

TIDINGS FROM THAILAND

(HOME ASSIGNMENT EDITION)

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Prayer Points

More financial support so we can return to Thailand in January 2012

Renters for our house while we are in Thailand

Those affected by Thai flooding disaster

Praise God

Missionary visa renewed for another year

Karl's graduation from Biola with Th.M degree

Calendar

11/29-12/5 Karl renew visa in Thailand

12/12 Karl at OMF Phoenix prayer group

12/18 Karl preach at Cambodian church GG


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Dear Friends & Family,

We are entering into a time of transition now as our home assignment in the U.S. draws to a close, and we look forward to returning to Thailand within the next month (or two?). Thank you for continuing to lift us up in prayer, and thank you to the many of you who support us and our ministry financially as well.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Last month, we told you that we were under-supported and need more financial pledges to get back to the field by January 2012. We've now reviewed our budget and cut or reduced several items but are still under by about \$1000/month. Why is this? A combination of factors: 1) Within the past year, two partner churches have said they cannot support us in 2012 due to financial reasons, 2) higher cost of rent in Bangkok, and sharp increase in medical insurance rate, and 3) unfavorable exchange rate so we now get less Thai Baht for the U.S. dollar. We are grateful for a few new supporters and a current partner church that has increased support but we cannot leave for Thailand until our support goes up. OMF International will give us clearance to leave based on pledged monthly/annual support, so please let us know if you or someone you know plans to donate and has not yet done so. By mid-December, we will make a decision whether we can leave by the beginning of January or will need to delay. Please continue to pray with us. We've been in the States for a year already and we are eager to get back to Thailand soon.

VISA RENEWAL TRIP

Karl recently returned from a six-day trip to Bangkok to renew his missionary visa. The Thai government has been slow in processing visa letters due to the flooding so we are very thankful that the renewal went through on time. This brief trip makes me (Karl) all the more eager to get back to Thailand quickly!

TH.M GRADUATION

Coming back to the U.S., Karl has a few more items to finish up for school before graduation on Dec. 16th. Praise God that he was able to



Karl at the wedding of some Thai Christian friends during his recent trip to Thailand

successfully complete his comprehensive exams and other major projects before going to Thailand. This has been a very intensive year of study and it will be good to graduate and return to reading and writing on my own timetable.

RENTERS

Once we have a more definite read on our departure date, our property manager will list our house for rent so that we will hopefully have someone in there by the time we leave. Please pray that the Lord will give us good long-term renters who can pay a rental price high enough to cover the mortgage.

THAI FLOOD

The flood waters in Thailand are receding and people are starting to clean up, but several provinces are still underwater. Many people have lost belongings and jobs. Please pray for recovery and that God would use these trials as a means to bring many to Himself.

LAST CALL FOR LUNCH

If you'd like to get together with us, now is the time! Our departure date is approaching, so email or call us soon and we'll find a date.

by Christ's grace,
Karl & Sun Dahlfred

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