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"And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing." Ezekiel 34:26

Dear Friends,

God has been showering us with blessings for the past several weeks! We have been so excited to watch God working! We are very thankful for each of you for allowing God to use you to bless us. Your prayers, encouragement, and support enable us to keep serving here!

For many months our Sunday morning attendance averaged around 7 people (plus the 10 of us), but 4 weeks ago 17 people came, then the next week we had 16, then the next week we had 28, and then last week 23 people came! Last Sunday was Thai Mother's Day so we were even more surprised to have such a good crowd! We praise the Lord for sending in so many people for church!

Our English classes have also been growing! We are getting to teach English and Bible to more than 40 people each week! The best part of that is that almost all of the children who come say they like the Bible lesson the best, and out of the adult class we have 3 ladies who are really interested in knowing what the Bible teaches. They are asking lots of questions. Please pray for them to understand the Gospel and be saved!

Richard had a public school contact him about teaching English at their school once a week. He told them that he would love to if they would allow him a few minutes to teach the Bible after the English lesson. They agreed. He is now teaching 6th through 9th graders each Friday. Praise the Lord for this new opportunity!

The prison temporarily canceled classes their due to a problem. Pray for them to resolve the problem quickly so the classes can resume. Also, please pray for the former prisoner we mentioned in our last letter. He was supposed to come here, but once he got released, he never contacted us.

Pong, the deaf girl we have been telling you about, felt very unhappy about her decision to join the other church. She quickly realized that the other church didn't intend to translate for her. She said that she had been really learning at our church, but at the other church she didn't understand anything. After much prayer, she finally felt confident that God wanted her to come back to our church. She was baptized on August 5. She is back to being her usual happy self! Please keep praying for Kristi's ability to translate to sign language!

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Please keep praying for Richard's health. The test in June showed that he has hiatal hernia and reflux. The doctor increased his medicine, but that began to cause more migraines. He has lowered the medicine and that seemed to solve the problem. A couple of weeks ago he was helping the children peel some fruit that he is allergic to. Then he ate something that he's not allergic to, but forgot to wash his hands. He had a bad allergic reaction and had to go to the emergency

room. After a shot and oxygen, he was able to go home just 30 minutes later. Praise the Lord that medicine was able to help so quickly. Dealing with each of these health problems is frustrating, but we praise the Lord for giving us the strength we need in each situation.

Also pray for a lady who comes to our church. This past Sunday we had a special meal for all the mothers after church. She was just about to eat when she got a call saying her husband had died. She has a teenage daughter and baby boy. She is a Christian, but her husband wasn't. It's very sad to think of him suffering in Hell. Pray that this thought will encourage the Christians here to witness to others!

Thanks for everyone's prayers for the visas and work permit. It all came in just in time! In July, a new problem came up. The exchange rate took a sharp drop and our support amount came in low. Both added up to a financial crunch. God gave us just what we needed each week and now we are doing some better. Please pray for the exchange rate to go back to it's original level and/or our support to increase! You never know how God will work it out, but He always does.

Thanks for all of your faithful prayers! Without you prayers, we could never be here!

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Romans 10:14