

The McClain Family

Missionaries to Thailand

August-October 2024



To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God... Acts 26:18

Dear Pastor and praying friends,

We are so grateful to our Lord Jesus Christ and to all of you for your faithful intercessions and support on our behalf and for the work of our Lord here in the kingdom of Thailand!

We praise the Lord for answering all of our prayers and giving us safety while we took our girls to Bible College there in the US! And we thank Him for being able to pop in and see our family and friends, be with our home church and a couple of other supporting churches in the area, and then arriving safely back here in Thailand and finishing the process of renewing our visas and work permit before they expired in September!

Please continue to pray for our girls' adjustment to the US and for each of our continual adjustment of not being together and serving the Lord together here in Thailand! Also pray that our girls will use this opportunity of being in Bible college to get closer to our Lord Jesus Christ and become stronger in their relationship and fellowship with Him and in preparing for a lifetime of serving Him!

We are rejoicing that 2 of the guys at Wiang Ping Baptist that got right with the Lord during our youth conference back in April are still making time for our discipleship times and coming to the church meetings, even though they are still studying fulltime in tech college and helping their parents in their small businesses. Sadly, one of the other guys I was discipling that was in the Ban Samuel leadership and Bible training center started having some battles and decided to go back home while we were in the US. Thankfully, he has gone back some to the sister church there in his area, but he is still battling some things. Our other older Ban Samuel guy student that I am helping disciple has unfortunately failed in some areas, but praise the Lord, he is still here and receiving correction and more Bible training. Therefore, please continue praying with us that these guys will allow the Lord to conform them to His holy and righteous image and will allow Him to strengthen them more and use them more in being a witness and an example to their friends and family, and they will strive to wholly follow our Lord in every area of their daily life.

Sadly, in September, one of the younger brothers of two of the members of Huay Gwang Baptist allowed his emotions to deceive himself, and after a disagreement with his wife, who is working in another country, he killed himself. Sadly, his funeral proclaimed the gospel and Bible truth more than he allowed his life to. Please pray for his wife, his two kids, his relatives, and for the one that made a profession of faith during his 3 day funeral.

For some time now, I and Pastor Apisit have been concerned and praying because most of the members

of Lanna Baptist Church in Lampang are over 60, and because he and his wife can only do so much. We finally in October started branching out more and started helping Pastor Apisit and Lanna Baptist Church every weekend in trying to reach and build up the few high school and college age people that come to the church already and trying to reach more people. The Lord is blessing, and we have 5 church young people in their teens to early twenties that have started coming to the youth and college age group that we have started. Please pray with us as we try to reach those that are not saved yet and challenge each of them to grow in the Lord Jesus Christ and reach others. Plus there are 6 more young people coming to the church that I am trying to get to join in with us. Soon I will start helping Pastor Apisit with trying to build up the adults in the church. Evelyn has also started teaching piano on different levels to 9 of the church members, and 6 of these are already over 50.

We were able to start branching out more and helping Lanna Baptist Church because here in Chiang Mai in addition to Brother Srithone, who is a Thai missionary, there is one missionary family that is developing their Thai preaching and teaching ability and another missionary family that has started the process of trying to preach and teach in Thai. We all have been working together at Wiang Ping Baptist, Pa Mai Deng Baptist, and Huay Gwang Baptist here in Chiang Mai, and since they are able to help out more, we started helping Lanna Baptist on the weekends. We are still working with Ban Samuel, Wiang Ping Baptist, and Pai Mai Deng Baptist here in Chiang Mai during the week as always.

Please continue to pray for the youth and college age outreach at Wiang Ping Baptist because we are seeing more of the young people that our family has been working with for years become more faithful to the Lord.

Pray with us as all of us are starting to prepare for our school and large community outreaches in December.

Also, if anyone is good at finding cheap international plane tickets or would like to donate any air miles or rewards points that can be used to reduce the cost of plane tickets, please let us know as we will be needing to buy our girls tickets to go back to Bible college in August.

*We originally bought roundtrip tickets when we took them to college last August; therefore, we have tickets for them to come back to Thailand for their summer break in May.

For the Millions of Untold Souls in Thailand,
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