

# Christ Jesus

has destroyed death and has brought  
life and immortality to light.

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Jesus Christus hat dem Tod die Macht genommen  
und Leben und Unvergänglichkeit aufstrahlen lassen.

Christus Jezus heeft de dood van zijn kracht beroofd  
en onvergankelijk leven aan het licht gebracht.

*cf. 2. Tim. 1, 10*

*Thai: Thai King James Version © 2003 Philip Pope*

*Transliteration of the Thai text: ClickThai Online Wörterbuch Thai-Deutsch, [www.clickthai.net](http://www.clickthai.net)*

*English: The Holy Bible : New International Version. electronic ed. Grand Rapids : Zondervan, 1996, c1984.*

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*The Hennigs*  
*Mission in the Kanchanaburi province/Thailand*  
*Newsletter 04/2012*

*Dear relatives, friends and prayer partners,*

Many thanks that you are so close to us, for your prayers and for your support.

**Reasons to give thanks:**

When we look back for the last months, we have many reasons to be thankful. We received a prolongation of our visa until May 30th. God gave us so much money as never before in Thailand. Thus we were able to buy the lacking furniture for our guest room and our bedroom, and we could make both rooms homely. We could add on a kitchen to the house on the outside so that Christine also can cook outside during tropical rains discharging big lots of water in few minutes. We could make the table to work in this kitchen so high, that Christine has not to bow for the work there. This prevents pain in Christine's back. We built a roof over our office which considerably reduces the warming by the incoming solar radiation and the water coming to our balcony during the strong rains here. That water had produced inundations in our office before. Our garden fence collapsed and we could replace it and the garden gate.

We have employed 2 women, the first one helps one day per week in the household and the other one 2 hours per day in the garden. So our garden is well tended now and we could plant flowers and some fruit trees. These women are a great help for us.

Our marriage is very beautiful and becomes more and more beautiful.

We have been grateful for a new lease for our house for 3 years.

During 20. - 25. January we made a trip to the provinces Surat Thani and Pang Nga in southern Thailand. Our friend Kanda Poochievanchit showed us the places in which she had grown up and had worked many years. We went with her to a children's village, a Montessori nursery school and an orphanage. These meetings gave us valuable insights for our project.

The Roman Catholic bishop of Ratchaburi, John Bosco Panya Kritcharoen, who is responsible also for our province, paid us a visit on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. This meeting was very pleasant and helpful for us.

**Christine's state of health:**

Please continue to pray for Christine's health. Last September she had to go in Germany to a hospital to fight a tropical infection, she escaped death very narrowly only . Because of the many things we had to do in Germany and in Thailand afterwards, she had no time to make holidays. Since then she has

never regained her strength fully. Often she has to lay down in the afternoon, because she is so exhausted, that she cannot do physical work for the rest of the day. Compared to her past, her strength is very much reduced. In February the hot season started with day temperatures to above 36 degrees and rather high atmospheric humidity. On February 23th, Christine was very hot and became so weak, that she could whisper only but could not sweat any longer. By a lot of cooling and drinking she improved, but we sent her to the hospital next day. Unfortunately, she could remain there only 3 days because we had then to go to Laos to get new visa for Thailand. Since this time there are many things she can't eat anymore, especially rice and meat and most kinds of fish.

### **Project baby house:**

In the talks with the leaders of CTTM, the organization we belong to, we were told that we need a smaller project first before we can start with the children's village. So we decided to plan for a house for abandoned babies. It was the main task of Christine to plan and to prepare this project within the last months. Christine had managed out patient and in patient geriatric care for many years. Therefore she was able to plan the rooms, their interior, the material and the work force needed for this project. She prepared work schedules for the work in this house and forms in 3 languages to provide for a detailed documentation of the things done there. She collected information about the costs for furniture, equipments and materials needed. This planning has advanced so far, that we could start the project immediately, as soon as we have a house fit for this purpose and the necessary staff. In the final stage of this project it is planned to care for 30 babies in 3 care rooms. As a quick first step we think about using the house, where Christine had lived from December 2008 to spring 2010. It could house up to 16 babies. As the house stands already, there would be needed some modifications only: New tiles on the floor, an overhaul of the electric system and a protection against incoming insects, cats and serpents. That could be done within weeks. This house belongs to the mayor of our village, Pujai Deng, and we asked him, whether he would allow this use of his house. He didn't give us yet his decision about it. Please pray for the right timing and good workers here.

We met our friend Pastor Preecha Kirdyoo and his wife Yuka, to tell them about our project. He thought it would be more favorable for volunteers wanting to help us, that the house is in the capital of our province. He thought about a house with three stories in Kanchanaburi in the immediate neighborhood of a hospital. We visited together this house and thought that it would be very well suited for a baby house. Pastor Preecha even promised to rent this house. He had, after long years got the accreditation of the foundation for his church. The leading board of his foundation will think about, whether the baby house could be part of this foundation.

### **Learning Thai Language:**

For Reiner learning the Thai language was the most important task during the

last months. He studies the language by himself, using audio CDs, books and the internet. He gained much insight into the Thai language by translating passages of the Thai Bible into German. He was able to translate the contract of our house rent from Thai into German. As our coworker Malin left us last year, we have no interpreter anymore in our Sunday services. In our village we can hardly ever communicate in English and we have to talk in Thai with the persons we meet daily and especially with Khun Fon and Khun Sa, who work for us. Christine now can very well communicate with both of them, for Reiner that is yet difficult. We have all our Sunday Services in Thai. Reiner did a lot of work to find out, how to pronounce the texts we have to read loud. You find an example of it on the first page. There the : indicates that the preceding vowel is long, and the other signs indicate the tone used to pronounce the syllable. For sermons Reiner writes very simple sentences in German and translates them using dictionaries. Compared to last year our knowledge of the Thai language has markedly improved. Up to now, however, our language ability are not yet sufficient for intensive talks with the persons visiting us and with those persons we could baptize in the past years.

### **Sunday Services:**

The number of visitors of our Sunday Services has fallen off very much. There were Sundays with no one coming, services with Noi only and his younger brothers, and services with Khun Samran with one or two children. The other persons baptized by us don't come at the moment. We do not know why people have stayed away. We can't ask them because of our limited knowledge of the Thai language, and due to the Thai mentality we can't expect honest answers either. We need insight from God to see the reasons and whether something was our fault here.

### **Visa:**

When we applied for visa in Germany and in Laos, it became very clear to us, that we with the invitations used up to now shall not get additional visa for Thailand in Germany and probably in Laos either. We need urgently a work permit in Thailand with which we then can apply for one year visa.

### **Abortion:**

This topic has touched our hearts more and more, especially after learning that the number of abortions world wide has been estimated to be about 43 million per year. Most of them take place in communist China, often forced against the will of the parents by the state authorities. For Russia there are on the average 7 abortions to one live birth. When we assume that over the last 20 years these numbers didn't change much, we arrive at a total of 860 Million innocent babies killed. It can be stated, that this number is bigger than the number of victims of communism, national socialism, Islam and Christianity combined. The baby house we plan is a very small contribution to help, that unwanted babies don't die but can live.

### **Marriage seminars:**

In Thailand the institution of marriage is in a deep crisis. 60 % of all marriages here end in divorce. It is a normal thing for a married man to have a mia noi, an unofficial second wife, besides his wife. As many women with children are left by their partners, there are lots of single mothers. There is a deep identity crisis in Thailand, affecting especially men. Friends urged and encouraged us to hold marriage seminars. Now we are developing our first marriage seminar, and Thai friends promised us to help us to adapt it to the Thai situation.

Warm greetings from warm Thailand.

In deep gratitude yours

*Christine and Reiner Hennig*

### **Concerning donations:**

We trust, that God will provide everything we need for us. Therefore we don't ask for donations.

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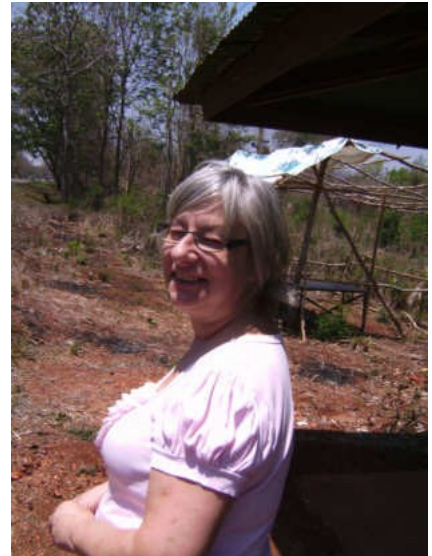
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*The repaired door of our garden*



*The new roof above our office*



*Christine*



*The new kitchen seen from outside*



*The new kitchen seen from within*



*Khun Sa works for us in the garden*



*Dinner with Khun Kanda, her nephew and his wife*



*Children after our Sunday service*



*Children of our neighbors*

**Prayer requests:**

- Full restoration of Christine's health and protection from new attacks
- Baby house: A clear leading from God and good workers
- A work permit in Thailand and one year visa
- That those in the village, who had given their life to Jesus, and especially those, who were baptized, stay with Jesus or return to Him
- That we learn the Thai language so well, that we can communicate well with the members of our church and with the people of our village.
- Our marriage seminar and its preparation