



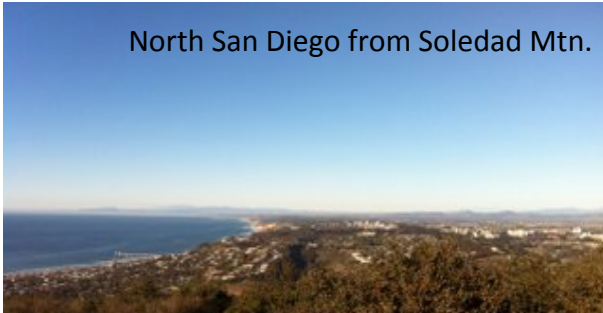
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REACHING STUDENTS, MAKING DISCIPLES

ON THE ROAD...

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North San Diego from Soledad Mtn.

January was a busy welcome-back month with meetings at area churches three or four nights per week for three weeks, plus Sunday morning and evening services. In January and February, I drove 4,367 miles around southern California, from Imperial and San Diego to Riverside, Irvine, Santa Maria, Visalia, Bakersfield, and many places in between. What a beautiful state this is! I have enjoyed spending time with family and friends, and reconnecting with pastors and churches who partner with me.

If your church (or young adult group or small group or women's group or any other group) would like to hear about what God is doing in Thailand and how you can participate, please let me know! My calendar is filled for Sunday mornings, but I am mostly available on Sunday evenings and during the week.

A WHOLE NEW WORLD

Coming back to America has been an interesting experience--some things that are "normal" here (and used to be "normal" for me) now surprise me. Here are a few:

- portion sizes are very, very, very large
- sales tax is added to the labeled price
- cars wait for pedestrians
- drive on the right side (!!!)
- receipts given for everything
- shake hands or hug to greet
- food is not spicy *at all*



Don't forget to check out the Take5 Thailand website for more info!



www.take5thailand.org

MEANWHILE...



Pastor Siriwat is holding a weekly small group for students at the University of Phayao (Take5 pilot site). He is teaching them to bring their friends to Christ!

PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRAISE GOD FOR: safety on the roads; health during flu season; wonderful opportunities to reconnect with friends all over the state, and with those who have partnered with me.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: safety and health! (can't say that enough); willing people to give a year in Thailand with Take5; Pastor Siriwat and the student group in Phayao - boldness and favor to reach more for Christ; funds to come in quickly.

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