



Equipping God's People

It is hard to believe we have been back in Thailand for over three months. Since being back we wanted to share with you what we have been doing.

Five years ago we had no idea the impact technology could have in helping to spread the Gospel. Now we are in the middle of it all, providing technical solutions to help ministries to be more effective.

A key tool we maintain is the Thai church database. Here are some ways it is being used to spread the Good News.

Thailand Evangelism Committee

(TEC) This committee consists of the top Thai church leadership. Their Vision 2020 is to reach the whole country for Christ by planting a church in every sub-district. This is done by promoting church partnerships and providing tools, resources and encouragement to pastors. We help by providing the TEC with maps and data to help them make informed decisions.

Every Home for Christ Thailand

(EHCT) This ministry's goal is to distribute literature into two million homes per year over the next 10 years. Working with local churches EHCT provides the literature and leadership resources to help churches start daughter churches.

EHCT is also working with the TEC to accomplish Vision 2020. We provide the names of churches, pastors, demographic data and maps. Using this data a strategic plan to efficiently cover every home in Thailand has been developed.

My Hope Thailand

We have partnered with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association over the past 6 months by providing them database and call center services. We kept track of the churches and individuals involved with this project to make sure they had everything necessary. At end of the project we followed up with each church and learned that 12,000 people made a commitment to become a Christ follower.

My Hope Easter

Due to the success of My Hope Thailand, the Thai leaders decided to do My Hope Easter. This project ends next month and we are providing similar database and call center services. We are trusting the Lord that many more people will come to know Jesus through the testimony of the thousands of Thai believers who have been involved with this project.

Other organizations

We provide information to many mission organizations and missionaries who are looking for data to help them with their ministry projects. We are able to provide them with the maps and data so they can make strategic decisions in spreading the Gospel.

Earlier this month we released the **2009 Status of the Thai Church** and sent it to interested organizations and people all around the world.

In our next letter we will share about the digital library project. In the past we have written about the Thai Christian Resource Center digital library (<http://www.thaicrc.com>) We will update you on this library and other languages we are working on.

A Precious New Life

Over the past four years, we have had the privilege attending the weddings of several of our staff. Now we are at the stage where these young couples are having children. On April, 2, Duchanee, our first employee, gave birth to a baby boy, TanKhun.

There were no complications during the birth and both mother and child are doing well. Please pray for this young couple as they raise up this precious child. We praise the Lord that both parents are believers.

Speaking of precious children, we wanted to let you know about our two grown up children.

Our son Tim continues to work in Birmingham as a cartographer. He is enjoy-



ing his work and continues to gain more and more responsibility at his company. We are grateful he is still able to help us in his spare time, to create the maps for Thailand. He is presently helping us on a project to put these maps on an interactive web site.

Crystal successfully completed her internship at an accounting firm in Minnesota. We praise the Lord the accounting firm decided to hire her full time, starting in October. In the meantime she will live with Dwight's brother Stan and his wife. During this time she plans to study for the CPA exams. She is hoping to pass the CPA exams before starting work in the fall.

We praise the Lord that they are both healthy and each are in a good place.

Please pray for Thailand

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As you watch the international news you have probably seen news about the “red shirt” protests taking place in Thailand right now. First of all, we want to let you know that for the most part, they are not affecting us. We just need to be careful where we travel. However, what is happening is very serious. In our Sept 2008 prayer letter we wrote about the “yellow shirt” protest. The result was that the “yellow shirts” where able to collapse the government and put their man into power. The opposite is happening now. The “red shirts” are protesting to try and collapse the government. They want new elections because they are confident



they will win and can put their man into power. Sadly, 24 people have died during these protests. As I mentioned two years ago, this is a fight for the heart and soul of the country. With an aging king, there is much vying for power in the country. The big concern for everybody is that this has the potential of ending up in a bloody civil war. On the other hand, I am optimistic that this will be a time when thousands of Thais will look for hope beyond what they currently see. I pray it will be a time for revival to spread across this nation. I believe the pieces are place for this to happen.

Prayer Requests

- For God’s direction and guidance as we formulate plans to proceed with new projects
- The My Hope Easter Project—that many more Thai’s will become Christ followers
- The country of Thailand—that many will find their security in Jesus during these troubling times.

Praises

- Crystal was offered a full time job
- God has opened the doors to partner with many different evangelistic projects in this regions
- The 12,000 new believers through My Hope Thailand

Thank you for blessing us

We are so privileged to have you join in partnership with us in the ministry in Thailand. We are aware every day of the fact that without your prayer and financial support, we could not be here. We try to send out monthly emails to all ministry partners, but unfortunately we don’t have email addresses for everyone. If you are not receiving our email and would like to, please let us know by emailing us at: dmartin@pactecasia.com. We also post most of our emails at <http://www.dwimar.com>. You can go to this website and catch up with what we have written.

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