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MISSIONARY TO THAILAND



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A Dozen Thanks

Time flies when you're having fun! I think it also flies when you're not having fun, and when you're getting older. However it flies, time is a gift from God to us. I am grateful and humbled to say that God has gifted me **twelve** years of living in Thailand! That's a third of my life (let me do the math for you: I'm 36). I am grateful for so many things throughout this journey, but here are just twelve:

1. God's faithfulness in every season.
2. Prayer, support, and encouragement from you!
3. Thai Christian friends who have also encouraged and supported me, and taught me so much about discipling Thai people and ministering in Thai culture.
4. Teammates to serve with and who have helped me learn and grow.
5. God's direction for Take5 Thailand and the catalyst it has been for prayer and reaching unreached places in Thailand.
6. Six years in Lampang! From now on I can say I've lived in Lampang longer than I lived in Chiang Mai.
7. Short-term teams and volunteers who have invested in prayer and service.
8. Opportunities to disciple pre- and new believers.
9. Opportunities to share about Jesus with people who have never heard about Him.
10. My Thailand missionary colleagues who serve throughout the nation and are also good friends.
11. Personal growth in so many areas of my life, as God has been gracious and kind to teach me and form me.
12. Twelve years in Thailand. I love living and serving here, and look forward with hope to many more years.



On my "Thailandiversary" in front of my home



My friend View enjoying some Turkish Delight at the end of our *Narnia* bookclub. She loved it! (Thanks Mom for sending it!)



My first newsletter from Thailand, June 2009

Prayer and Praise

PRAISE GOD FOR: 12 years in Thailand! and 6 years in Lampang; faithful supporters and prayer partners (that's you!); health; Thai friends and missionary friends who encourage me; new kinds of ministry in this season. **PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Covid restrictions lessen and for ability to travel domestically and internationally; teammate Jenelle who is in the middle of her visa application process, aiming to arrive by the end of August; local friends to be interested to learn about Jesus.

Spare Sixty

Would you please take one minute to pray for this need in Thailand? Thailand's suicide rate is the highest of any country in Southeast Asia. Economic downturn from Covid-19-induced travel restrictions is a large factor, though the suicide rate was also the highest in Southeast Asia in 2019. Please pray that God will intervene, revealing His power and love to those who are without hope.

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