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To open their eyes, and to
turn them from darkness to
light, and from the power
of Satan unto God, that
they may receive
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inheritance among them
which are sanctified by
faith that is in me.
Acts 26:18

Prayer Requests

- Learn the Thai language
- Eternal fruit from our English class ministry
- Souls to be saved and spiritual growth for believers in Cha-Am
- Laborers for God's Harvest

May/June 2025

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

We are grateful for your prayers for us over the last two months as we have experienced a number of changes and even trials at times. At the end of May, we had to leave Thailand for a short time as our 1-year education visa was expiring. In order to apply for another 1-year visa, we had to leave the country and come back in; this would begin the process of application for a new visa. As we made our plans to come back to Thailand, we made the decision to come back on a 60-day tourist visa and then apply for our 1-year education visa with the school once we arrived. We had all of our paperwork ready and issued for our return home. On the day of our scheduled departure to return to Thailand, we found out only after we arrived to the airport that our flight had just been cancelled and delayed to the following day. Immediately, there in the airport terminal, we began to pray for wisdom and for an answer from the Lord. We were concerned that there could possibly be an issue with Thai immigration if we came on a different day than previously issued on our paperwork. Thankfully, there was another flight to Bangkok that we found leaving in less than hour. **The Lord graciously provided this flight for us and the ability for us to get through security and to the gate before takeoff.** We have applied with our school for the 1-year education visas and are awaiting confirmation now. **Please pray we will receive these visas soon and before the end of this month of July.**

Our family continues to do well as we serve the Lord on this side of the globe. We thank the Lord for the modern medical operations found in Thailand, especially as Katrina nears the end of her pregnancy. Her most recent doctor visit was met with good news concerning the baby and that our little girl could enter this world at any moment. **Please continue to pray for Katrina and the baby for there to be a smooth delivery.** The other children are doing well and are adapting to the changes brought on being a part of a missionary family. One change we experienced after arriving back to Thailand was moving again to a different house. The Lord allowed us to have such a smooth transition, and we praise Him for providing another place for us to call home. Please continue to pray for our language learning, which will become even more challenging in the next few months with a newborn. **One stage I was able to accomplish this past Sunday was praying for God's blessing on the offering in the Thai language.** I was encouraged by my advancement in the language, but at the same time challenged by my understanding that I had much yet to learn and become confident in my learning.

In addition to our visa travels, home life, and constant language learning, we have been both blessed and challenged in the area of ministry and evangelism. Our partners, the Leemons, have been away on furlough since mid-April. This has caused us and the Thai leadership in the church to step up and rely on the Lord in a greater way as we seek to minister in their absence. I have been given more opportunities during this time to preach (still through a translator) and minister to the dear people of Cha-Am than I have in months past. It has been a year since we began meeting on Wednesday nights at the church where the Thai leader and I have taken turns each week to bring a message from God's Word. When it has been my night to preach, we have been doing a verse-by-verse study on the Book of James. This has been such a blessing to myself as I study and prepare to bring a message from this practical, challenging Book of God's Word. We are just now nearing the end of the fourth chapter of James, and I pray it has been a blessing to the congregation as well. We also began our new year of English class ministry a month ago, and we have seen the Lord work greatly in bringing us many souls to whom we can minister. We have had nearly 30 children each week and close to 10 adults in class where they are given a free English lesson, followed by a Bible lesson. Please pray that we will see eternal fruit from these efforts. We thank the Lord for each of you and for your love towards us as seen in your prayers and support for us.

In Christ,

The Nickell Family - Jordan, Katrina, Champion, Emmitt, & Autumn