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Dear Partner & Friend in the Gospel,

We have just returned from the refreshment of a short holiday – in Singapore for a week staying with our friends (James and Em Prior) and then in Perth applying for our new 1-year visa and staying with Jenny's brother and his family. This came after hosting an Edge Team from America for 5 weeks from June through to mid-July. It would be true to say that we had been feeling quite tired and were ready for a short break away, which God blessed with a restful time – relaxing around the Prior's pool in Singapore and then in Perth seeing Tim (and his girlfriend) who came across from the East Coast for a few days.

Now we are back to a routine for 2 weeks before we are off to Chiang Rai for a couple of weeks to help Karis prepare for her wedding on 22 August.

June and July were primarily filled with the Edge Team visit from America, during which time they helped us out in ministry activities. We have posted a few photos of this along with other events of the last 2 months



Our Edge Team



Getting to know the kids in a nearby slum community



We praise God that over the last 2 months He has provided what has been the two most significant encouragements in our time here in Thailand

- He has guided us to a new church with which to partner here in Samut Prakan. "Muang Samut Prakan Church" encourages us in our ministry in the slum communities and has a similar vision of planting new fellowships of believers within the slum communities. This has been a refreshing time – both to worship and pray with a passionate group of believers.
- After significant research and prayer we have been accepted as a project under a Foundation called "Pioneers of Hope". This is very significant as it not only gives the ministry legitimacy here in Thailand but also provides visas for new team members – which bridges a significant hurdle for the longer term sustainability of us and new workers in this country.



Phil with Pastor Chaiyut from our new church

Now, please turn to the next page for some prayer requests for the next 2 months... ☺



the world is waiting



prayer requests

As we have mentioned before, strongholds here are apparent everyday and so we value your prayer partnership to break down resistance to Jesus and in doing so you join in being a part of the team to reach the Central Thai for Christ. So, we ask that you pray in the following areas

- 1. Time with God** – like Jehoshaphat walked in the ways of the Lord (I Kings 22:43a), we need to hear God's instructions for us daily in order to serve Him in this dark land.
- 2. Family** – pray for our family approaching the transition of Karis' marriage on 22 August to Noom (a fellow leader in YWAM) that God would bless this new relationship and give us a great time together as a family around this celebration.
- 3. Consolidation of current church planting ministry** (Matt. 16:18) – please pray for new believers and growth of the Thai church in the 2 slum communities in which we work and in the 2 other slum communities in which we provide occasional support.
- 4. Specific prayer for breaking down strongholds** (II Cor. 10:4-5)
 - 'Emmy' – questioning mind turn into interest in Jesus
 - 'Dream' – will follow through with her original desire to read the Bible with us each week.
 - 'Neung' – would have faith to make the step to be friends with Jesus.
 - 'Ooi' – would see Jesus in our friendship and make a decision to trust Him.
 - 'Ding' – to be open to joining in our slum church (has on a few occasions) and be touched again by the worship and accept Jesus.
 - Children in the slums – Jet, Diaw, Neil, Jem, Long, Ny, Will, Bin, Kom – that these and others would turn to Jesus in the midst of hopelessness and become leaders of the Thai church in the future



Monks walk across the bridge over 'hell' at the White Temple in Chiang Rai

- 5. God's provision of team mates** (Matt.9:37-38) – PLEASE pray for MORE team members – we need at least another 4-5 units to meet the growing needs. With only the two of us on the team the outreach ministry tends to stop when we are away. Also, every week we are saying no to more opportunities and turning away from new openings in slum communities as we don't have the personnel resources to meet these needs. Truly, the harvest is very plentiful but the labourers are so few!!
- 6. Growth in new partnerships with Thai believers** (I Cor. 12:12) – As we give thanks for a new partnership with a small church here, please pray for blossoming new partnerships with Ajarn Citichai and Ajarn Chaiyut amongst others in the church.
- 7. Language learning** – continue to pray for a natural ability to converse in the Thai language.

Please remember to check out our blog which is updated regularly at www.malones.id.au and our videos at www.youtube.com/user/malonephil .

In the clutches of the cross,
Phil & Jen (for the Malones) ☺

"... I will call on the Name of the Lord, the God who answers by fire – He is God" I Kings 18:24

