

Grace to Thailand Prayer Letter

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Happy anniversary to my wonderful wife and best friend! Neither of us had any idea that one day we would be laboring together on the other side of the world. How I thank the Lord for her sacrificial love and patience over these 45 years! I don't know what I would do without her.

We have wheels! As many of you know, we have had transportation needs. Thank you to those who sent special gifts that allowed us to purchase a 2005 Nissan Frontier for a second vehicle and another motorcycle. The Nissan is older and has a lot of rattles, but though it needs some maintenance, it will do the job and is a great blessing. This is particularly true when I am gone to Preachers' Training. William can now drive it to transport the children to school and Susan to the store, etc.

The right land? We are cautiously optimistic that it is so! Please continue to pray with us about having our own land where we can carry out all the ministries the Lord has given us. We are not very welcome in the neighborhood where we now rent and cannot do a lot of the ministries here. We also are not very accessible to the people to whom we are ministering. We have found a piece of property which seems to fit our situation and with the best price yet. As I have mentioned in the past land is very expensive here. It would take all of our present land savings to buy this property. Then we would need to build. We will be checking more into it this next week. Do pray with us about this!



The 2005 Nissan Frontier



Land we are praying about



Preachers at PT in May

We had a great week at Preachers' Training last week. These men are a joy to be around. Pray for them as the many pastors seek to be faithful to the Lord in feeding their flocks. This past month we dealt with the absolute Lordship of Christ and the autonomy and independency of the church under Him with His Word as our final authority. We also reviewed Romans 1:1-5:11. It is a thrill to hear of how some of these men are carrying the Gospel to new villages as evangelists sent out by their churches. It is also a joy to hear how they are training other men for the work of the ministry.

Rusty was a great asset again this past month at Preachers' Training. He taught English (with his Aussie accent), and was a great encouragement to the men and to me.

The children are back in school now and settling into their studies. Four of the younger kids still attend the local Thai school while our homeschool class has grown to three students. Andy has joined Moses and Nora in studying with Susan and attending tutoring in Thai reading and math. These three also attend the Thai informal school one day a week, working toward their high school diploma. They all are doing well and Andy is forging ahead quickly in his English curriculum.

William, our first high school graduate, is attending Payap University now, majoring in English. He is already translating for me when Thai is needed, and we think he has a great future ahead as a translator.

Meanwhile, we are on the road most Sundays visiting the villages. It is a privilege to be able to bring the glorious Gospel to these precious people living in such remote places.

Please pray for our pastor's wife, Janice Lee. She is having a heart cauterization procedure next week to correct an irregular heart rhythm. We are asking the Lord for safety and complete recovery. She is a great asset to our church and has been a blessing to this ministry in Thailand.

Thank you again for the special gifts that enabled us to go back to America for my mother's funeral. We are also grateful for the education fund donations that allow William to attend the university and the children to get the best education we can give them. Last, but not least, we thank you again for the donations for the truck and motorcycle. May the Lord bless you! For Christ count everything but loss... Bro. Paul

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Regular Support: \$11,733.15 + 2,500.00 special gift

Land fund: \$111,500 Children's Ed Fund: \$9,542.74 – 679.56 =

Veh.: \$1,562.50 + 3,481.13 – 5,044.13 = 0 (2005 Nissan & 2006 motorcycle)

1,045.50	Food (for children and guests)	259.63	Ministry to needy
254.63	Medical help with medicine	872.84	Children's needs
1,294.48	Fuel & Travel, Repair & Maintenance on vehicles	108.51	Postage & Office Nds
617.40	Children's yearly dental (9 of them)		
325.02	Utilities, water, tel & internet		
504.44	Household needs & maintenance		
205.95	Rent of meeting room and office		
291.67	Salary for cook		
571.43	Secretarial		
886.16	Our medical needs		
447.01	Rent of living facilities		
949.37	Interp & Translation Work		
2,750.23	Preachers' Training		
1,405.69	Salary for Susan & Me		
1,094.31	Insurance & retirement fund		