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THANKS FOR PRAYING:

For continuing to pray for all the children in school outreaches earlier this year. Praise God we could freely speak the truth of all Jesus has done for them. Many are now enrolled in our correspondence program. Please keep praying for them. May God continue to work in each of their lives.





APRIL 1ST TO 8TH

Youth Camp – from April 4th to 7th – for young people aged from 12 to 18[:]

The FahSai Club and Nonthaburi Church will combine with several other nearby churches for this Camp for all their young people. Camp's official title is Big Love Camp, with an emphasis on learning what is true love and how to live in that, and on receiving God's love.

Kanchana, NoiNon, Jeen, Doi and Dang are among the leaders at this Camp and ask for prayer for God's anointing on all they teach and in all their interaction with the young people. Also, that each young person who attends will experience and understand God's love.

Correspondence Program: Dang asks – when you pray for our correspondence program ...
**Pray for God's wisdom for me (& Doi, Ganya, Jeen, One & Bow) in answering children's letters.
Children ask advice about many problems. We need God's wisdom. Our knowledge isn't enough.
**Pray for God to protect each child. Their letters show their faith as they bring their needs to
God and I see God touch their hearts. But many (like these 3) have opposition or are alone in their faith, or other things can pull them from God's love. I ask God to protect them in mind and spirit.
Poonyanuch (13): I believe in Jesus as I've done your lessons, but I'm not allowed to become a Christian in my family. But anyhow still Jesus is kind to me and with me. I hope more children do these lessons.
Pitchaporn (15): In my village not my parents or anyone are Christian. Only me. Please pray for me.
Thamonwan (15): Here's my problem. I'm a Christian but my parents and grandmother aren't. I tell them about God but they say they can't believe like I do. I don't know what to say to them. Also they want me to get a good job and big wage so I can support them but I think I want to serve God. Please pray for me.

APRIL 9TH TO 15TH

This week is the **Thai New Year** and Thailand's main holiday week. All on the Team will have family time during this week, and time for some rest and relaxation.

The 11th to 15th: NoiNon and Jeen will visit Jeen's family in a Petchaboon village. They've also been asked to bring encouragement and teaching to the church there. Jeen asks, "please pray for God to lead us and give us wisdom to help the people there as some have many problems".

Also from NoiNon & Jeen: From mid-April we want to have a renewed focus on our work with the children who come to FahSai House. Club. Please pray for us as we start this after the 15th.

<u>Correspondence Program</u>: Many letters came last month, and hope these ones show something of their diversity. From three 8yr olds (2 boys, 1 girl) and then from three 14yr olds (1 boy, 2girls):

Supakrit – A poisonous insect bit in my mother's eye. She couldn't see for 2 days. I was very upset. Then I asked God to help her. Next day suddenly she could see clearly. I thank God for His help.

Wadcharapong – What I would like is for God to help my family to find some happiness.

Oranuch - I had a very high fever. Then I prayed to Jesus and I was healed. I thank Jesus for His love Thayoon - I used to be very selfish and rebellious. When I was 13, I asked Jesus into my life and knew I had to change. I asked Jesus to lead me in everything and in my mind. Now my old life has gone and I want to do what's right with a real passion. I feel I have a new life in my Jesus.

Athithaya - I used to look at myself and think I was worthless but Jesus told me I'm always special. Pimpan - I feel bad because I don't love my father and I can't forgive him for his past. I tell myself I have to forgive him but I don't want to. Please pray for him to stop drinking and for me to forgive.

APRIL 16TH TO 22ND



Outreaches in another slum community: Doi writes ...

We had an outreach at Ruangsub in January and Dang has been teaching there weekly. Over 40 of these children now do our lessons, and are guided in these by Jeen and I.

<u>This week</u> we'll have another special day in this community with opportunity for small group time. Our aim is to help these children grow in their faith, to encourage them and help them in any special difficulties they face. Please pray for these 40+ children and for us.

<u>Correspondence Lessons</u>: Thanks for praying for all those doing our lessons. We're always excited to see how they're growing in their faith, and often pray following these verses from Colossians ...

We have been asking God to fill you with the knowledge of what he wants. We pray he will give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. We pray you will lead a life that is worthy of the Lord. We pray you will please him in every way. So we want you to bear fruit in every good thing you do. We want you to grow to know God better. We want you to be very strong, in keeping with his glorious power. We want you to be patient. Never give up. Be joyful as you give thanks to the Father. He has made you fit to share with all his people. You will all receive a share in the kingdom of light. He has saved us from the kingdom of darkness. He has brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves

As you can see from these letters below, God is teaching these young people many different things according to their needs. Thanks for being part of this through your prayers.

Kidtichai (11): I've always had bad allergies that make me swell up. Then I decided to ask God to heal me, and have not swollen since then.

Nuengruthai (12): My parents used to argue every day. My father refused to listen to my mother and then they fought. I began to pray for my father every day. Now he's stopped drinking.

Pen (14): I asked Jesus 2 things - to help in my studies and to help my family - and He answered me exactly. Now my family is very happy, and I feel better about my schoolwork.

Tikanporn (16): I've always had bad dreams. I began to ask Jesus to help and since then had no more. Supaporn (17): One day my older brother had a problem so I prayed for him and God helped him too.

APRIL 23RD TO 30TH

Three Team members want to share more of their vision with you, and ask for your prayers:

Jeen: I do the lessons and follow-up for over 300 children. Among them is a small group who say they feel God's call to serve Him. I feel a special responsibility for them and am always looking for verses to send them and other extra teaching. Please pray for God's wisdom for me in this.

Art: I'm excited every time I collect the letters from our Post Office. This month I'm expecting huge numbers of letters as April is our main school holiday. My vision remains that these children grow in God and through their witness God's kingdom will greatly expand in Thailand.

Doi: I believe as those who build children's lives God calls us to be faithful and allow our lives to be changed first. I trust in God that He will build me first as I want to help others in the Team in their spiritual and practical development. I pray God will give me wisdom and guidance in this.

Changed Lives: Hope you'll be blessed as we were by these letters. Thanks for being part of it.

Chaiya (16): My father is a drug addict & alcoholic. He often hurt my mother. Once he tried to kill her and we all ran away. I thank God we're all still alive. Although my father is like that I still love him. I think it's like the way Jesus loves us. This year I'm student chairman in our school of 900 and I'm fearful about that as I'm shy and afraid of public speaking. I'm often mocked as I don't speak clearly. But I think God led me to be chairman. Now on Sundays I'm allowed to take others to church and we encourage each other. Janipar (13): Thank you for helping me come to know Jesus. I go to church now. I had thought it may be boring but I enjoy it all. I didn't have friends before. Now at church I have many friends and I have Jesus. We have Church Camp in May and I'll be baptized there. I'm very excited about that. I'll send you photos.

Please continue to pray for children in schools all over Thailand now doing our lessons. Also for our future



planning re more school outreaches



