

OUR MINISTRY IN THAILAND

This year has been one of the very challenging years of our marriage life as well as ministry life as we moved from Papua New Guinea to India, then to Thailand. Nancy has been struggling for many months with her pregnancy due to long hours of travelling to ministry sites both in India and Thailand. We are thankful and greatful to God that by the grace of God, she endured without much complications. On the 5th of October, the LORD has blessed us with a precious gift of a new life, a girl. We named her 'Nimbine Lemshong' before she was born. Her name means 'The LORD is our Wellspring of Blessings'. This name reminds us of the faithfulness of God in providing our daily needs as we stepped out in faith with our decision to serve as missionaries all our life, wherever and whatever God leads us. We are thankful to God for leading us to serve among the people of Thailand. We currently living in Chiang Mai at

Bhaan Thawai Home Church Christian Family Chiang Mai, Thailand.



the Bible League Foundation and were invited to serve and fellowship with the members of the Bhaan Thawai Home Church. Bhaan Thawai Home Church is a home of a business family. The family were once a devoted Buddhists converted and became faithful christians. They open and dedicated their home for weeklyBible study program, Sunday school and Sunday worshipserveice.

The space can cater upto 50 people. But today from initially four members house church this year under Vision 2020, it is growing upto 70+ members. The church leaders and elders are planning for expension of room and purchase of

a suitable building for place of worship. Nancy and I are assisting in Music, Sunday School, Bible Study and Preaching and involving in English Learing Centre.

I spend four hours each week volunteer teaching English at Bhatan Temple Primary School. The school is attached with the Buddhist temple. None of the teachers and students there are Christians.

At the Bible League (TBLT), we help distribute Bibles to different churches and christian organisations throughout Thailand. One of the major project of Bible League



(TBLT) Foundation is Vision 2020 and beyond. TBLT supplied Bible together with Bible Study materials to every new believers under this vision.

Involvement in Vision 2020

We are the first group of foreign volunteer missionaries to serve and participate in this vision. We are encouraged to promote partnership of Bible League and Churches under Vision 2020 in Thailand with our local churches, mission organizations, and Christian individuals in Papua New Guinea, Australia and in India. We are inviting them through TBLT to visit Thailand and to participate in Church Planting Projects and Evangelism programs under Vision 2020.

Partners of Vision 2020 can participate in this souls harvesting mission in the following manner:

- 1. Sponsoring Bible and Bible Study materials for the New Believers,
- 2. Taking up a church building project of house churches or new Christian villages under vision 2020,
- 3. Supporting local evangelists to effectively participate in the evangelism program under vision 2020,



4. Sponsoring gift boxes for Christmas Child Program (CCP), an evangelism program under vision 2020 to reach the unreached villages. The program begins around November and ends around January each year.

From time to time Rev., Dr. Narong Tongsuk and I would sometimes accompanied by other foreign and local missions partners to attend special meetings evangelistic programs in each house churches, and to visit new church planting sites and so on. By the end of 2020 under Vision 2020, we are aiming to reach one million unreached and unheard population of Thailand with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Please feel free to contact us if the LORD speaks through your heart and is leading you to participate in the Thailand Nationwide Vision 2020. We are waiting to warmly welcome you to work together in this harvest field.

MESSAGE FROM ...



Rev. Dr. Narong Tongsuk. The Bible League Thailand (TBLT), National Director. The Founding Leader of Thailand Nationwide Vision 2020 & beyond. Dear All beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

I would like to share with you what God has been working through us since January 2017, so far more than 12,000 people have heard the Good News, 5,654 people (3,179 adults and 2,475 children) accepted Jesus Christ, 925 new believers baptized, and 139 house churches established. In order to help our team members to work more enthusiastically, we have set a 70-day target (Nov. 1, 2017-Jan. 10, 2018) to bring 1,600 people to Christ and raise 100 evangelists (Philips) from our church members to lead house churches.

Rainy season has gone for this year. Now the so called "winter season" in Thailand has started. Most of our team members have finished their harvests of rice and corns. And we have started our winter evangelism since Nov. 1, which it is called "Bringing God's love to communities." Our team members have been better equipped with God's power and training through the Bible League. As a result, they become more effective in evangelism, discipleship and church planting. We have sent our team members to survey as many villages/communities as possible. After which we will send a team comprising of 3-5 members to work in each village to prepare people in the village for the Good News. Once the village is ready to be opened for the Good News, our team will go to organize the "Bringing God's love to communities," in that village to harvest souls and establish a house church for the village. In each village, we need 80-100 gift boxes (\$3-5 for each) and \$100 for food as a part of their fellowship and culture. We are prayerfully targeting at 50 new villages.

Therefore, please convey our needs to your church, other churches and Christian families you know and kindly continue to pray for us so that what we do will be greatly beneficial to the soul harvest ministry in the central Thailand.

Thank you for your generous helps in advance.

On $13^{\text{th}} - 20^{\text{th}}$ Dec. I will accompany Rev. Narong to participate in the ongoing evangelistic program started since Oct. Pray with us that we will boldly share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with clarity and power. Some highlights of ongoing evangelistic program:



VISION 2020 & BEYOND, CHURCH PLANTING, 2017.



The Vision 2020 & beyond aims at building 500 new churches amongst unreached Thai villages throughout Thailand. This is a new mission movement started in Phetchabun Province of Thailand and this missions movement is spreading to other neighboring provinces, and number of new believers are growing and increasing each month needing proper and permanent building and place of worship. The picture of the building is a newly constructed church building under this vision to cater for growing new believers in Wang Pong District of Phetchabun province. The members from different house churches will be attending this church. Each of the house church will be provided church building funds under the vision through individual mission partners and organizations to expand and multiply the church planting and evangelism into the future.



This new church building was built and inaugurated this year. There was no church there before. This is the first church building built in that area under the Vision 2020. It is surrounded by Buddhist villages. At the opening of the church there were Buddhist devotees and families came forward and surrendered their life and their old religion and accepted Christ. Through this church more house churches will be founded and eventually will result in expending daughter churches amongst unreached Buddhist villages in the years to come.

HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDDHISTS CONVERTING TO CHRISTIANS.



At the end of the sermon, this man came forward and wanted to receive Christ, so the house church pastor led him through sinner's prayer and the church leaders gathered around and prayed over him. That same day he was baptized along with other 117 new believers and became a new man in Christ. That Sunday itself, amazingly total of 118 new believers were baptized (pictures below). It's the amazing grace of God!





One Buddhist woman attended our service on Sunday 25/11/17 at Bhaan Thawai Home Church, Chiang Mai. At the end of the service she came forward for prayer of salvation. She could not say the prayers properly and was struggling to mention the name of Jesus. Afterward, as we lift our hands and voices and prayed towards her, she fell from the chair and had stomach pain and began to vomit. We prayed in the authority of the name of Jesus Christ and the evil spirit left her. She was rejoicing in tears afterward and testified that she has found a new life in Christ. Her name is Pontuk. Pray that she will grow strong in her new faith and life in the Lord Jesus Christ "Thank you all for your constant prayer support, moral and financial support. We are grateful and



thankful to God for your support. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a blessed celebration in the presence of the LORD. May the LORD shower you with the heavenly blessings as you continue to serve #im. We are looking forward to take another step forward together with you by the grace of God in God's mission."

Paul & Nancy

Prayer Points

- 1. Pray for The Bible League Thailand (TBLT) that Churches in Thailand will come and get more Bibles.
- 2. Eden Mission School, India: Pray for Christian teachers to be recruited next schooling year. Continue to pray for students and teachers there.
- 3. Thailand Ministry: Continue to Pray that God will fully use us to accomplish what He want done in and through our lives here in Thailand.
- 4. Thai Visas and Work Permit: praise God for we were granted one year work permit and visa. My one year visa application is still pending.
- 5. New Member to Our Family: Our first baby girl, Nimbine Lemshong born 05th October 2017. Pray for her good health.

We covet your faithful prayers and grateful for your faithfulness in partnering with us in God's mission. All praise, honor and glory due to HIS Name.

NOTICE

- Individual and families sponsors who still want to sponsor students of Eden Mission School in India can do so through PNGSHM mission's account as follows.
- For more information regarding child sponsor or ministry of Paul and Nancy in India/Thailand; you can contact our PNGSHM office through Mr. Makona Gina (PNGSHM Inc. President) on <u>72850567 / makona.gina@gmail.com</u> or Mr. Aine Kombuk (PNGSHM Inc. Accountant) on <u>72231632 / 72120132 / akombuk@bsp.com.pg</u>.
- ✓ If you are interested to partner and become a member of PNGSHM Inc. Contact above mentioned names or you can email at pngshm@gmail.com. You can follow PNGSHM on <u>https://www.facebook.com/PNGSHM/</u>



Thank you!

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