



Lambert Family Update March 2010

It has always been my ambition to preach the Gospel where Christ has not been named" (Romans 15:20)

India

I could take a whole newsletter just to talk about my December trip to India! Check my blog www.johnlambert.wordpress.com for the stories. It was hugely eye-opening and such a life-changing experience. The Indian church has so much to teach us about sacrifice, service, hospitality, humility, and living for the glory of God. I went by invitation of my friend Freddy De los Reyes. We served the Indian churches of "Love in Action Fellowship" by preaching and teaching at multiple venues including a huge yearly music festival that drew an estimated **seventy-five thousand people!**

Crusade Of Three Thousand

At another crusade that drew about 3000 people, I was in the middle of the climax of my presentation of the Gospel when the power shut off to everything and darkened the field and stage. This actually turned to our favor as everyone stayed still in rapt attention as the **Christians present began to sing worship** and others worked to get the power back on. When it finally came back on, I finished preaching about the power of God over darkness. In the end, God wins!



75,000 people at yearly music festival!

Christmas

I made it back from India just in time for our **first Christmas in Thailand**

with our little "Charlie

Brown" tree. The boys didn't know the difference and loved receiving their gifts and goodies. Brayden got Nerf guns, and Aslan got a remote control "Wall-E" robot among other things. Jacqueline and I both missed our

family and friends, **but we love where we are** and wouldn't have it any other way.

Saber Project

As part of coming up with creative ways to teach semi-literate future leaders, I purchased three Saber MP3 units and loaded them with **over 20 hours of Gospel teaching and music in both Isaan and Thai languages.** As part of my field testing, I gave these players to two

new Isaan farmers who have become believers, and one to a man who is lying in bed dying of cancer. Their feedback has been



Saber MP3 units loaded with teaching and music.

encouraging to say the least, as they are so excited about the teaching they are hearing, **the majority of it for the very first time.** I can see us using these players to train house church leaders who are working in their fields from sun up to sun down almost every day of the year, and those we cannot visit each week due to time and distance. **Stay tuned as we hope to purchase more in the months ahead.**

Strategic Conference

My week-long trip to the annual SEANET conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand, was

phenomenal! I met with



Preaching at Christmas outreach in India!

indigenous leaders and missions practitioners from over a dozen Buddhist majority nations and came back with a wealth of new ideas and materials. Most of the participants have been serving the Lord as missions practitioners for decades; one of them for over 45 years! As a first-year missionary, I was **greatly challenged to really understand what Buddhists believe and work to contextualize** the Gospel in a way that they can better understand.

Seeking Out Forerunners

Through a new SEANET contact, I set up a meeting for our team to meet with this Isaan pastor who lives about



Pastor Daeng from Roi Et.

two hours away from our city. I didn't know what to expect but believed that this meeting was a key to expanding our ministry among the Isaan people. We had a

wonderful time and went away with about **150 Christian original songs contextualized in the Isaan Mar Lam style, teaching on how to do 14 different Christian ceremonies in the Isaan way**, and a load of hard-earned life lessons about planting churches among the Isaan people. **This meeting was the fulfillment of many months of searching these things out and watching God make the divine connections.** So cool! We are looking forward to hashing out how all of these things fit into the new groups that are forming in the villages. The music is definitely going on the new Sabers!

New Gen Evangelism

We are happy to announce the completion of the first phase of a project we envisioned to reach the Thai online generation. Check out our new web site **www.kwamrak.org**. Kwamrak means "Love" in Thai. I, John, designed and wrote the articles for the site and our assistant, May, translated everything into Thai. **We are currently using the site to reach out to young Thais** on popular Asian social networking sites



like Hi5. It will be part of our ongoing strategy in local city evangelism as well.

Coming to the USA

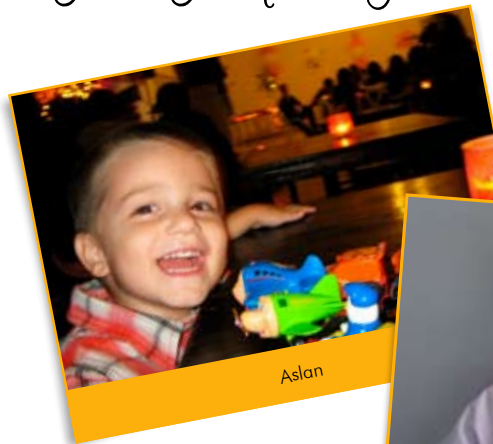
We are planning to return to America for a visit! We hope to arrive toward the **end of April and stay through the month of May**. Most of our time will be spent in North Carolina, but we will also make visits to Florida and Louisiana. If possible, we would like to connect as we meet with and **build up our support team**. If you would like us to speak to your group or church, let us know and we will see if we can work it out!

New Online Giving

We are very happy to let you know that we now have secure **online giving with AUTO DEDUCT available**. If you would like to partner with us without having to remember your commitment each month, quarter, or year, you can go to **www.freedomhousechurch.org/give** and set up an account. Choose "Missions" and "Lamberts." Thanks for supporting our work here in Thailand. **Your faithful giving of any amount at any time does make a difference!** Remember us in your prayers as we remember you.

For the Unreached of Asia,

John, Jacq, Brayden, & Aslan



Aslan



Brayden