

**The Hennigs
Missions in Kanchanaburi Province
Thailand**

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Dear friends and prayer partners,

thank you for your interest, your prayers and your donations. Since end of May we have had the rainy season with with lower and more pleasant temperatures. Everything is in a lush green, and the plants grow very fast.

We go on

Khun Paeng has done the children ministry, and the children and she herself like it very much. The number of the children who come increased, last Saturday 19 children came. Some weeks ago Christine was asked to teach English for students. she does ti on Saturday, too. Now there are 4 children who who really like to learn. and put their efforts in it. Our Sunday Service at 5 p.m. goes on, usually with 1 adult and 4 teenagers. Reiner holds the service, and God gives him very much for it, when he preaches. All those who come stated, that they want to live with Jesus. Our distribution of food and soap to the most needy in our village expanded to 23 households with 65 persons. Therefore we had to reduce the number of things we distribute. One of our recipients died some days ago through an accident on our main road 323. Our workers Khun O, Khun Fon and Khun Kanitha continue to work well for us.

Visits from Germany

A friend from Heiligenstadt in Germany works now for half a year at Bangkok as part of her studies at a German university. She visited us in May for several days, that were very good for her. In July she came to us with her parents, and we had a very good encounter. Reiner has known her father for more than 60 years.

Kanda Poochiewchanvit

We had come to know her in 2011, when she drove us from a meeting at her church to the bus station. She invited us to visit her, and out of it grew a number of very good encounters. In 2013 she went with us for several weeks to Germany and the Netherlands, when we visited our friends and relatives there. She was one of the Thais closest to us, and we learned a lot from her about Thailand. In 2017 she retired and had a very good time at a discipleship training of Youth with a Mission in Australia including an outreach in the Fiji islands. She had planned to work for the Kingdom of God, but got cancer and had to undergo extensive treatments. We visited her several times during this time. At our last visit at May 9th she recognized

us and was grateful for our coming, but she was already so weak, that she couldn't speak any longer. She died at March 27th.

Our dogs Weissfuss and Moppel

died within 3 days, when plague killed many dogs in our village.t

Khun At died.

Khun At, the father of our worker Khun Paeng and the husband of her mother Khun Auranuth (both women are together with Khun Paeng's husband Khun Arun members of the board of directors of our planned foundation) died after a long weakness. Khun At and Khun Auranuth were born as Buddhists, but after their daughter Kuun Paeng had become a christian, they finally became Christians too and joined the work of Khun Arun and Khun Paeng with Youth with a Mission. For the funeral of Khun At many Christians from different countries came. It was a celebration that was marked by the Light and the Hope of God. For us it was the most beautiful funeral we had ever experienced. something

Collecting donations for India, Pakistan and Nepal

The incoming donations have increased a lot, but the requests for help increased even further. The widower who worked in Pakistan in debt slavery at a brick kiln and had no way to come out of it, could be bought free and found work and home in another province. A Pakistani pastor was one and a half year in a jail in spite of the fact, that the competent court had declared him innocent. For his release a payment was needed, that could be covered by donations. Now he is again with his wife and with his child. Four very poor Christian prisoners could receive the most urgently needed items such as sandals, soap and undergarments.

The help for widows and orphans has to go on. At the moment in India the river Godavari hit 16 villages by an inundation and destroyed 4 of them totally. Many inhabitants lost everything and had to flee to the mountains. The state of India gave help, but it was much too little. Our friends in India, whom we know personally, commit themselves very much to help them, but even that is too little. Christine often calls for help via internet, but with many the readiness to help is not big, even with those who mark these internet requests with a "like".

We could apply for the registration of our foundation

At August 6th after having received enough money for it, we finally could apply for the registration of our foundation by giving all the documents required to the office of our district (Amphoe) Sai Yok. Now we have to wait, until our district office and the Governor of our province Kanchanaburi will have checked everything and the Governor will register our foundation and have this registration to be published in the official news bulletin of the Thai Government.

Our houses 2 and 3

We had learned, that it was planned to sell the the land with our houses 2 and 3. Up to now we didn't hear an news about it. We want to continue to stay here so that we and the fruits and vegetables we grow here can serve the people in our village.

About ourselves

We see, that we have to get new strength. Christine, therefore, spent five days for herself, and we both intend to go for 7 days to a resort in our provincial capital. During this time a friend from Germany will live here and look for our houses.

We give thanks to God:

- for the support of friends, that enabled us to complete all the paperwork needed and to apply at our district office for the registration of our foundation,
- for the persons in our Sunday Services who gave their lives to Jesus,
- for Khun Paeng who does the Children Ministry on Saturday and for Khun Kanitha who cooks the lunch for it,
- that the widower with his three children could be set free,
- for the release of the imprisoned Pastor from prison,
- for Khun O, Khun Fon and Khun Kanitha and all their work for our houses, gardens and animals.

We ask God:

- that we can keep our houses 2 and 3 and the land, that belongs to them,
- for a quick registration of our foundation without any complications,
- that more people in our village come to faith in Jesus Christ and grow in faith.

We wish you God's protection and His blessings during the next weeks and send you warm greetings from Lum Sum

Yours sincerely

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We continue to use our old bank account at ING-DiBa, but are not allowed to receive on it money for others.

Christine supports persons in need in India and Pakistan (we know most of their leaders and many of them personally). These donations will arrive at their destination by 100%, as we pay the expenses for money transfer and administration. For more information please contact Christine under cmhennig23@yahoo.com.



Kanda Poochiewchanvit, when we traveled with her to Germany in 2013



Khun At: A funeral filled with peace and hope



Our two dogs Moppel and Weißfuß died within 3 days.



India: In the province, where our friends live, the river Godavari inundated 16 villages, 5 of them were totally destroyed. Many of the inhabitants lost everything and had to flee into the mountains.



Pakistan: This family has to work at a brick kiln in order to pay back their debts. Their own strength is not sufficient for it. The father has a sickness of his kidneys and can't work because of it, but has no money to pay for the urgently needed medical treatment. Therefore the wife with four of their five children has to work hard to reach the daily quota to form and dry 1000 bricks per day.



Support for widows in India and Pakistan: Many widows can't take care of themselves any longer, but don't get support from the State. If there are no relatives who support them, they need to turn to begging. The stuff depicted here is given by our friends in India once per month at a cost of about 8 €. At one village alone they support 56 widows.

Trust in God, the Key to a Fulfilled Life

The Greek word Pistis, normally translated by “faith”, has the central meaning of “trust”. The words “to believe in God”, therefore, can often be translated by “to put your trust in God”.

God

God was, before anything else existed. God created space and time and the whole cosmos with all its elementary particles and the forces between them. Everything that exists, comes from God, exists only, because it is carried by God, and goes unto God. Finally no one will be able to avoid to answer to God.

God is Love. In God therefore there is God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. They love each other, trust each other, serve each other and receive from each other. This Love doesn't force the other one, but seeks the very best for the other voluntarily. God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit are one in such a way, that each one of them is the perfect expression of the being and the will of the other one.

Creation

God created the world and created angels who were to serve Him voluntarily and to be responsible for this world. But these angels wanted to be powerful and to reign the world independent of God. Thus the leader of these angels became the Satan, and evil and destruction came into this world.

God created man as a being consisting of matter, and He gave His Spirit into him. God gave a protected space to man. There man could learn to trust in God and to obey God with a free will. By this man was prepared to reign, to order and to protect the world. Man didn't trust God enough and decided therefore to disobey God. Man, therefore, came into death and destruction and couldn't serve the creation in the right way any longer.

In this world God called a man named Abraham, to trust God and have a friendship with God. Abraham became the father of a nation, the nation of Israel, that was called to be the people of God in a special way and to bring God's light into this world. But even this people didn't trust God enough and couldn't live up to its calling.

God the Son came into this world.

God the Son came into this nation as Jesus of Nazareth in order to do here the will of God completely. He became man totally with all the limitations of the human life,

and was tempted in everything like we. In spite of it He remained in trust and obedience to God the Father and never became guilty. With a free will He went into shame, persecution and unjust treatment. With a free will he accepted the most dishonoring and cruel punishment of his time , the crucifixion, by which even the last things were taken from Him. And precisely in it He, being without any guilt, took upon Himself all our guilt and its effects, all our bad karma, all our sicknesses, all our curse, and our separation from God the Father, and carried all that away from us into His death. This way He became the perfect sacrifice, that made all the sacrifices later on superfluous. God accepted this offering of Jesus, resurrected Him from death and made Him the highest authority in heaven and on earth, and gave everything into His Hands. Already now He is present invisibly everywhere, but the day will come, when He will assume His rule here on earth visibly, disempower Satan totally and put a final end to the rule of destruction here on earth.

The sacrifice of Jesus and we

The effects of the sacrifice of Jesus are so gigantic, that everyone who wants to turn away from sin and the false life before God and trusts in Jesus and His work receives a total cleansing from the guilt of his past and of its effects in his life, freedom from curse, freedom from all bondages to addictions, bad habits and demonic powers. He becomes a child of God. The same way a child of a dog is a dog, the daughter of a cat is a cat, and the child of an earthworm is an earthworm, God puts something new into this person: His own divine nature. God the Holy Spirit takes residence in him, leads him into all truth and makes him able to do the will of God gladly and to trust God wholeheartedly. If the Holy Spirit lives in us, the love of God is poured out into our hearts and we need only to let it out towards all that encounter us. We don't need to keep anything in our hands, because God will give us everything we need each moment. If we live this way, Christ lives in us and we in Him, and we live according to the things the Holy Spirit is doing. We live precisely the same life that Jesus lived on earth, and we are thereby brothers and sisters of Jesus. Like Jesus, who had to go through many sufferings, when He walked on this earth, God allows many sufferings for us (Acts 14, 22) in order to transform our lives through them and to train us, that we can receive more from Him and to serve Him better. The momentary and by comparison small amount of suffering here on earth produces an immense and eternal measure of glory (2. Cor. 4, 17). Here, too, the trust in God is indispensable. This glory exists already now, but it will become visible for all, when Jesus will come again to earth visible for all.

The Body of Christ

Jesus of Nazareth decided to be the Christ, consisting of Himself as the head and of all His brothers who are in Christ (1. Cor. 12, 12). The same way as God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit are a unity by their mutual love, those who are in Christ are a unity by their mutual love. God raised us from the dead with the same power, with which He raised Jesus from the dead. He gave us already the

glory and put us already on the throne together with Christ in the heavenlies (Eph. 2, 6). By the work of the Holy Spirit we are an unity together with Jesus, this unity is called the Christ, and this Christ is an unity together with God the Father and God the Holy Spirit.

In Christ, therefore, we have a position high above all other powers and positions (Eph. 1, 21), a love, care and acceptance better, deeper, and more encompassing by far than anything else in this world, and a connection to the inexhaustible resources of God for everything we need for all domains of our life. By God's eternal wisdom we have a way, that is better by far for us and for all the others, than all the other ways. All that belongs to us, if we trust God and obey God. We share the eternal Life of God and thereby a living hope with a wonderful eternal perspective.

We shall receive according to our measure of trust.

God doesn't force anything upon us. Anyone who doesn't trust God at all will receive nothing of the things God acquired for us, can't please God, and finally everything he has will be taken from him. Anyone who trusts, that God cleared up his past only, and thinks, that he can live by his own strength in a way, that pleases God, will fail. A person who doesn't allow the Holy Spirit to lead Him, but follows his own thoughts and lives by his own strength instead, lives (as Paul puts it) according to the flesh and will reap destruction from the flesh (Rom. 8, 13). Everything built up for God without God's leading will not stand before God. If we make our own well-being the final measure of all things and lose sight of our future glory, but have aims on this earth only, even if they may seem to be very godly and spiritual, we are enemies of the Cross of Christ, whose final destination is destruction (Phil. 3, 18. 19).

How far do we trust on our methods, on our abilities and on the things we have learned? How far we are ready, that God can show us at any moment, what He sees as important and to be done at the actual situation? Who is ready to set aside his own intentions and to take God's intentions upon his heart? Who loves God so much, that God is more important to him than anything else? Who loves God so much, that he is ready to go every way with God, and who really trusts, that God will give him the very best on this way?