

May 2013 Prayer News

Good News Team

Thanks for Praying: For the Youth Camps ...

Corin – It was a privilege to be with those teens from the north – so enthusiastic for God and hungry to know Him more.

Dang – Your prayers were answered as we saw so many of the teens committing their lives to follow and serve Jesus. Please keep praying for them now they're back home.

Fon - I was blessed by the way these 1200 teens worshipped together with all their hearts. And I was challenged too as I saw so many of them responding to God's call on their lives. I also made a fresh commitment there.

May 1st - 10th

Learning to Apply our Lessons to their lives: **Many of our young people wrote to let us know about their recent exams and to tell how God helped them. Please pray that all who study with us will learn to turn to Jesus in every situation and trust in Him.**

Neerapa, girl of 14: *I struggled with my studies. I prayed in Jesus' name, "Help me God to do better at school and be my strength al- ways." When I can't do my homework I'm learning to turn to God. I trust that He'll help me. Then I do what I what I can and God helps me to finish my homework!*

Natanun, boy of 15: *I prayed I wouldn't fail any subjects and when the results came I'd passed in all. I had believed God would help me so I want to thank Him again. I wish God all the happiness. I think of Him often. I even want to see Him every night so He can warn me not to sin. I love Him so much.*

Perapat, boy of 13: *I had no confidence before our last big exams. But after I prayed I felt at ease. And do you know, I could answer every question. When the results came I was amazed. I was 7th out of 35 in my class. I rushed home to tell my Mum. She was excited too. Thank you for suggesting that I pray and for teaching me how to pray.*



FAHSAI House From Kanchana, NoiNon & Jean - We thank God for all He does among these young people. We've begun soccer clubs with them (for different ages) and do other sport together. Many are more committed to Jesus now as we have informal times together. We love to see them worship God and praise Him so wholeheartedly. Please pray for us at FahSai.



May 11th - 17th

Learning from the Lessons: **Children often share their personal reflections from our lessons. May each child understand and be able to interact with what they are learning. May God make His truth real to them in such a way that they can come to know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.**

Sasivimol (13): *I've wanted to do your lessons for ages, but I didn't know how to enroll. Now I do know! I am very happy I can study your lessons now!*

Kasinat (13): *I am proud to be a part of God's family.*

Tinsang (13): *Thank you for helping me know the God who is living. May God bless all of you who do this work for Him.*

Jitrudee (12): *I want God to be the one who looks after my life*

Jearmin: *I am happy that you teach me about God. Even though I am not a Christian, I still believe that God is real.*

Malinee (13): *These lessons make me happy. I'd like to tell you they are very fun! I learn a lot and I want to do every lesson you have.*



Welcome to Donna Elliott who will be with us from the 7th to train Team members in graphic design and help also with early preparation, ideas, etc. for a new Children's booklet.

Jeen and NoiNon's baby is due this week and they'd value your prayers



This year's Cartoon Booklet for:

We'll start preparation early this year for this booklet. From May 1st, Team members will meet together to share ideas and do preliminary planning so that we can then work with Donna - see next week - on the design and layout of as many pages as possible. Please pray with us for God's creativity, inspiration and anointing for us all.

May 18th - 24th

Booklets going into Thai Schools:

As well as giving each child a booklet after an outreach we also send packets of our booklets to School libraries as a way to reach every child in Thailand.



Schools re-open this month and we will start to send booklets to 500 schools per week. Research shows that over 50% who are now Christians first heard of Jesus from a booklet in their library or after talking to another child who'd read a booklet. Please pray for this seed to fall into good soil in many schools.



Responding to the Lessons: Children write to us about many situations and personal problems, and often ask for advice. Please pray for God's wisdom and Love for Team members as they answer them. In their letters some have wonderful stories of the miracles God is doing in their lives. Please pray these stories will encourage more of our young people to turn to God in every time of need.

Kanyarat (12): When my parents are at work, I'm not afraid to be alone, because I ask Jesus to be with me and protect me. I feel like Jesus is my friend. I also ask Him to watch over my parents.

Chaiya (18): I was very sickly as a child. My mother said without God I would have died. One time I was very sick. My mother took me to the doctor but I got worse. Finally I was taken into the forest. They had a spade ready to bury me. I cried and screamed that I didn't want to die. My mum also cried, so our relatives took us back to the doctor. On the way back I was in a trance - like a dead person. My mother thought she'd have to bury me there. Then one of our relatives began playing a song and my hand started to move in rhythm. Then I got up and began dancing. Mum said it was a miracle, and she was very happy. I believe I'm alive because of God's love. I'm really grateful to Him, and I trust that God will lead my future. Thank you for the encouragement you give and for the lessons which help me know God better.

Kachamas (11): One day I was very sick and coughing constantly. As we lined up for class, my classmates turned to stare every time I coughed. I felt very embarrassed. I prayed for God to heal me and He really did! So, I pray that He will give you good health too.

May 25th - 31st

Correspondence Lessons: Our young people often include personal reflections in their letters. Most who do our lessons are still Buddhists. Yet their hearts are open, and they want to learn about Jesus. Please pray for them that they will come to know Jesus, and also for Team members to be able to help them to encounter Him in a personal way.

Umapond: I'm Buddhist, but I would like to know what you do in Church - like the rituals and what songs you sing. How do you show reverence? For Buddhists we put our hands together, bow down and worship Buddha images. What do Christians do? Actually I'm not happy as I often feel lonely and sad. And I have trouble making decisions as I'm afraid I might get it wrong.

Rawewan (14): Even though I've finished all the lessons I still think of you. Thank you for always sending things to help me when I did the lessons. That and the lessons was God's way of giving me joy at that time. I'm from one of the tribes and my classmates always make fun of me because I don't speak Thai clearly. Can you please advise me about this and pray for me too.

Jiranan (10): In April, I went to a sugarcane field. There was a dog that just had five puppies. The heat was intense and the puppies were suffering but their mother wouldn't let us get close enough to help the puppies. I was very sad. I asked God to help but it was too late. So, I prayed the puppies would be with God in heaven. What would you have done if this happened to you? Just to let you know - I'm not a Christian yet, but I'm interested to know God. I love Him and I love Jesus. I want to do your lessons for a 2nd time, just to revise all I learnt in them. Can I do that?



School outreaches starting next month

This week we'll start preparations for these outreaches - with program planning and prayer preparation too.

Please pray with us for God to begin preparing the heart of each child in each school that we will go to.

Also please pray for God to speak to us as a Team that we would know His heart for each of these children.