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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 forgiveness of sins, and 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

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Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

We pray many of you had a wonderful Christmas spent with family and loved ones, and that you have been given by God the beginning of a happy new year! While December in Thailand may not feel or "look a lot like Christmas" (as the song goes), we enjoyed celebrating as a family and a church the birth of our Savior. As a family, last year's Christmas being our first in Thailand was much more of a transition than this year's. While we still greatly miss our families, friends, and home church during this time of the year, we better understood how to make it special for us as a family. **A special blessing our family shared in this Christmas was Champion memorizing the Christmas story from Luke 2:1 - 20, and quoting it for us on Christmas morning.** As any godly parent would agree, we pray that our children will memorize, meditate on, and make correct application in their personal lives the Bible verses they are taught at a young age.

My wife and I have been asked numerous times over the last month, "What is Christmas in Thailand like?". **One way I choose to answer that question is by stating that Thai people do not normally celebrate the day of Christmas, but they certainly celebrate the season. The high majority of Thai people do not know about the Christ of Christmas, but they heartily embrace the holiday celebrations and the consumerism brought in with the season.** As ambassadors of God, we have a duty to share with those who have not yet heard that the Savior of sinful men has once come to this world to be born to die. Over the last few years, a certain sister church from Sriracha, Thailand travels to Cha-Am each Christmas to hold an evangelistic-led Christmas party for the community. **This year, we thank God for nearly 100 souls who were present for this event, many who were without Christ!** The brothers and sisters from Sriracha provided a plentiful meal for the attendees, and a Gospel message was given to all in attendance to receive.

There were 5 people present that evening who said they accepted Christ after the message! Please join us in our rejoicing and pray with us that these will be conversions of genuine faith, which will lead to fruit that remains. Please also pray for the many others who were presented the Gospel, that the Holy Spirit will use it as a way to prepare their hearts for the truth of the Gospel.



Because the laborers from Sriracha had many areas of service covered, I found myself becoming the photographer of the event. In no way do I believe I am most capable of taking consistently good photos for such an event, I found myself enjoying the opportunity, nonetheless. One thing I noticed as I took pictures of people winning door-prize gifts was that their countenance would change quickly in a positive sense. A straight face would turn into a smile, or a smile would turn into an even bigger smile as they were handed their gift. **As I watched this unfold, my heart yearned for their soul. For while the excitement of a new material gift brought a moment of happiness, I knew there was another Gift, which if they would accept would bring them eternal joy.**

We want to end this letter as we do many of ours with a plea for prayer and an expression of thanks. **Please continue to pray for Piep, Chutima, and their son, Bau.** They continue to face persecution for their faith from family and others in the community. **Please pray for us as we endeavor to learn the Thai language.** We have certainly seen growth in this area this last year, but we have much work left to do. Thank you to all who pray for us, give to support us and our ministry, and reach out with encouraging words and kindness. Thank you to many of you who gave a special offering for us this Christmas. May the Lord bless you as you seek to please Him this year.

In Christ,

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