

Grace to Thailand Prayer Letter

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“Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.”
(Psalm 86:11).

This is not only my prayer for myself, but also for the preachers that I have the privilege of teaching each month. Thank the Lord that He not only gives us a hunger to know His Word, but also a desire to walk in it.

We had a good week this month with 28 men from Thailand and Myanmar. We have been teaching the book of Romans now for some months. Romans is so important as we have so many doctrinal foundations laid out for us. Pray for these men that the Lord will grip their hearts with the truth.

We reviewed Romans 1-6 and then went on to study Romans 7:1-8:17. We meet each day from about 8:30 a.m. until about 4:50 p.m. with 4 classes of doctrine, plus one of English singing and one of English language.



This is a panoramic view of the land in Mae Sao.

LaHu & LiSu preachers with Rusty and me.

We are very thankful to have this place to meet, but we are looking forward to the time when we can move to a more permanent structure with a concrete floor where we won't be standing and sitting in water.

Most of the village churches seem to be doing very well. Yet, there are a few that are still being threatened and under some oppression. We are continuing to deal with the one that we reported about last month. There are many legal ramifications for these people who were being oppressed and threatened to be moved off of their land. Please pray that the Lord would deliver these and all the people from this oppressor.

Also continue to pray with us about the land that we are purchasing. As we reported in the last prayer letter we have made the down payment, but now the purchase must go

through many steps in order to be approved by the government. Susan and I took a day to travel up and scout out the area around the land this past week. We are so excited about the opportunities that seem to be ahead with the 20 LaHu villages nearby. Pray with us about the remainder of the property that we did not have the money to buy and for the finances to build. We need wisdom as we navigate the unfamiliar Thai legal system and for planning the building. We are asking the Lord for the right builders, and for the finances we need.

We are very excited about the educational progress of our children. They are all speaking and reading English well. Three of them were involved in contests with 60 other students from many schools. Bang took 1st place in computer, Molly took 2nd place in project presentation, and Jay took 4th place in math competition. We are so proud of them. And we are thankful to Denise Johnson for her help with the children and their education.

Also pray for my dear interpreter who has a blocked valve in his heart. He is continuing to labor with me, but at a very weakened pace. He will be evaluated again concerning open-heart surgery in mid-October.

As always, we appreciate the prayers and gifts of our faithful co-laborers at home. Thank you for being used of the Lord to keep us here, serving Him. May the Lord bless you! For Christ count everything but loss... Brother Paul

Financial Support for August, 2018

Regular Support: \$12,688.82

Land fund: We paid 20% down on the land (\$21,515.00). We still owe about \$87,000.00 (depending on the exchange rate). We then will need the money to drill a well, design and build the buildings. After the payoff amount we have about \$15,000.00 toward these expenses as of today. Thank you again for your sacrificial giving.

Higher Education Fund:

1,360.00	Food (for children and guests)
258.36	Ministry to needy
353.56	Medical help with medicine
223.48	Phone equipment
315.20	Children's needs
633.13	Education
965.47	Fuel & Travel, Repair & Maintenance on vehicles
2,279.64	Legal
557.69	Utilities, water, tel & internet
571.98	Household & Office needs & maintenance
205.95	Rent of meeting room and office
291.67	Salary for cook
571.43	Secretarial
242.40	Our medical needs
447.01	Rent of living facilities
911.85	Interp & Translation Work
1,405.69	Salary for Susan & Me
1,094.31	Insurance & retirement fund

