Thailand Women's Ministry Newsletter March 2015

"My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth." Psalm 121:2



Mary's Update



Dear Prayer Warriors,

On Thanksgiving Day, I arrived in the US for a year of sabbatical rest. So far, these past three months have been a welcome change for me, especially after all the hard work, weariness and challenges that I have faced these past six years. I am grateful to now be fellowshipping with Christian friends who understand the struggles that missionaries go through.

During this sabbatical year, I have three very important objectives that I must accomplish:

- 1. To take time to rest in the Lord and be restored physically, emotionally and spiritually.
- 2. To fund raise for the expanding ministry in Thailand.
- 3. To write study materials to match the teachings that are already on CDs.

Upon arrival in the US, I spent the first few weeks resting. Then I sought God's wisdom for a strategic way to fundraise. I began by asking for referrals from five existing supporters as well as from a few of the churches that are still supporting the Thailand Women's Ministry. I also began making new contacts through people whom I have been introduced to but I still have a long way to go in that regard. The Lord encourages me daily as I spend time with Him, reminding me that my help comes from Him who made heaven and earth. I am in good spirits, praying and trusting God to go before me, to touch the hearts of people to partner with me in supporting the work He has called me to do in Thailand.

Seventeen years ago, I established the Thailand Women's Ministry solely by faith and based on the support of only ten faithful donors. It was difficult managing with that little amount of support, but God in His faithfulness, miraculously kept the ministry afloat and later added a few supporting churches.

Over the past three years, the ministry has been expanding while the financial support has been decreasing. With only a few supporting churches and five faithful donors remaining, there is no way I can move forward unless more financial support is raised. Ideally, I need a large team of consistent, strong supporters and I am trusting God to touch the hearts of many to achieve this.

With the Lord using our women's ministries to lead many souls to the saving knowledge of Christ, the workload has increased to all three of us, Benz, Ping and me.

- I desperately need to hire a personal assistant to help me out in different areas.
- We need to produce DVDs of my teachings (which is expensive) so that the Thai women throughout the world can use them to lead small groups more effectively.
- God has been opening doors for me to begin teaching in Asian countries (starting in Myanmar and Laos) once my sabbatical year ends. As these teaching trips are scheduled, I have to fund each of these trips because the believers in those countries are not able to do so.

As my prayer partners and supporters, I want to be very open with you. If I were to keep silent about this, without making the financial needs known, many of you may think that this ministry is financially stable, when in reality, it has been struggling greatly. I truly desire to move forward and expand the ministry according to the Lord's leading.

Though I need to move on to writing study materials (as well as getting more rest), I cannot do so until the financial support is properly raised. I have to press on, giving presentations about the Thailand Women's Ministry to individuals, groups/churches wherever and whenever an opportunity arises, in the hope of raising financial support.

As you read this, please pray for me specifically in this area of fundraising; for referrals by others and for any groups/churches that you know, that may be willing to let me share about our ministry. A single possibility can potentially multiply into many more. I look at this as giving people the privilege of investing in God's kingdom so that their account in heaven may increase. I like the way Paul said it in Philippians 4:17, "Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account."

Currently, I am willing to fly anywhere in the US to give a presentation to a group/church about the work God has called me to do, for the purpose of potential fundraising. Feel free to contact me personally if you have any referrals, and I would appreciate it if you would pass my website on to your friends as a way of introducing me.

Please note that <u>every donor will be sent a tax-deductible receipt if donations are sent through the church below.</u> My website is <u>http://www.theword4women.com</u> and my personal number in the US is: 972-742-3896.

In Him,

Chanaddah Chaisakorn (aka Noi or Mary)

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