

THE LAMBERTS

IN THAILAND

"Publish his glorious deeds among the nations. Tell everyone about the amazing things he does." Psalm 96:3



Did you know? Out of 65 million people, 99% of the Thai Don't Know Jesus. (95% Are Buddhist, 4% Muslim)



IN THIS UPDATE: JOHN'S MOM COMES FOR A VISIT, MONK DIALOGUES, PIONEERING FOR BUDDHIST BACKGROUND BELIEVERS, NEW MEDIA OUTREACHES, AND MORE!

Hello Friends and Family,

The last few months have been filled with exciting events and great breakthroughs here in Thailand.

John and his ministry partners have been visiting a famous local Buddhist temple each week to learn more about what Buddhism teaches. All sessions are in Thai only, so the language muscle is being stretched!

Doors have opened for them to not only share the Gospel with the monks, but also to form friendships and sharpen their presentation of the Good News for the Buddhist heart & mind.

Please pray for more opportunities like this and for breakthrough in the Buddhist world concerning communicating the message clearly.

Recently, 8 new Buddhist background believers were baptized using local contextual forms that speak to the heart and culture of the Thai people.

John has been working with his partner to help prepare the way in pioneering these expressions of faith, writing their "case studies", and sharing their work with other mission groups & networks!



PRAY FOR OUR FRIEND



PREPARING FOR BAPTISM



VILLAGE MOVIE OUTREACH

YOU ARE THE REASON WE ARE ABLE TO DO WHAT WE DO... THANK YOU.

Last month marked our one year anniversary in the city of Chiang Mai. This has been a year of critical relationships and valuable foundation laying for us in both ministry and as a family. Recently, we received our new Thai visas & work permits which allows us to stay longer in Thailand.

We have been strengthening our relationships with other like-minded leaders by praying together four mornings a week, doing outreaches together, and sharing resources. This group is becoming a "Hub" which ministry is flowing out from. We plan to expand on the vision the future. We will keep you posted.

Together, we have been asking ourselves, "What will it take for all of Thailand to come to Jesus?" The answer is, "Nothing short of a churching planting movement." We have also been developing new ways to build "bridges" to the Thai people's heart instead of "walls". Pray that God will lead us to find ways to be more and more effective.

Recently, John created "Kairos Thailand", a network of a growing number of missionaries working in Thailand. Through the use of a password protected site, like-hearted leaders are able to share new methods and personal insights.

Human Trafficking is a huge problem in Southeast Asia, so it was very encouraging to see hundreds of people from over 180 organizations attend the Asia Pacific Forum on Human Trafficking sponsored by "Not For Sale." This was the first gathering of it's kind for the region. We learned so much during this conference about how we can do our part to end modern slavery.

This month leaders from all over South East Asia and the Philippines attended the Youth with a Mission (YWAM) Indo-China conference here in Chiang Mai. John had the privilege to teach two training sessions for the Frontier Missions group. Both of the messages were very well received. It is quite possible that we will visit some of these countries and leaders to do more training in the future.

With the help of an awesome media ministry, Create International, and a short term missions team, John and his partner Ben, held an outdoor outreach in a village showing a Gospel movie in the Northern Thai dialect. This movie and outreach is the first of its kind for the Northern Thai. Villagers heard the message of how Jesus set us free and restores families! This type of event helps to open homes in new communities where we had no contacts before. It was a perfect event for team ministry. We are hoping to use it as an ongoing model of ministry for the future.

And in addition to all of this, John's mom came to visit us for two weeks! It was her first time out of the country and she had a great time. She was able to see what life is really like for us here. It was our first family visitor in the two and half years of being in Thailand. Although, it was sad when it was over, we know she left with peace seeing the blessing of obedience to God's call on our lives. So, when are you coming?

On the family front, things are going well. Our little man, Aslan, is turning five! He continues to go to therapy several times a week in addition to school. Our big man, Brayden, is becoming a "football" pro (soccer). He is still excelling at school, studying all subjects in both Thai and English. Jacqueline continues to manage our exciting and sometimes challenging "Third Culture" life by God's grace and strength!

We hope that you and your family are abounding in the grace and love of God. We are truly grateful for your continued support; in prayer, finances and encouragement. All of these things are needed for our long term success.

Thank you for all you do. It really makes a difference! You are changing lives!

Much Love From Thailand,

John, Jacqueline, Brayden, & Aslan

PLEASE PRAY

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