

# *The SEARLES in THAILAND*

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## *Family update*

Maureen and I are getting ready to take the long flight Stateside to attend the graduation of two grandchildren, a wedding for our grandson, and an adoption celebration for the three newest additions to our family. The adoptions are through the US foster care system, please pray that the Lord will bless these three adoptions and that the Lord will show himself through our Childrens hearts to be obedient to Him. In due course, we look forward to being able to be introduced to these new family additions. We are also delighted to announce we are great Grandparents, please pray for us as we navigate these long-distance relationships. With so little time to be able to cultivate deep meaningful relationships with all of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren please pray for us as we make use of our time wisely.

**If a church would like us to make a visit, we will be glad to stop by and give an update on the work.**

## *Nakorn Nayok Baptist Church update*

Our small flock includes a village chief, "Poo Yah Bhan." Khoon Ban and his wife and their children love the Lord dearly. His position is also a political position. Because there are very few Christians in Thailand that hold such positions, he has almost no examples of how to navigate a deeply rooted Buddhist district, all the while being true to his faith and love in Christ. We do believe the Lord has put him in the position he is in. He is navigating critical cultural ceremonies that are deeply rooted in spiritism, at the same time serving his constituents well. Although we do not believe his life is on the line, he has been heavily criticized for not participating in the expected ceremonial FanFair that men in his position have participated hundreds of years before. He and his wife also own a business and their business is struggling. Please pray for this family. Satan is truly attacking his family. Through much fasting and prayer Pum, his son, made it into the top military school in Thailand. We do believe the Lord is raising up worriers in top government positions in Thailand to be a voice for the believers. This is uncharted territory for the believers here in Thailand. Please pray that the Lord will protect Pum and continue to show himself true to this young man and that he will win favor with those in authority as Daniel did that the Lord may be glorified and honored and raised up.

With the help of Missionary Koumaly TongDee, the church in NongKhai is reviving. They alternate meetings between the Village in TongDong and the city of NongKhai . The Boys do well.

In Jesus Name thank you for your financial support but especially for your Prayers

Tim & Maureen