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HALL FAMILY

Following the call of God to evangelize, disciple, and  
organize a church among the people groups in

Northern Thailand



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*Dear Praying Friends,*

Happy New Year! We look back on the last year with gratitude in what we've seen God do. It's had its hardships, but even in that we've seen an unchanging God. Early in 2022 we were stateside finishing up a furlough when my Dad passed away unexpectedly. The grief was unlike anything I had experienced before and I'm so thankful that I could be with my mom and siblings during that very difficult time. God was gracious to us in many ways.

After we returned to Thailand in April we jumped headlong into the ministry. It was our first time away since we had moved to Thailand and it made us understand even more how our hearts were knit to this place and people. And we saw how God was at work here even while we were away. When we returned, Boss approached me and expressed renewed interest in studying the Bible and growing in His knowledge and understanding of Scripture. He has proven himself to be faithful and teachable and we have spent countless hours studying the Bible together. I praise God for how He has worked in Boss's life to bring him to Scriptural truth in many areas! Please continue to pray for Boss and for his wife, Neyney. They have some big spiritual decisions to make and we are praying that they would seek first the Kingdom of God.

There are some new developments in our building situation that I'm excited to share with you! For the last two and a half years we have been meeting in a building close to our house and it has been a blessing and a help in the ministry. We hold Bible studies there, teach English, and I also have a personal office where I can work without interruption. We have been praying for a place with better parking (our current building has room for a couple of motorcycles and one vehicle) and God provided even more than we could have asked for at the same price we were already paying! We have signed the contract on the new building and the landlord is willingly paying for a complete renovation and addition. Work has begun and we hope to move in by next month. This new building provides much more parking and also a large area outdoors for the children to play! God is good.

The Lord has provided many opportunities to share the Gospel with people in the last couple of months! Fu and Michelle continue to show great interest in the Gospel. Alyssa has been able to study the Bible with Michelle several times, clearly communicating the Gospel. Her husband, Fu, is very busy but I praise God for a few opportunities to speak with Him as well. Another man I'd like you to pray for is Duan. He is one of my English students and we've been developing a relationship with him for the past few months, showing the love of Christ and looking for an open opportunity to share Christ with him. There have been some recent circumstances in his life



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that have made him more open to talking about spiritual things and this week Boss and I spent a lot of time with him sharing the Gospel. He asked if we could meet again in a few days to continue the conversation and he seems very open! Pray for Duan.

I've mentioned Flame many times in the past. Just recently he was in a major car accident but his life was spared in a miraculous way. Pray that God would use this in his life to bring him to salvation.

I don't have room here to share with you every person that we are working with and spending time with, but we are thankful that God has given us many opportunities through hospitality, English classes, and Bible studies to love others and share Christ.

At the end of November we welcomed my Mom, siblings, niece, and our missionary friends, the Kuzels, to spend two weeks here with us. It was a packed two weeks with a lot of introductions to Thailand and its people. We had a great time! And time spent with family becomes more valuable as time goes on. The day after they left for the airport, we welcomed Eliza Rogers, a friend of ours from LVBC who has come to work with us for an extended time. She's already been a huge help to the ministry by refining our English class curriculum, doing private tutoring, helping with the kids so Alyssa can come along with me to do couples Bible studies, and much more.

December was a busy month for us and yet it wasn't. We have learned that churches of every kind here put their people to work in a very intense way, making them almost completely unavailable. We are thankful for a few opportunities we had in the way of hospitality and Christmas parties. We had a good group for our English Class Christmas Party and I was able to clearly present the Gospel.

As we look forward to the year ahead, we pray that God would give us wisdom in how to spend our time. The opportunities to spend time with people are abundant and growing and I need God's help to prioritize. Thank you for your faithfulness over many years to pray for us and to pray for Thailand. It's not a completely hopeless place as long as the light of the Gospel is held high. We pray that the light of Gospel would shine brighter this year!

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