

**THANKSGIVING 2008**  
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**Thailand Newsletter from the Hilderbrand's**  
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**UPDATED WEBSITE!! Please see our newly designed website for WorldBase Thailand. Thank you to Larry LeLievre of Xhype Communications for the design and management of our new website.**

**Please read the following:**

During this season of Thanksgiving, many of us are worried about the future and worried about the economy. But even in these troubled times, God has blessed America and the West far beyond what we deserve or need. During this Thanksgiving, please do not forget to pray for our Foursquare Children at risk in Thailand.

The Foursquare Church of Thailand has a slum ministry to children in Bangkok. We also have four homes for children at risk of human trafficking and we have a school for refugee children.



Consider sponsoring a child so that they might have an education and a future.

**Bangkok Slum Ministry**

Blao is 12 years old and a member of Our Home Chapel Foursquare Church in Bangkok and she lives in a slum with her family. She is the second child of four children and in sixth grade. Her family of six lives on \$440 a month and she is usually allowed 50 cents a day for food at school. After she completes this year, her family may not have enough money to send her to school and she may have to work to help support the family.

**Bond** is 14 years old and now in ninth grade. He attends church every Sunday. He is the eldest of three children. His family only makes \$350 with both parents working. His family is struggling to keep him in school with rising food prices and the political instability in Thailand causing havoc with the economy.



These are only two stories of almost 50 children who are part of our slum ministry and church.



**Elpis Refugee School in Mae Sot**

**Nawatheinkyi** is only 14 years old. Being a Burmese refugee living in Thailand, her life is filled with fear. Fear that she and her family will be sent back to Myanmar. Fear that she will be forced by her family to work in Bangkok. Her family already paid \$200 to have her twin brother smuggled to Bangkok to work in a rice warehouse. After contact with our Foursquare church in Mae Sot, Nawatheinkyi is now studying hard to become a teacher



and even helps assists another teacher teach younger children. She has also recently received Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

**Tuntunwin** was one of the best students at Elpis School. He has the highest scores in his class. His father worked on a farm to feed his family, but for several months in a row, the owner of the land did not pay his father's salary. So, in the middle of the night, the father woke the family up and told everyone they were returning to Myanmar. Tuntunwin cried, but the family had nothing to eat. They had to return to their home village before they starved.

The staff of Elpis school tracked Tuntunwin down and visited his village. They invited Tuntunwin to live with one of the teachers and complete his studies; education is his only hope out of poverty. He hopes to be a missionary some day.

The above are only two stories of the 243 students enrolled at the school.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Pray for a quick resolution to the political instability in Thailand.

Our building is almost completed. We will begin moving furniture and supplies this Monday. Please pray that we will have the funds to pay off our debts and purchase some new equipment for the new ministry center. The seven story facility will have a church with two Thai language services, one English service and one Burmese service. The center will include the Foursquare Thailand Bible College, Our Home Ministry Center Language and Tutorial School. Yoso Travel agency, a restaurant coffee shop, a beauty salon, a ministry to slum children, a community center and be home to many other ministries.

Please pray for more language teachers. We will be down to only four full time teachers for 700 students by January.

Please pray for our language teachers by name: Michel-lyn (Canada), Corey, Evan, Andy, Tina, Kristen. Pray that our teachers would develop friendships quickly and be effective in sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray that these "seekers" and new believers can be discipled in the Thai church.

Pray for the New Bible College that we would grow and be able to raise up new leaders for the future.

Pray for the new Drug Rehab Center in Chiang Mai and the finances to continue its operation.

Continue to pray for everyone's health. Also pray for our continued protection, especially as we travel.

Let us know how we can pray for you.