



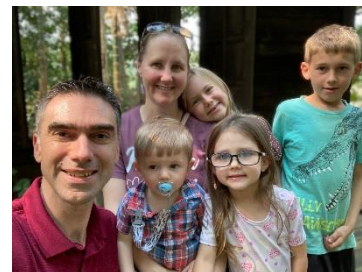
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February 17, 2023 – We praise God for much answered prayer over the last month of ministry. It's been a month of transition from cool season to hot season, and from a simplified task list to a full schedule of teaching and outreach. We've entered burning season again and are grateful to receive some rain over the last two days. What a relief that is from the dust and smoke-filled skies. We appreciate your prayers for our health and strength in these days of transition. Let me share some recent blessings and challenges for prayer.

Family News: My wife and I celebrated our shared birthday on February 1st by visiting with a few like-minded missionary families in Chiang Mai. As we settle back into patterns of ministry, we are investing more time to than ever before to help our children build good friendships on this side of the world. I appreciate Anne's diligence in this area. We're also trying our best to reach out to a family in our church each week for intentional fellowship. We appreciate your prayers for us to keep the right balance between fellowship, homeschooling, and outreach.



Evangelism Update: The Lord continues to bring visitors to our church services as we are faithful to go with the Gospel. We recently visited a set of apartments that was extra-attentive to the preaching and testimonies. One lady, named

DeeDee, came out for the Sunday morning service and then invited us to visit their home. We stopped by this past Sunday and met her husband and son. Both men are looking for an escape from the shackles of alcohol addiction, and were receptive to the Scripture shared. Please be in prayer for this family and that their son would follow through and attend services with his mother.



Discipleship Progress: Thank you for your prayers in regard to growth in discipleship. Last week, we started a new weekly study at Bro. Luke's house. Our first study turned into a salvation study, due to the visit of two co-workers of Bro.

Luke. Please pray for La Min and Gu Saw to have a hunger and thirst for righteousness. La Min was especially attentive to the teaching and asked some great questions. Last night we resumed the discipleship theme, encouraging Bro. John in his study of God's Word. Please pray for good communication as Bro. Luke and I work together to teach in both the Thai and Burmese languages.



Language Learning: Speaking of vocabulary, Anne and I have resumed some weekly Thai instruction with our language tutor. That has been helpful to grow in our usage of the Thai language, and for preparation of teaching material for Thai-speaking children that regularly attend church. We've been adding more Thai teaching to our Sunday schedule to help these children grow in their understanding of God and His Word. I've also resumed some Burmese language learning, which is challenging, but good.

English Teaching: Restarting my English groups has been slow, but I'm trusting the Lord to connect me with the right students. We are about to begin a children's group again this week, starting with children that attend church each Sunday. March 15-17 will be our Bible English Camp and we are thankful for the workers that God is bringing together for this special outreach. We appreciate your prayers as we seek to lead these students into a better knowledge of Jesus and His Word. I'm staying busy with updates to our building to expand the use of the rooms upstairs for classes and activities.

Myanmar Bibles: The border is still closed despite several verified reports that it would open last month. This hasn't stopped our regular Bible shipments. We are reaching further into the country all the time, as Pastors help to connect us with other Pastors and churches that need copies of God's Word. Thank you for your faithful support and intercession!

Nat, Anne, Paul, Ellie, Rachel, and Luke Williams