The McClain Family Missionaries to Thailand April-June 2022

Dear Pastor and praying friends.

We thank the Lord for your faithfulness to Him and for our partnership together in trying to reach the lost and make disciples for His glory here in the Kingdom of Thailand.

In our last prayer letter we told you how one of the members of Wiang Ping BC has a burden for the community he grew up in, which is where his parents and several of his siblings and relatives live, and therefore, he opened his house in this community for all of us at Wiang Ping BC to come and have weekly evangelistic meetings there. For around 20 years there has been a Catholic mission in this community until they closed the doors around 3-5 years ago. When this happened many of the people there started worshiping the spirits/fallen angels regularly again. And in our last prayer letter, we asked you to pray that the Lord will do a miracle and the Catholic diocese or whoever owns this building that has just been sitting there will give Wiang Ping BC this building for free or will sell it to Wiang Ping BC because this building is only a 4 minute walk from the center of this community and it is one house away from a community store. The last week of June, myself, Pastor Srithone and two of the men of Wiang Ping BC met with a man that also grew up in this community that says he is the current owner of the Catholic building in this community, and he has agreed to let WPBC use this building as long as we sign a rental agreement with him, do some needed maintenance to the building and keep it up and then when there are locals regularly giving, we can start paying rent. He is hoping that the church will be able to buy the building and land from him in the future. We do know there are some issues about how much land is included with this building, and he is supposed to get these issues worked out with the neighbors and the local councilman because the land in this area does not have any type of title deed, which is not unusual for places in the countryside. Therefore, many of the land deals in these areas are handled with having the local councilman being a witness of the deal. But this does not always 100% prevent horror stories from happening. Also, an independent church cannot own land in the name of the church. Therefore, please pray with us that the details of this will get worked out and eventually Wiang Ping BC can start using this building to reach out to this community more than we are now.

At Pa Mai Deng, we have seen more people start coming regularly to our Sunday afternoon service, and the attendance to our Thursday night Bible study is increasing. We have also had several of the members recently have me load Thai and Lahu Bible apps on their phones, and we thank the Lord for their desire to have His Word on their phones. Please pray with us the lost will decide to repent and believe the Gospel and that the saved will continue to grow in their relationship with the Lord.

Here at Wiang Ping BC, we started a new year at the Ban Samuel leadership and training center, and we have 5 new students which brings us to a total of 3 girls and 8 guys. Our 2 new girl students are cousins and come from Pa Mai Deng. One of our new guy students is the relative of one of our current guy students, and the other 2 new guy students are the younger brothers of two of our current students. Please continue to pray with us as we are asking the Lord to help us develop the lives of our students and see them come to know their Lord as their personal Saviour and serve Him with their whole heart as faithful leaders in the churches and that some of the guys will answer God's call to become future pastors or church planters here in Thailand or be missionaries in other countries and if it is the Lord's will that the girls will become wives of future pastors, church planters or missionaries or that they will become fulltime church workers.

We thank the Lord that a young man that I invited to our resurrection celebration came to the service and made a profession of faith and he has been coming as his work schedule allows him to come. Please pray that he can get another job because he has to travel a lot for his work and pray that he will grow in his relationship with our Lord.

We are also thankful that we are seeing several of the members and attenders of Wiang Ping BC becoming more faithful to the services and several are growing in the Lord. I am also thankful that I have been able to start another Bible study with a man that has been attending the church. Please pray for him that he will follow the Lord's working in his life.

Also please pray with us as I have challenged the people at Pa Mai Deng and Wiang Ping BC to finish a 4 book Bible study that I have given out to them about the basics of salvation. Pray with us that many people will finish this study and we will see some saved and others strengthened in their relationship with the Lord and start being a witness to those around them.

Please also pray with us because we have church camp coming up in August and we are currently trying to get as many people as possible signed up to go and also pray with us as our visas and work permit documents are currently being processed so that we can renew our visas in September.

As always, if your church has any questions about Thailand and our ministry here, please email me your questions and I can answer these by email or I can make a short webcam video in answering these questions and will then send you a link to download the video and play it for the church.

For the Millions of Untold Souls in Thailand.

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