

## MESSAGES FROM THE TEAM TO OUR FRIENDS IN CHRISTCHURCH, NZ

All on the Team wanted to send messages and to let you know we continue to think of you and pray for you:  
*When we heard the news about the earthquake we were very worried about our brothers and sisters there. We love you and are very sad to hear the bad news in your city, May God comfort and help you and always be with you and bring you to the good future.*

*We send our condolences and our sympathies for your tragedy. I have a verse for you, Psalm 30:11.*

*May God bring restoration to you and to your city. We promise to pray for you.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your sadness at this terrible tragedy.*

*May God lift your spirits in these difficult times. I want to encourage you from 2 Cor. 4:16-18.*

*May God carry you through this ordeal, heal your wounds and restore your joy. Even in the dark, His love shines brighter than ever.*

*We share your sorrow and grief during this difficult hour and are praying for you all.*

*Our thoughts are with all of you, and especially those who have lost loved ones. We will keep praying.*

## MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> – 7<sup>TH</sup>

### **The repairs:**

They are almost finished, and the Team is very glad to be returning to our Team base.

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>: Time to move back all copies of all lessons in the correspondence program, and many thousand copies of our children's booklet. We'd appreciate prayer for strength and endurance!

On Monday 7<sup>th</sup>: The Big Move - when all equipment, desks, etc, are taken back to our Team base.

Please pray with us for all the finance still needed for these repairs. We were able to borrow money and thus meet all payments, but now we need to start repaying this.

## MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> – 14<sup>TH</sup>

**Children in danger:** Ban Phumsaron village on the Thai/Cambodian border has suffered the worst fighting between Thai and Cambodian troops over the last few months in a border dispute. The Team went to 7 schools there last year and children of all ages were very responsive. Now 150 of them do our lessons. Please pray for their protection and for God to make His presence real to them



### **Correspondence program:**

More letters came than ever in last month. As well, more children are doing our lessons than ever. Such a variety of letters - and it's great to see how God meets their needs in such different ways.

Aumapond: I couldn't complete a school project. Then my friend who does your lessons told me that Jesus can help me. I prayed and asked Him to help, and I managed to finish the project. Now I do your lessons too.

Jirapat: I never knew God before and I didn't believe in Him. But I have friends who believe in God. I saw that God answered their prayers. So I began your lessons and I tried praying along with my friends. God answered and now I believe that God is real, and that He is amazing because He does provide the things I ask Him for.

Aonrath: I thank God. Since I've known Him, He's never abandoned me, even when I sometimes did things that displease Him. Yet He always carries me through and He helped me get first place in an art competition.

## MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> – 21<sup>ST</sup>

**Correspondence program:** Some children wrote to share their problems and ask for prayer ...

Petchada: I have many problems - at school, with my parents fighting, and sometimes not even enough money for lunch. I often worry, but when I remember to put my trust in God I feel better.

Paiwaan: I often feel sad and worry for my father. He is very sick but he still tries to work to pay for my studies

Laddawan: I don't know who my father was, and I can't live with my mother as she remarried. I am with my aunt. I feel like an orphan, but it always helps when I think about God because I do have Him with me.

Please pray too for God to make His truth real to children as they do the lessons. Five children from northeast Thailand just wrote with their comments on the things they're learning:

Amornchai: I'm happy to know that I am special in God's eyes, and excited that He made us. I didn't know that before. I told this story to my friends and invited them to do the lessons with me.

Hathachanok: This is a great opportunity for me to study with you. I'm getting to know God better. Thank you.

Maneerat: When I finished the 5<sup>th</sup> lesson it really touched me that Jesus willingly sacrificed Himself to pay for all of our sins. I am glad to know that He loves me very much and I would like to say thank you to Him.

Suchada: I'm glad to have been able to study about Christianity and to know I'm special in God's eyes.

Chamaipond: Studying these lessons makes me love God even more. I want to share this great love with others.

## MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup> – 31<sup>ST</sup>

**School Program follow-up:** Many children begin their journey with God when we teach in their school. Please continue praying for these children – may they grow in spiritual understanding.



**Correspondence program:**

So many letters – wish we could share more of them. Please can you use these ones as prayer guides

“What I'm learning in the lessons” ...

Veerachai: I now know I have a God who always cares for me no matter who I am or where I'm from.

Wannipha: You help bring new understandings to me. I enjoy the good stories that you send to introduce the lessons. Now I am very interested to learn more about the story of Jesus.

Aungkana: I am very glad and happy to learn about God, and this makes the world look brighter to me.

Atcharay: I know I'm only ordinary, but yet I also know now that I'm special in God's eyes. I ask God to help me with my studies and in my family. I want Him to be number one in my life.

Paveena: I'm touched that God helps me. He makes me confident at school. I'm so glad Jesus died for me.

Nattapong: My prayer is, Dear Lord Jesus, I trust and believe in you. Please show me how to serve you.

Varapond: I'm very happy that I am special to God and to know that He loves us and is always with us.

Help with problems, and at school ...

Maleewan: My friend got angry no matter what I did. But after I prayed God helped us be friends again.

Nathirin: My friend and I fought and got very angry. I was irritable whenever I saw her. I asked God's help and He set me free from that anger. We are now friends again.

Sirinya: I asked God to help me pass all my exams. He answered. I passed them all. Thank you God!

Re the VideoCd's we send the children after the first six lessons ...

Prapasiri: I got your VCD. It is very fun to watch. My brother and I have watched it 3 times. From the lessons I learnt that Jesus has taken all of our sins and our worries, and I can ask for Jesus to help me.

Viracha: I do thank God for sending His only son to pay for our sins. Thanks for the VCD. I watched it with 4 of my friends. I really liked the songs. I believe Jesus is someone amazing because He loves us so much and if we fall or are tired Jesus is the only one who will stand beside us. I do love Jesus so much.

Aungsumarin: I'm impressed to learn about the foundation of life. At times my life is like a storm that can blow in any direction. My mother watched the VCD with me. She said it is good there is someone who made our world and I agreed. It was Jesus who created us and gave us love and trust. He is our protector.