

Women's Ministry in Thailand

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*"But in all these things we
overwhelmingly conquer
through Him who loved us."*
Rom. 8:37



Mary's Update

Dear Prayer Warriors,

I have hardly been able to work. This problem started at the end of last year when I experienced dizziness for three months. Then, I had a re-occurrence of my eye problem (age-related macular degeneration), followed by significant exhaustion and finally, a back injury a few months ago. That left me bed-ridden for several weeks. I decided to use this time to rest before the throne of grace by reading and meditating. I also saw the doctor weekly.

Now, I can rejoice in letting you know, that not only am I feeling a lot better but my eye condition is also improving. Therefore, I have been able to focus my weekly teaching on training two key women, Benz and Ping, to become leaders that can assist or substitute for me in different areas. In order for you to know what to pray for them, I will again share with you (below) details about them, their husbands and their children.



Additionally, I have some more good news. Nichapa, who was in prison for 18 months has been set free after an innocent verdict was given two week ago. Praise the Lord!



Ping, Bruce & Tessa MacLean

Bruce is from Southern California and I, Ping, am from Laos. We met each other as missionaries in India in 2001, and came to Thailand six years ago. With so few like-minded Christians in Thailand we were thankful when a missionary friend, from India, introduced us to Chanaddah over three years ago. Shortly after that, we moved to the neighborhood where her condominium was located. I enjoy serving alongside Chanaddah in the women's ministry while Bruce works with the Military Police Christian Fellowship of Thailand. We also serve in a small Thai church.

Our daughter, Tessa, is two and a half years old. She was diagnosed with Rett Syndrome last year. At first, we thought we were finished serving overseas, but God has graciously allowed us to stay in Thailand, a country with excellent medical facilities.

Bruce is studying the Thai language and Lord willing, will someday be able to preach in Thai, without the need for Chanaddah translating his Sunday messages. We love the Thai people and therefore pray that God will open a door for powerful ministry to reach the 99 percent of Thai people who do not know Him. We

know that the Thailand Women's Ministry has great potential to reach women and their families. Having been on the mission field for almost twelve years, our hearts' desire is to disciple men and women, fulfilling the third aspect of the great commission, "teaching them to observe all I have commanded you". We appreciate your prayers.

Benz, Tom & Natee

I, Benz, grew up as a Buddhist. Then, for nine years, I lived as a so-called Christian in Chattanooga, TN. However, in 2009, during our long visit to Thailand, things changed. God led me to the Women's Ministry in Bangkok where I attended weekly bible studies. Through the teaching of God's Word, I became a true, born-again believer and my life was transformed. Shortly after that, God laid a burden upon my heart to help reach the Thai people that do not know Him. I prayed and waited upon the Lord, believing that if He was truly calling me, He would also move in the heart of my husband. My family and I then returned to Chattanooga to continue operating our convenient store business.



Throughout the past four years, I have been studying God's Word (being discipled by Chanaddah since 2009) and reaching out to Thai women in Chattanooga with this. Additionally, I have endured a severe trial by God, an aneurysm of the brain. He mercifully healed me and I am grateful to be alive to be able to testify to His goodness.

Also, in His goodness, He worked on the heart of my husband, Tom, so that in 2011, after attending a Christian men's retreat, his relationship with God began. He is currently being discipled by Bruce MacLean and has developed a heart for reaching the Thai people. He believes that God wants him to leave his business in Chattanooga and move to Thailand to serve full time in the ministry. Our house and business are up for sale and with prayer, we are waiting on God's timing. Please remember us in your prayers.

Lastly, we'd like to praise the Lord for faithfully working in our beloved nine year old son's life. On April 1, 2014, Natee came to true repentance, sincerely surrendering his life to following Christ. The change in his life has been significant. Praise the Lord!

In Him,

Chanaddah Chaisakorn

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