



Dear Friends,

The past two months have been filled with great opportunities to minister both in our own church, and to others around the country of Thailand. In May we helped with the second annual summer camp for teens of missionaries in our region. This is an incredible group of kids who are serving God with their parents, living out the great commission in far corners of the world. We were amazed and encouraged to see their hearts for God and for ministry!

On the last weekend of June, Alisa and I were privileged to celebrate the anniversary of the Bible Believing Baptist Church of Chiang Rai, as I preached in their services and Alisa spoke for their ladies meeting. We were so encouraged by this great group of Thai and Filipino believers who are laboring together to build a work for Christ. It was especially encouraging because of the fact that pastor Jay Orata is a missionary sent from the Philippines, where he was a product of missions.

Here in our church plant in Lamphun, we have had a very blessed quarter. We started with an extremely encouraging visit from our missions director, Steven Maldoff, for Easter weekend. That Sunday a man by the name of Rush came to see me, and because of the faithful witness of a Christian friend was ready to profess his faith in Christ. Then in June a college student who has been attending regularly chose to trust Christ as well, in large part because of his friend Sanyaa. Sanyaa is a young man who has shown tremendous spiritual growth and maturity this year, under the mentoring of our teammate, Jeff Gross.

In these early days of planting Sila Baptist Church, the majority of our efforts are spent in witnessing to staunch Buddhists. While it can be daunting to invest so heavily in people who may never turn away from their culturally mandated beliefs, the spiritual growth of the believers God has gathered together has been a tremendous blessing in this season. We cannot thank you enough for your faithful

support and prayer for us. Every breakthrough we ever experience happens because of the power of your prayer.



Preaching at the Bible Believing Baptist Church in Chiang Rai, Thailand.



Toto gave a stirring testimony of his conversion to Christ!



Luke, a pastoral intern at our church, is a constant blessing. We are really excited to see how God uses him in his future!

Help pray for these friends we are trying to reach with the Gospel!

- Zach and Opal
- Wong and Sai
- Eck and Beauty
- Tone and Nong
- Rak and Uu'



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