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. The rainy season, that has given us more tolerable temperatures during the last months draws slowly to its end, to be followed by the cold season. During the night of October 19th to 20th a strong tempest uprooted some big trees. One of then fell upon the edge of our house and destroyed some roof panels and a big plastic container storing rainwater. As this container had been defective since we rented house 1 again, we never had been able to use it. Reiner's work permit and our visa will end at December 21st. Until this date we need extensions for visa and work permit for 1 additional year. The preparations for it are nearly finished.

Together

We continue to be very grateful for the unity among us and for the freedom we have to live our calling and to do things that correspond to our gifts. We see destruction at work in many parts of the Body of Christ, and this gives us a lot of pain. Gladly we are at God's disposition, so that He can do through us, what He wants to be done now. But we see very clearly, that the damage in church and world has advanced to a point, that really extensive and fundamental help can be given not earlier than the moment, when Jesus will return visible for all into this world and dispossess and bind Satan. Therefore we pray: Come, Lord Jesus!

Foundation

The office for our planned foundation is ready. It is very nice. As we couldn't get the permission from the landlord to have the office of our foundation neither for house 1 nor for house 2 or 3, Khun Fon and Khun O offered us to build a room of 11.5 ft x 21.3 ft (3,5 m x 6,5 m) adjacent to their house as office for the foundation. We agreed, that they built this room and we paid for the wages and the materials needed. They began June 26th, one day after the first session of the board of directors of the foundation, and had most of the work finished at September 23rd. Having bought the furniture we could move in on October 5th. We could pay the rent for the office for 4 years in advance. Through some donations we have now more than 39% of the capital required for the foundation, and we pray and trust, that God will give us the outstanding amount in time.

As soon as we bring our application to the state, the authorities will certainly look into our website. Reiner decided therefore, that instead of working for our publishing, it was more urgent now to overhaul our website. That meant to complete the English parts of the website and to translate some parts of it into Thai.

Publishing

If nothing unexpected happens Reiner will finish the overhaul of the website and will get an overview of the things we wrote already, we have to modify and we have to write. And he plans to look for appropriate channels of distribution and for translations needed.

Health

We have reasons to be very grateful: After 6 weeks with biweekly appointments with the urology physician Reiner got finally rid of his catheter, and the physician stated, that a prostate operation was not needed. He has to continue to take medicine against the swelling of his prostate, but his next appointment was with the physician was 8 weeks later in November.

Christine had got a prescription from a physician to take a lot of different pills. Their side effects caused Christine to be extremely tired the whole morning, so that it was nearly impossible for her to work until midday. Therefore she decided to stop to take those pills with the strongest effects. Since that time her ability to work the whole day has increased strongly, and that gave her more joy in her life. Christine had had to sleep with a steep support for her chest and head. Now we have been able to reduce this steepness a lot, and we expect, that she will be able to sleep in a normal bed soon.

Social work in our village

The distribution of goods to the poor in our village goes on every second week Friday afternoon. There came additional families and single persons in such bad situations, that we couldn't refuse to help them. Therefore we decided to give soap and detergents every 6 weeks only instead of every 4 weeks. To a family with extreme need we give additional food also between the regular distributions.

Garden

We harvested a lot of bananas and we could pass on a lot of fruit to the poor. At the moment we have a rich harvest of papaya and Thai eggplant. From a little tree we had planted two yeas ago we got our first lime fruits. We had planted a lot of pineapple heads. Most of them rooted well and thrive now, and we expect lots of own pineapples in the future.

Children Ministry and Sunday Services

We are grateful, that Khun Paeng now often comes to do the children work at Saturday morning. She does it very well. Our Sunday Services continue to go each Sunday at 5 p.m.. Regular attendants have been Khun Kanitha, her Children Fa, Tawan and Khang and Bert, the youngest brother of Noi, who came years ago very regularly. They all participate actively.

Church Camp of CTTM

Christ to Thailand Mission (CTTM), the organization our Church belongs to held her annual Church Camp at a resort at 22 – 24 October 2018. All Church Members of all CTTM Churches are invited to this event, whereas all the other meetings of CTTM are for Pastors and missionaries. At this camp we had 214 persons from all age groups, more than during the years before. The camp was very well organized. A team with Pastor Will Söhnchen had come from Canada and gave excellent helpful and encouraging teachings.

Some of the statements they gave were:

- 1) Don't derive your identity from your job or your ministry, but from the Love of God.
- 2) Worries are a big problem. You worry about the future and about things that might happen if..... Thereby you live in a fantasy world, instead in the reality of God. You can counter worries, if you believe, that God is in control and that He really loves you. The we don't need to control everything.
- 3) There are times in our lives, when God ends a phase of our life and lets us enter into a phase, in which seemingly nothing happens and we seem to be not to be used any longer. This phase may last for months or even years, until God ends it and gives us something new. Theses phases in between are extremely valuable, because God works deep changes in them. Therefore we have to accept them, even if we have seemingly come to an end in them.
- 4) To live as a Christian means, that the Holy Spirit has to say to me what I have to do.

We are very glad about the development we see in CTTM. They prayed very faithfully for us and treated us with a lot of understanding because of our health situation. They stand behind us and the things we do and plan, and give us the freedom to do, what the Holy Spirit wants us to do.

Collecting donations for India, Pakistan and Nepal

At the moment we can't support women who want to build their own business, because the number of widows and aged persons in India and Pakistan needing support from non-relatives has increased enormously. In addition the brick kiln slave workers can't earn money now, because the brick kilns had to stop productions for a while because of the heavy rainfalls of the rainy season. And in order to prevent smog, the Government of Pakistan has closed the brick kilns for 2 months. Most of the workers of the brick kilns are enslaved, because they have debts with the kiln owner and can't pay them back. As they earn so little, they can't save money and consequently have no financial reserves to buy food during this time. Usually they have to take up more debts to feed themselves and their families, but come thereby deeper and deeper into debt slavery. In order to prevent this, one of our friends n Pakistan distributes now basic foodstuff to 40 of these families in order to help them to survive now.

In order to get the day wage of about 4.50 Euros or 5.11 US \$, 1000 bricks must be produced per day. For this clay has to be dug out, put into forms, and the formed bricks have to be taken out and put into certain stacks for drying and hardening. These drying bricks have to be turned several times, until they can be finally burned in special furnaces. This can only be done if the whole family works at it, including the children down to the age of 5 years. They all have to work for it 10 - 14 hours per day.

Children in these families have therefore neither time for playing or for attending school. They don't have any toy. Since weeks and months they asked one of our friends helping them: "Do you have at least one toy for me?" At the moment this friend helps 150 of these children. He opened a school for some of them.

Travel

In order to see our friends and those, who receive help sent through us, and their situation, we prepare to travel to Pakistan. We expect to go there mid January 2019.

Reasons to give thanks:

- Reiner didn't need an operation of his prostate.
- Christine can do a lot again and has an improved quality of life.
- The board of directors of our planned foundation had its first session, and all the preparations needed for applying for the registration of our foundation are finished.
- The office for our foundation is now ready, and it is very nice.
- Several times per month Khun Paeng does the children ministry at Saturday.
- Those who come to our Sunday Services participate actively.

• We got a rich harvest of bananas and Thai eggplants, and we get now a lot of papayas.

We ask God for:

- Khun Somwang, the husband of Khun Kanitha, that he follows Jesus,
- Khun Kanitha, that she goes on with Jesus courageously in spite of all resistance.
- the children and youth who come to our Sunday services for protection against bad influences and seduction,
- a quick and problem free registration of our foundation,
- our publications, for good translations and for good ways to distribute them, and for new material helpful for Christians and for the rural population,
- the persons we encounter, that God can love them and speak to them through us,
- a new one year visa for and work permit for Reiner as missionary and a new one year visa for Christine as his wife.
- A good preparation of our travel to Pakistan and the visa needed for it.

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 (she knows nearly all of them personally) and widows and orphans in Pakistan. 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.

When You speak I will hear



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The office of our foundation is now ready.



Filing cabinet



Table for drinks in the office

On September 20th a tempest uprooted several big trees. One of them fell upon the edge of our house 1 and destroyed some roof panels, a part of the gutter, and the big blue container for rainwater. This container, however had been damaged before we started to rent this house again and we hadn't be able to use it. (These 2 pictures were taken by Mrs. Hwan Thongtho and used here with her permission.)



The big table in the office. Behind the curtains there are two windows of the house of Khun O and Khun Fon, that can be used, if we don't have a session there.



Chest of drawers and fan



