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Missionary to Thailand

REACHING STUDENTS, MAKING DISCIPLES

Celebrating Normal Work

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Happy Labor Day, the holiday no one knows how to celebrate! But God works, God created us for work, and we work for God's glory—that's something to celebrate! Even in "normal" work we can still honor God, and I'd like to honor everyone who does this work!

- **Emails:** A necessity in most work, and especially work abroad. It's easy to be overwhelmed by constant emails, but what a great way to put people first, encourage them, stay in touch, and practice the discipline of a timely response. Some of my recent email topics: receiving and using Light for the Lost funds for an evangelistic newspaper (Thank you, SoCal Network!); future volunteers from a very large Asian nation, which shall not be named, who will join our Take5 team in Lampang (very thrilled about this opportunity!); planning meetings for AG missionaries in Thailand; updates and prayer points for Buddhist and Muslim peoples.
- **Paperwork:** Like email, not always fun, but God cares about details and helps us keep ours straight! My paperwork involves keeping records and sending reports for finances, vehicles, etc. I am committed to be a good steward of the resources God has given me through others (Thank you for your support!).
- **Driving:** Most of us drive somehow for work. Dare I mention the ways driving points out areas in our lives where we need more kindness and patience, among other virtues? Hosting teams took a lot of driving time in town and between cities. Currently I'm searching for a ministry center to host student activities, which involves driving up and down little alleys and around neighborhoods on my motorbike in the tropical heat. Is sunscreen a work expense? ;)



Our student Nung (center) went with us to pick up the Roark family, back from itineration to work at TLC English Center in Chiang Mai. I'm grateful for their service!

Praise and Prayer

PRAISE GOD FOR: fantastic ministry with teams this summer—a record number of volunteers; calling several people to return to serve in Thailand; getting to know people in Lampang and time to spend with them.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: the same things, please: Thai team members for Lampang; ongoing direction for ministry; a place to live and a ministry center; favor with leaders and the community. God is at work, and I am thankful!

Spare Sixty

Will you please spend the next sixty seconds praying for this specific need in Thailand? You may have seen recent news about bombings in Bangkok. Authorities are searching for the perpetrator and the reason for the attacks. Please pray for peace in Thailand and the good that God can bring from tragedy. Pray also that Thai people come to Christ, our Prince of Peace, through this situation.

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