The Hennigs Missions in Kanchanaburi Province / Thailand

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Dear friends and prayer partners,

thank you for your prayers. We got Reiner's work permit at November 17th and our visa at December 17th, for both of us until December 21st with multiple entry. That is the end of a long way with many trips and travels, many expenses and a lot of uncertainity. That was very hard, especially for Christine and made it difficult to work continually at the place, where God has put us. Now we are very grateful, that this phase came to an end and that we can do our work here. In spite of the difficulties we must say, that we never before had such a good time in our lives.

During those times we had to leave our home, Khun Fon and sometimes members of her family came over to feed our animals and to prevent the growth of the weeds in our garden. God protected our home from damages and break ins. During the weeks we were at Lum Sum Khun Fon and sometimes members of her family helped Christine in the household in a very good way.

About our foundation

As we know, that we shall be able to stay in our house, we have begun to prepare the papers required for the application of the foundation neededfor our project.

Collaboration with House of Grace Church at Lum Sum village 11

As before we have a close collaboration with Ajan Yupin and her niece Khun Yotaka. They pick us up at Sunday morning for the service at her church in village 11. There Reiner plays keyboard, and we give testimonies and say some words. They and some of their church members come to us for our service at 5 p. m.. We preach in Thai and we get a lot of help for it from God. It is a great joy to receive from God the words we have to say and to pass them on. Sometimes Yupin and Yotaka come to us during the week, when we need their help.

Christ to Thailand Mission (CTTM)

The Church Camp of CTTM, an annual gathering of all the churches affiliated with CTTM was held on 23. - 27. October 2014 at a resort in the North East of Thailand. There were very good and helpful messages about spiritual warfare, about how to cope with destructive habits, attitudes and actions, sexual immorality and occult bondages and bondages inherited from our ancestors.

The missionaries of CTTM met this year twice, the second time on December 3 – 6 at our training center at Khon Kaen. At both events we were asked to hold a session, and God helped us very much with it. Enclosed you will find the things we said at Khon Kaen as our Christmas Greeting to you.

Encounters in Bangkok

At 2 evenings we had very good encounters with Pattama Sinjumpasak und Pumarin Klabjai, two Christian Thai women. They had already translated quite a lot of stuff for us from English to Thai.

Writing for rural Thailand

The longer we serve in rural Thailand, the more it has become clear to us, how much good literature for the poor rural population is needed. People here don't have a culture of reading, and they have very limited time only for reading. Therefore there is an urgent need for writings, that are easy to understand, factually correct and not longer than 2 pages DIN A4. We think of texts helpful for Christians in poor village churches.

New songs

Another thing we have come to see more and more is the need for new songs in the Thai churches. Often they sing always the sames songs or imports from the USA or from Australia. The Bile, however, tells us to sing a new song to the LORD. God gave us western foreigners new songs with short texts and melodies. For some of these songs we could find Thai texts. And we found out, that they were well received in Thai churches.

Our Garden

The most important time for gardening kn Thailand is the rainiy season from May to October. The greatest part of this time we had to leave our

home because of travels we had to make for our visa. As our gardener had to leave, our garden suffered a lot and was in bad shape and nost of our flowers and our vegetables died. Because of the rainfall, however, chili plants and most of our fruit trees survived and gave us quite a lot of bananas and many, many papaya fruits. We asked for a new gardener, and the husband of Khun Fon was ready to step in. He worked already several times in our garden and we were astonished to see, how well. Because of the harvest in his own garden and fields, he had to interrupt his work with us and will step in again in January. He will have to clean up a lot and to renew our bamboo fence. Shortly before the begin of the new rainy season he will plant new vegetables., thus saving quite a lot of water.

Children from our village

In October there are school holidays in Thailand for three weeks, right in the middle of the Thai school year. During that time nearly daily 6-8 children came to our house to eat, to play and even to learn voluntarily English. Christine took care of them. After the holidays, children come to us at late afternoon or at Saturday. They come from very poor families, and we passed on to them clothes that we got from others for that purpose, and we gave them food. The children like very much to come to us. And we can see, that they behave much better than before.

Christmas party at Dezember 20th, 2014

As since October 2014 more children come to us, we decided to have a Christmas party at our home for all the children of our village, and our friends from village 11 will come, too. We don't know,how many children will come, 20 or 100. We plan to have the message of Christmas first and then play and fun, and tasty meals. Instead of sweets they will get fruits and small useful gifts, as hygienic articles and stationery material.

We give thanks for

- the protection during our many travels. Nothing was stolen from us, and we didn't need a stay at a hospital this time,
- for Reiner's work permit and the one year multiple entry visa for both of us,
- for the may fruits and vegetables given to us in November and for the many Papaya fruits we have been able to harvest this year,
- for Pastor Yupin and Khun Yotaka, who support and help us in our Sunday services and bediese several times during the weeks, especially by going with their pick up.

We ask God for

- the preparation of our Christmas party at Dcember 20^{th,}
- help in preparing our foundation,
- time, strength and succes for learning the Thai language.

We wish you a peaceful and glad Christmas time and strength and blessing from God for everything that will come to you during the next months.

We are very grateful for the connection with with you.

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