

Women's Ministry in Thailand

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“And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.”

Romans 8:28

Mary's Update



Dear Supporters and Friends,

God is always full of surprises for His children! Some of these surprises may not seem pleasant to go through, from a human perspective but, in the end, they always turn out to be the best for those who love Him, according to Rom.8:28.

On July 5th, I received a phone call from my mother telling me that something was wrong with her body as she suddenly could not walk or keep her balance. Both her right leg and arm had stopped functioning. As most of you would realize she had probably experienced a stroke. About a month prior to this, my mother had suffered a bad fall with her head hitting hard against the edge of the bathroom door. Since then, she has been suffering with headaches many times a day. Unfortunately, she did not let anyone know about the accident until she could not help herself anymore.



As soon as I was informed, I had my mother transferred to Bangkok to be with me so that I could care for her 24 hours a day. Since Saturday, July 7th, I have been taking her to see a doctor that God has gifted with healing powers. My mother has been undergoing a special type of therapy from this doctor, as often as needed. The first two weeks of caring for my mother were a real battle for me as I had to be with her at all times and help her in all areas of life. I had no time to rest or be alone with the Lord. Believe it or not, as soon as I turned to do something else for even a few minutes, she would try to get up to move about, then would fall on the hard floor. This happened almost every day! It was so dangerous. Every time she fell I had to call other people to help lift her because I could not handle her heavy body. Throughout this ordeal, I was so wearied physically and emotionally. At one point, I nearly fainted for lack of rest and a proper meal.



After trying for two weeks, I realized that I could not handle my mother on my own so I decided to hire a caregiver from a service center to be with her 24 hours a day. This is a real need that is urgent and expensive, aside from paying the doctor's fees each visit. Due to this incident, God has allowed me to incur this extra expense of about US \$ 600 above my normal expenses each month. Please pray with me about this need.

On July 15th, when my mother fell again due to her stubbornness, I refused to call anyone to help her get up from the floor. Instead, I chose to preach the gospel to her. I had to

My mother "Sawang" & caregiver "Aeh"

because my mother was so prideful and would not listen to anyone, even in her crisis. So, my co-worker and I took turns sharing the gospel with her while she lay helpless on the floor. After two hours of wrestling with her own self-will, she sincerely opened her heart to receive Christ as her personal Savior and Lord. A week after her conversion, she also confessed her sin to us, her family members. She had been a gambler who had spent all of our family's money and most of our possessions on her habit throughout the past 40 years. Because of her sin, we all (including my sister-in-law and her children) suffered the consequences in many ways. But now, she is a true child of God; one that has truly repented of her sin and is forgiven. Since last week, we all have seen a big change in her that has included her new love of listening to the word of God. Praise the Lord!



My mother "Sawang"

Another piece of good news is that, since last week, God has been using a special type of therapy in my mother's life. Her right arm and right leg have begun to move and be strengthened. She is now learning to walk, little by little, with some assistance and her whole body has been functioning much better. In addition to that, on Sunday 5th, 2012, her caregiver sincerely opened her heart to receive Christ! I am so grateful to the Lord because my mother and her caregiver get along so well and now, they both have the Savior in their lives.

Additionally, I personally have some good news. Three months ago, some of you heard that I was unable to sit because of severe back problems. Now, however, after suffering from these problems for over 30 years my back has been healed!!! I have also been receiving therapy from the same gifted doctor

that has been treating my mother. Even though I was free of pain and able to function normally (sitting as long as I want to) after the first therapy session, I have continued treatment for the past few months to correct my bone structure because it was so greatly messed up. I rejoice in our great Healer and believe that you are also rejoicing with me.

God has been moving greatly, not only among my family but also in the women's ministry, as a whole. Unfortunately, time does not permit me to share all the details. To God be the glory for all the things He has done.

Blessings, Chanaddah Chaisakorn

PS. The special therapy that I referred to above, is not a massage, a chiropractic manipulation, a laying on of hands and certainly not any kind of thing like that. It is something else that I have not seen anywhere else in the world and it cures every disease without medication or surgery. This God-fearing female doctor has a special gift from the Lord that enables her to perform this therapy.

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