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# Dwight and Mary Kay Martin Serving in Southeast Asia



# First Term Accomplishments

"Looking back over what has been accomplished and what I have observed, I must say I am most pleased—in the context of Jesus, I'd even say proud, but only in that context." Romans 15:17 (MSG)

As we prepare for furlough we would like to take this opportunity to share some of the things God has accomplished during these past 3 ½ years in Thailand. When we arrived in SE Asia in 2006, we had no idea what God had in store. It has been truly amazing to see God at work. Here are some of the highlights:

# PactecAsia Co., Ltd.

When we prayed about the options of how to do ministry in Thailand, we sensed God leading us to establish a for-profit company. The company provided us with visas, a platform for ministry and ultimately a way to fund projects. We know God hand-picked each employee in the way He led them to work with us. Some came to us in miraculous ways. Through the company we are able to minister to them whether they be Buddhist or Christian.

## Thai Christian Resource Center (THAICRC)

The one thing God called us to do was to create a digital library of Christian resources in the Thai language. Resources are available in Thailand, but difficult for national Christians to obtain. By creating the <a href="http://www.thaicrc.com">http://www.thaicrc.com</a> over 4,000 resources are now available, and the number of resources grows daily. Thousands of Thais from over 40 countries have used this website since it went live on September 2008.

For those without internet access, this same digital library is available via 4 GB flash drive. Over 1,500 Thai Christians have obtained one of these flash drives. In addition to the comprehensive Christian library, this flash drive contains an interactive Bible study program with four versions of the Thai Bible and two Thai Bible dictionaries. Many pastors have expressed their gratitude for this tool, as it has helped them greatly in their ministry.

#### Partnering with Thailand Evangelism Committee (TEC)

Dwight was invited to serve on the board of the TEC. This came about because of connections through Dwight's parents serving as missionaries in Thailand 30 to 60 years ago and his technical skills. His role on the board is to provide statistics and maps on the Thai church so national pastors know where to establish churches. In this role, this ministry has become an integral part of the national-driven Vision 2010 plan of starting a church in every district of the country. This role will continue through the coming Vision 2020 plan of starting a church in every village.

### Friendships with Thai People

We have been privileged to develop friendship with dozens of Thais, both Buddhist and Christian. We have been able to share our faith with many of these friends as well as encourage them in their walk with the Lord.

There are many other things we can share but don't have the space. We look forward to doing that individually as we are able to visit with you during our short furlough.

#### **Praise**

Crystal was able to spend the summer with us.

For good physical checkup results from the doctor.

God is at work in Thailand.

God continues to bless the ministry He has given us.

We have found someone to manage the office while we are on furlough

# **Prayer**

That God will be glorified in all we do.

Our furlough plans will come together.

Safety as we travel to the US.

The office will not have any major problems when we are on furlough.

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# Plans for Next Term



It is our desire that God will be glorified and all nations reached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If this is to be accomplished, the Thai church must be integrally involved. It is God's mandate that all churches reach out to other nations.

We believe Asians in general are more effective missionaries in reaching their fellow Asians. What hinders many is a lack of training and resources. With this in mind, we sense God leading us to expand the role of the Thai Christian Resource Center to become a Center for World Missions in Thailand. To facilitate the development of this Center, Dwight will be visiting the US Center for World Missions in October to learn more.

We have established partnerships with other ministries in Thailand, such as the IMB and OMF who have a vast amount of resources in English. We will facilitate translating these for the Thai church to be part of this missions center.

Other plans include the development of resource centers for other nations similar to what has been developed in Thailand. We are already working with partners in Nepal, Laos, and Cambodia.

Finally, we desire to expand the business aspect of PactecAsia Co., Ltd. so it can become self-sustaining.

Pray for more U.S. customers requiring data entry and other services that can be done over the Internet.

# Furlough Schedule

Our current furlough plans are as follows:

### October

1-4 Los Angeles (US Center for World Missions)

5-7 Seattle, Washington

8-12 Idaho

13-17 Wyoming

18-20 Colorado

21-28 Minnesota

29-31 Alabama

### November

1-31 Alabama

## December

1-20 Alabama

21-30 Minnesota

31 Return to Thailand

Mary Kay and I look forward to visiting as many of our ministry partners as possible during these three months.

We would welcome the opportunity to share with you about what God is doing in Thailand.

Please contact us at 205-483-2221 or email dmartin@pactecasia.com

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# God's Blessings on You



We praise the Lord that you are able to bless us through your prayers and financial support for our ministry.

We pray for you as the Psalmist writes in Psalm 67:1-2 "GOD BE merciful and gracious to us and bless us and cause His face to shine upon us and among us — That Your way may be known upon earth, Your saving power (Your deliverances and Your salvation) among all nations." (AMP)

We pray that God will be merciful to you, bless you, and that God's face will shine upon you so that His saving power will be known throughout Thailand and other parts of Southeast Asia.