



# Ballou FAMILY

REACHING THAI PEOPLE  
WITH THE GOSPEL OF  
JESUS CHRIST

## CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

Christmas has proven to be an important season of ministry for making new connections and deepening the friendships we have with those considering Christ. This year we set up again to pass out invitations while singing Christmas carols at our walking street market. Among the steady stream of people we regularly encountered friends made through various outreaches in our community. We renewed friendship with some former students, now launched into college. The result of the effort of the whole team was a very special Christmas celebration Sunday, with our auditorium packed near capacity with overflow seating. Several guests from that day have been returning and beginning to understand the basics of the gospel. A testimony and baptism on Christmas Sunday was especially powerful after a message on why Thai people should consider the truth of Jesus Christ.

Several other outreaches in the Christmas season seemed very effective in communicating the message of salvation. Through ongoing ministries in local schools, we had the opportunity to share the gospel with hundreds of students through Christmas programs. Following our outreaches here, a group from our church traveled out to visit the Chermues, church planters from our church, for another truly blessed and packed out Christmas service. Thank you all for your incredibly faithful generosity, and a special thanks to the churches which blessed our family with Christmas gifts!

*Love in Christ,  
the Ballou Family*



