

Thailand Women's Ministry Newsletter

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**“Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!”
Romans 11:33**



Mary (Noi) 's Update

Dear Prayer Warriors,



This past January, Ping and I made a teaching trip to Pyin Oo Lwin, Mandalay. A women's conference had been organized by Pastor Philip Zau Awng, Hkwan Pan (his wife), and his staff at St. Matthew's Kachin Baptist Church. The pastor, who was my interpreter, and a few of the men on staff, observed my teaching. The result was God honoring, as the pastor and his staff felt blessed and pleased with my teaching. They told us that it was their first time hearing the solid Word of God being taught in a practical way to the Myanmar women! Ping and I were very encouraged by their positive response and by the fact that they wanted us back for more teaching. We praise God for His supportive hands.

In February, I had another teaching trip planned for another town in Myanmar and had purchased a round trip ticket. Unfortunately, it was at

that time when God had permitted tragedy to strike my family members, one after another. Therefore, I had to cancel those plans and focus solely on ministering to my family members' urgent needs. By June, when everything had started to calm down, I thought I would start writing some study materials. Instead, God had other plans for me because my eye problem

reoccurred, followed by severe back pain. Since I could not function as usual, I was feeling miserable. Fortunately, I was able to lie down and meditate on God's goodness. Although I wanted to continue with work and ministry, it seemed as though God wanted me to rest in Him and not worry about why these problems had occurred. Truly, God changed all of my plans. I am learning to accept God's plans and not question Him as He has every right to do whatever He pleases. I am still learning to "die to self" and joyously submit to God's sovereign control.



I am grateful to the Lord to have the body of Christ (all of you) praying for me, especially in regards to my health. Over the past several weeks, my eye condition has been greatly improving. In relation to this, I have been paying close attention to my diet, exercising regularly and taking special (and costly) food supplements

daily. Additionally, over the past three weeks, my back problem has begun to improve since I have been undergoing a new therapy called “nerve hammering”! It sounds strange, but it works! I hope and pray that my eyes and back will continue to steadily improve until the rapture! ☺

Note: I have a teaching trip planned for October 24 to 28, which is going to be held in Chiangrai, Thailand. Valaiporn Viriyakovint, Director of Evangelism Explosion (EE), Thailand, will conduct EE’s training and I will be speaking during the evening session on “God’s Will for Women”. Please join us in prayer.

Benz’ Update:



Since last year, my husband, Tom, and I, have had to work full-time in running our convenience store, which is our only source of income. We cannot afford to hire someone to work for us. Tom spends seventy hours a week operating the business as well as dealing with other unforeseen circumstances. This lifestyle is very demanding and has taken away time that we should have been devoting to the Lord and serving Him in ministry. Although I know that God is in control of our situation, I am still concerned for my husband’s spiritual walk with God.

While I am helping Tom in the business, homeschooling my son, and leading a women’s Bible study group, our family time is diminishing. It’s heartbreaking to see my son, Natee, who is in early adolescence, depressed and struggling with his emotional changes with very little guidance or quality time with his father. This situation has become a spiritual battle for our family. We have been praying and waiting upon the Lord to set us free from our convenience store business so that we can be fully devoting ourselves to Him and following His will. Please pray that we can sell the store quickly.

I trust that our Lord is faithful. He promises to answer when I call upon Him. He graciously shows me the wonders of His great love. While I was writing this newsletter, He whispered to me:

“Humble yourself, therefore, under My mighty hand, that I may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Me because I care for you.” 1 Peter 5:6-7

In Him,
Chanaddah Chaisakorn

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