

# TOGETHER in THAILAND—Fall, 2011

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## The CHURCH that GOD Builds

These days in Thailand resemble the chorus, “. . .The rains came down and the floods went up. . .” While in the Church we are seeing God move on behalf of His people’s prayers, as “the blessings come down as the prayers go up. . .and the life on the Rock stands firm!”

Natural flooding began in the north in August, and floodwaters threaten any day to overflow the banks of the Chao Praya River which runs through Bangkok. But more significant is the Holy Spirit ‘s pouring out His presence and transformation of lives throughout the churches. Since June God has been answering prayers in marvelous ways as pastors are being strengthened by new mentoring opportunities (N. Thailand), new and growing disciples (Oikos), newly baptized church members (BKK First), and a brand new church plant (Nuan Chan).



BKK First dedication



BKK First Baptism 2011

### *Praise the Lord for:*

Growing awakening of pastors and youth in prayer and worship throughout Thailand !

Completion of 4 Thai texts, 3 VT texts, 2 Chins texts, and soon a Lahu text.

English 4 Life students learned that Jesus loves them, made a way to redeem them, has power to overcome all fear and evil.

A new church being planted in Nuan Chan. 2 children, 1 mother came on first 2 weeks, Aug. 28, Spt. 4.

### *Join in Prayer for:*

9 yr. old Luktao as she is almost ready to accept Christ in faith.

Thoi to hunger to encounter Christ

Thai pastors, lay leadership to be developed.

Health and safety as I travel to and in US.

English 4 Life summer lessons

summer outreach camp--Oikos



Discipling group begins at Nuan Chan



### Faith-Sharing—with or without words

After more weeks of silent prayer for Thoi's heart to be open to hear Jesus love for her and His power to free her from fear, I raced ahead of impending storm clouds one afternoon to find her just reaching her own gate. In less than 5 minutes we exchanged greetings as I said, "Thoi, I realize I haven't told you this often enough, but you need to know that Jesus loves you."

"You should get home before the storm," she replied with a nervous glance at the darkening sky. Then she added, "God covers you."

A few days later after more prayer I shared with her my testimony of how God delivered me from fear in the past year, giving me peace and joy that carries me through the challenges of each day. Though she rather dismissed the faith message, she did hear. I am convinced that God is still working in her heart. Our English lessons have stopped until the rainy season passes and I return from the states. But join me in continued prayer for the day she will see Jesus is her answer for freedom from fear.

But God is still working in my Bangna neighborhood through Duang, my Thai roommate. Several years ago a couple of us expats mentioned to her that she would be a good leader for a small group of household helpers to begin gathering together to learn about Jesus. She opened the group but was hesitant to share anything about Christ right away. Prayers continued. Then in June this year she began to feel God leading her to start being more intentional in sharing His gospel with her friends here in

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Bangna. She asked my advice and began sharing from John 1. The group meets monthly and has already discussed the concepts of Christ's deity and basics of the trinity, truth in Christ and an initial understanding of sin and man's need for a Savior. This past week 8 women met, and as Duang shared their questions and points of contact with Christ's truth my heart soared in praise of the One True God who continues to draw all people to Himself. Please join me in continued prayer for these women.

**At a Glance:** (Praise God/Pray for these events) :

Aug. 7: Dedication of BKK First sanctuary

Aug. 21: 5 newly baptized believers at BKK First who were then received into membership on Aug. 28.

Aug. 25: fellowship dinner with DS from Bangladesh, Pastor Lamp and Pastor Panom in Bangkok.

Sept. 22: I depart BKK for US home assignment

Oct. 26-30: Missional Leaders Conference, Manila

Dec. 29: I return to BKK

Jan. 3-8, 2012: THIRD WAVE 2012, Bangkok, Thailand – international youth leadership training

**Favorite Quote:** "Prayer is the greatest, most lasting, most rewarding investment you can make while alive on earth. Prayer is the most precious gift you can give to Jesus."  
Wesley Duewel, *Ablaze for God*.

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Joyfully Praying and Serving Christ Together with you,

Lisa

**Home Assignment Oct.-Dec., 2011:**

Oct.2AM: Westbrook ;  
Kankakee, IL

Oct-5-12: Mid Atlantic District  
tour (MD, VA),

Oct.7-10 Family of Friends  
Singles Retreat (MD)

Oct.16-23: NE IN District tour

Oct. 24-29: MI, OH visits with  
family

Oct. 30-Nov. 6: Pittsburgh  
District tour

Nov. 8-16: Chicago Central  
District tour

Nov. 20: Lawton, OK Faith  
Promise

Nov. 27-Dec. 18: WA District

Dec. 19-28: holiday time with  
family in WA