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"For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations." (Psalm 100:5)

Praise the Lord! We get to meet together in person again this coming Sunday, June 6, after another eight weeks of COVID shutdown regulations.

Prior to the shutdown, we had seen the Lord work in bringing new folks to church on our special Easter Sunday. God has been good to allow most of our members to have internet access during this time so that they can watch the church services and Bible studies online. However, most of the folks have seen a decrease in their work hours, which has obviously affected their daily needs.

God allowed us, once again, to take a bag of food/supplies to every household in our church. We then took this opportunity to give each member five contact cards. These cards had our church's information, along with a phone number to call, on them. The church members had a chance to give the cards to friends and family who have never been reached by our ministry.

In just a few hours and into the next several days, the phone calls began to pour in. Our staff members organized the new contacts and put together teams that would be making each visit. We then split up and met with the church member or members who were connected with each new contact. The small group would then go out and meet those who had called for COVID relief. God opened the door to many individuals we would not have met otherwise. Over a period of three to four weeks, these new contacts were made, and over 100 adults received physical help and the spiritual healing of salvation. We have started a new van route that will bring some of those new people to church this Sunday. What wonderful fruit from an extremely difficult time for our church family. I am especially thankful for our faithful staff and team members who so willingly serve and wholly trust God, no matter the circumstances.

We are now able to move forward with the land development following a dispute from a landowner whose land borders our property. The neighboring landowner was questioning the land markers, which put a halt to all plans. We have kept the proper paperwork and records from the beginning, which helped our case tremendously. The Land Office worked diligently to take care of the matter, and just a few weeks ago, it was officially processed and settled. We have a small amount in savings, which will allow us to start the wall and fence around the property. The first phase of development will include these things: building a wall and fence, digging a well, installing the well, installing the water tower, installing the electric poles and transformer, and building the guardhouse. Please continue to pray for us as we prepare to start the first phase.

During this most recent time of shutdown, God has allowed us to continue to reach folks with the Gospel. It was exciting for me to go out and make visits with our faithful members to their friends and family in need. As we met and talked together, I was, once again, reminded that helping meet people's physical needs is often a doorway to meeting their spiritual needs. There is no greater joy than to see our church family reaching their own community for Jesus!

The Lord has not just been good to our family and team, He has been great! We are thankful for His mercy in our lives and for allowing us to serve Him here in Thailand these past 13 years. May we boldly continue sharing the Gospel as we strive to pass on the truth to many generations to come. Thank you for your prayer and financial support! We are privileged to represent Christ in your stead here in Hua Hin.

Your missionary,

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