

"Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do His work and build up the church, the body of Christ, measuring up to the full stature of Christ."

Ephesians 4:12 (NLT)



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We pray that you will have a Blessed Christmas and a Joyous New Year

Dear Ministry Partner,

As we reach the end of 2024 and reflect on the precious gift of Jesus this Christmas season, let's rejoice for the thousands of Thai people who have received His gift of salvation this year. Thanks to your support and the dedication of hundreds of church planters from the Association of Free Churches in Thailand, who have traveled countless miles of streets, roads, and lanes, these individuals have been reached. We thank God for these selfless church planters who deeply love their people and are willing to give their time to seek them out.

This year, as of December 14, a total of 23,416 people have responded to the Gospel, and 10,039 individuals have been baptized. Additionally, we have established 2,048 village churches and 21 district churches, resulting in an additional 9,585 church members. Notably, 40% of those who responded to the Gospel have become church members.

Since 2017, the Association of Free Churches in Thailand (AFT) has witnessed 90,759 people respond to the Gospel, with over 26,500 (30%) being baptized. We've established 6,311 village churches and 49 district churches, bringing our total membership to 36,151. We have successfully established a village church in every village in the provinces of Phichit, Phetchabun, and Nakorn Sawan. By the end of 2026, we aim to reach all villages in the provinces of Khon Kaen, Chaiyapum, Phitsanulok, and Kamphang Phet. For the latest figures, visit <u>https://estar.ws/AFT.</u>

This is just the beginning. With the Lord's provision we will continue spreading the Gospel to additional provinces. Our dedicated church planters are ready to go; they just need the means to travel. Our army of believers is constantly growing, with new believers in one province becoming the force to reach the next. It is truly awe-inspiring to witness this expansion.

Thank you for your unwavering prayers and support. With your help, we are transforming lives and spreading the Gospel across Thailand, making an extraordinary impact together.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year

Dwight & Mary Kay Martin



A glimpse into just two of the countless village outreaches illuminating this year's Christmas season

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## Personal Update

2024 has been a whirlwind of travel and blessings for us! Every month in 2024 Dwight made the journey from Chiang Mai to Central Thailand-an average of a six-hour drive-to attend church openings, baptism services, and to train AFT church leaders. Despite the exhaustion, these trips bring Dwight immense joy as he witnesses firsthand the lives of thousands being transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Mary Kay joins him on some of these trips whenever she can.



November 29: Baptism of 2,115 people!

Mary Kay has also been blessed with the opportunity to visit the US this year to spend cherished moments with our children and grandchild. For those of you with grandchildren, you can surely relate to the immense joy this brings her. Dwight also had the opportunity to return to the US for a short time to be with the family.

In December, we had the privilege of attending the Christian and Missionary Alliance Global Leadership Conference in Athens, Greece. With the trip covered, we took advantage of our time there and explored other areas in Greece, including Corinth, Nafplio, and various ancient sites.

We plan to be in Birmingham in April 2025 and look forward to seeing many of you while we are there.

We deeply appreciate your prayer support and ask that you continue to pray for our safety during our travels. Nearly every time Dwight drives to Central Thailand, he sees a traffic accident, which always reminds us to be thankful for God's support and protection on our journeys.

If you would like to bless us with a year-end gift, please mail your check to:

The C&MA Alliance Attn: Marketplace Ministries One Alliance Place, Reynoldsbury, OH 43068 on the memo line write "Dwight & Mary Kay Martin/mm"

We pray you have a blessed Christmas filled with love and a New Year with peace and joy.

The staff at the eSTAR Foundation, Chiang Mai, Thailand

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