

# PROJECT PHAYAO

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## RETURNING TO THE USA

- WE WILL BE RETURNING TO THE USA THE FIRST WEEK OF MAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A YEAR AND A HALF! WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO SEE EVERYONE..
- WE ARE ABOUT 1 YEAR AWAY FROM PLANTING A SCHOOL AND CHURCH IN PHAYAO, THAILAND. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BRINGING ON OUR FIRST COUPLE OF STAFF MEMBERS AND HAVE DONE SOME INTERVIEWING!
- WHILE IN THE STATES WE PLAN ON CATCHING UP WITH FRIENDS AND SHARING THE MINISTRY NEWS WITH THEM.

## READY FOR MINISTRY SUPPORT

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SCHEDULING MEETINGS WITH PEOPLE, CHURCHES, SMALL GROUPS BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR MISSION IN THAILAND. IN ORDER TO FUND A SCHOOL AND CHURCH IT WILL TAKE MANY PEOPLE.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SHARE THE VISION WITH ANYONE INTERESTED.. PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SCHEDULING A MEETING.  
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**IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF THE MINISTRY SUPPORT PLEASE TALK TO THEM. WE WOULD LOVE TO SHARE WITH THEM. WE ARE PLANNING ON DOING SOME TRAVELING SO THEY DO NOT NEED TO LIVE IN MISSISSIPPI!.**



HELLO FROM NORTHERN THAILAND!

WE HOPE YOU ALL HAD A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

AS MANY OF YOU KNOW WE ARE VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT THE THAI PEOPLE AND SHARING THE GOSPEL WITH THEM! OVER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF WE HAVE BEEN STUDYING THE LANGUAGE AND THE CULTURE IN DEPTH. IT HAS BEEN A WONDERFUL TIME OF LEARNING AND GROWTH FOR US BOTH.

ONLY ABOUT 1% OF THE POPULATION OF THAILAND HAS A SAVING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS, WHICH IS VERY SAD TO US. THE THAI PEOPLE ARE SUCH WONDERFUL PEOPLE WE WOULD LOVE TO MAKE AN IMPACT IN THEIR LIVES THROUGH THE SPREADING OF THE GOOD NEWS.

OUR MISSION IS TO START AN ENGLISH SCHOOL IN PHAYAO AS A WAY TO BUILD BRIDGES AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE PEOPLE. AT THE SAME TIME WE WILL PLANT A CHURCH. THIS CHURCH WILL BE THE ONLY BAPTIST CHURCH IN THE ENTIRE PROVINCE! CURRENTLY THERE ARE 34 PROVINCES WITHOUT A BAPTIST CHURCH AND THE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HERE IS VERY EXCITED FOR US TO PLANT IN PHAYAO!

THE CITY OF PHAYAO IS A SMALL CITY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN 20K, ADDITIONALLY WE WILL BE NEAR THE UNIVERSITY OF PHAYAO WHICH HAS ABOUT 20K STUDENTS ENROLLED. THAI PEOPLE LOVE TO LEARN ENGLISH SO THIS WILL BE A GREAT SERVICE TO THEM, AND A GREAT WAY TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS IN THE CITY!

THIS WEEK I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PREACH ON THE SUBJECT OF BEING A FISHER OF MEN!! THIS IS A TOPIC THAT HAS MEANT MUCH TO ME OVER THE YEARS, AND ONE OF THE REASONS I LEFT THE BUSINESS WORLD FOR THE MINISTRY. MATTHEW 4: 18-20 TALKS ABOUT JESUS CALL ON PETER AND ANDREW TO FOLLOW HIM!! THEY DID WITHOUT HESITATION. THIS IS A GREAT EXAMPLE FOR US TODAY, SINCE GOD IS CALLING EACH OF US TO BE FISHERS OF MEN IN OUR OWN SPHERE OF INFLUENCE.. WILL YOU ANSWER THAT CALL?

THIS WEEK IS THE SONGKRAN CELEBRATION ALL OVER THAILAND. IT IS THE BIGGEST WATER FIGHT IN THE WORLD. BUT THERE IS MORE SIGNIFICANCE TO IT THAN THAT. IN OUR CHURCH SERVICE LAST SUNDAY. THE SONGKRAN HOLIDAY IS KNOWN BY MANY AS THE "WATER FESTIVAL" OF THAILAND BUT IT GOES SO MUCH DEEPER THAN THAT. IT IS THE "THAI" NEW YEAR WHERE THE "ELDERS" IN THE FAMILY ARE HONORED BY POURING WATER OVER THE HANDS OF THE OLDER PERSON AND WORDS OF BLESSING ARE THEN EXCHANGED WITH ONE ANOTHER. IT WAS A VERY WARM AND MOVING TIME FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY THAT IS TRULY AN ETHNICALLY MIXED GROUP OF PEOPLE. I KNOW IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT PAULETTE AND I ARE CONSIDERED ELDERS... LOL SO WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE BLESSED BY THE CONGREGATION.. IT WAS A DEEPLY MOVING EXPERIENCE.

CURRENTLY WE ARE IN A NAVIGATORS BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, THE 2:7 SERIES. THIS IS A STUDY ON BUILDING DISCIPLES. IT IS JUST THE FIRST BOOK OF THREE IN THE SERIES. WE PLAN ON COMPLETING ALL THREE AS A GROUP. ADDITIONALLY, I AM IN A COUPLE OF TRIADS STUDYING WITH SOME GUYS IN EACH ONE. AND ON SUNDAY NIGHTS WE HAVE A LIFE GROUP THAT MEETS AT OUR HOUSE. COUPLE THAT WITH THAI CLASS DAILY AND TEACHING ENGLISH WE TEND TO STAY PRETTY BUSY..

WHEN WE RETURN TO THAILAND SUZY WILL BE RETURNING WITH US BECAUSE SHE IS DOING HER INTERNSHIP IN CHIANG MAI, ABOUT 3 HOURS FROM CHIANG RAI.. ALSO, THE TEAM FROM CROSSPOINT WILL JOIN US HERE SOON AFTER THAT FOR THEIR SUMMER MISSION TRIP. WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT AS WELL. WE LOVE SHARING THAILAND WITH PEOPLE.. IF ANYONE ELSE WANTS TO SET UP A MISSION TRIP HERE PLEASE CONTACT ME, WE CAN HELP YOU PLAN IT.. WE WOULD LOVE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO THIS WONDERFUL COUNTRY..

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BLESSINGS,

DOUG AND PAULETTE PIPER

## POTENTIAL LOCATION

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE CURIOUS HERE IS WHAT OUR INITIAL LOCATION WILL LIKELY LOOK LIKE IN PHAYAO. TYPICALLY THE FIRST FLOOR IS A SHOP AND THE TOP 2 FLOORS ARE A 3 BEDROOM APT. HOWEVER, WE WILL LIKELY RENT A UNIT LIKE THIS AND USE ALL 3 FLOORS FOR CLASSROOMS. WE WILL PROBABLY USE THE FIRST FLOOR FOR THE CHURCH ON SUNDAYS AS WELL. THIS IS A GREAT LOCATION, BUT IT IS A LITTLE EARLY TO PULL THE TRIGGER..

WE WILL OPERATE THE SCHOOL AND THE CHURCH FROM THE SAME LOCATION. THERE IS SO MUCH POTENTIAL HERE!!



## PRAYER REQUESTS

- PRAY FOR NEW MINISTRY SUPPORTERS SO WE CAN FUND THE CHURCH PLANT.
- PRAY FOR TRAVEL MERCIES AS WE HEAD TO THE USA SOON
- PRAY FOR US AS WE CONTINUE TO LEARN THE THAI LANGUAGE ,
- PRAY FOR MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.
- PRAY FOR GOD'S DIRECTION FOR OUR MINISTRY HERE AND PHAYAO IN THE FUTURE.
- BEGIN TO PRAY FOR US AS WE BEGIN TO CONSIDER STAFF FOR PHAYAO
- PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AS WE ALL ADJUST TO BEING SO FAR APART..

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT CAN BE GIVEN THROUGH NTIM....

NTIM IS A NON-PROFIT 501(C)(3) CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION BASED IN THE USA. WE ARE COMMITTED TO CONNECTING PEOPLE IN NEED WITH PEOPLE WHO CARE AND ARE FOCUSED IN THE HEART OF SOUTHEAST ASIA WHERE POVERTY IS HIGH, EDUCATION IS LOW, NEEDS ARE GREAT, UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS (UPGS) ARE ALL AROUND US, AND THE LOVE AND MESSAGE OF JESUS IS NEEDED TO TRANSFORM LIVES.



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