year we will have 3 teenagers who will be finishing high school, 1 boy and 2 girls. The boy's name is Pi ya and he will be continuing his education at a physical education college. His program is a 4 year program and after 4 years he will have a Bachelor's degree. The two girls are Ma seh and A mee saw both of them will be going to a nurse aid school and their course is a 6 month course which after 6 months they will be eligible to work in hospitals as a nurse's helper. Please continue to pray for these teenagers as they move on into their next step in life and that they will have the support needed to complete their education.



**Su ra chai Na seh A ru nee**

We still have 3 teenagers that are studying in Bible College, 1 young man named Su ra chai, who has just finished his 1<sup>st</sup> year and will be moving on to the 2<sup>nd</sup> year and 2 young ladies A ru nee and Na she who have completed their 2<sup>nd</sup> year and moving on to the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. As a result of your support of the children through both your prayers and finances the children of Suk Jai have an opportunity for a better life, an education as well as a chance to know about the love of Jesus Christ. Please continue to keep all the children in your prayers

Also in this year we will have 4 new children coming to the orphanage 2 boys and 2 girls. We will give you the details of these new children when they come to the orphanage and whoever is interested in sponsoring any one of them please let us know.



**House parents family**

## House parent's residence



**House Parent's new residence under construction**



**Inside of the house parents residence**

As we have already mentioned and notified you in the past we are currently in the process of building a new residence for the house parents at the orphanage. This family has been with us since we opened the orphanage, they have been living in a single bedroom and sharing this single bedroom with 3 of their children, as their children grow this single room will become ever more crowded and difficult for the 3 of them to share and live in. We believe that it is now the appropriate time to build a new residence for them and their children. The new house we are building for them will be located beside the orphanage building and is a 1 story building with 2 bedrooms, 1 living room and 1 bathroom. We have already completed around 85% of the building. We have prayed and planned to dedicate this new house parent's residence on the 19th of March. Brothers and Sisters please pray with us that we can finish with the construction of this building as planned without any difficulties or delays.