

PROJECT PHAYAO

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This summer we had the opportunity to go back to the US or the first time in a year and a half. It was awesome to see so many of our friends and family while we were there. We were able to share the vision of Project Phayao with many people! We tried to visit as many friends and family members as possible with the time we had available. We will be heading back to the US next May and the first part of June again. If you would like us to come visit and get caught up please email me so I can get you on the schedule.
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SUMMER TEAM

We had a team from Crosspoint church come for the summer trip. It was a great experience. It was particularly exciting for us because we were able to have an English fun day at a school in Phayao this time! So we had the opportunity to meet the administration, teachers and students from the city we will be moving to next summer!! Also, we were able to host 4th of July outreach event at the church. We had over 500 people come fellowship with us. We cooked over 500 hamburgers and 300 hotdogs for everyone to eat. Additionally, Wesley preached his first sermon in Thailand.



A HUGE THANK YOU

We are so very thankful to everyone for your prayers and financial support of Project Phayao. It has been an amazing time of growth for us spiritually and culturally. It is not easy learning Thai at our age, but we get better every month, and can get along pretty well these days. As we move into the last chapter before our launch in Phayao, we reflect on what we have learned. It is amazing and completely humbling. We just want you all to know we love you and are thankful for you, your support but moreover, your prayers!

What an adventure we are on serving God half way around the world. As I reflect back on my life I cannot believe I am here in Thailand with Paulette as full time missionaries. For most of my life I was driven to focus on work, business and getting ahead. Then, as I became friends with Israel at Crosspoint church and began to be discipled my focus changed. As I gave in to Jesus' lordship totally I sensed that I was supposed to go into the ministry full time. Then, as I served at Crosspoint church for over a decade, I fell in love with taking the gospel to the ends of the earth as Paul tells us in Mathew 28:18-20. As we continue to follow God's call to move to Thailand and start an English school and Plant a church we have been blessed to have the support of our family and so many friends. You just never know what God has planned for you until you surrender to His will and follow His plan, not your own plan. I encourage everyone to prayerfully consider if you are walking God's path for you or your own path. I can tell you from personal experience it is much better to be following His path...

It has been amazing to watch God at work in Northern Thailand through his people. We have found that the best way to share the gospel in Thailand is through building relationships. Of course the primary way we foster these relationships is through teaching the English language. As we spend time with Thai people from high school and older sharing meals, teaching english, and learning Thai we have many opportunities to share the gospel in meaningful ways. It has been very cool seeing a host of young people accept Christ and then be Baptized here at Baan Athitaan.

We have been hard at work learning to speak Thai, teaching English in Chiang Rai and studying the Bible in various groups and triads. We have been spending a lot of time in Phayao getting to know people and learning the community. We have made friends with a few professors on the University of Phayao campus and with a couple of families. We actually have several people ready to learn English in the school and others that will be a part of the church plant. It is a very exciting time for us!!

We have been looking around the small town of Phayao for places to rent for the School/Church and have found a couple of possibilities. We hope to have found the future home of Baan Athitaan Phayao and Grace Language School Phayao. The building is just what we have been looking for, but will need some renovations before we open the school! So we will start those immediately when we move there in March..

We have 2 teams coming here to serve over the next month. The first is a team from First Baptist church Florence, from Florence MS, They will come over thanksgiving. The other team is from our home church Crosspoint. They will be here from December 10-17. Please pray for their safe travels and that they would have an impact on the lives of everyone they serve here in Chiang Rai. I pray that their lives would be changed by the experience as well!

WE WILL MOVE TO PHAYAO IN MARCH AND BEGIN TO GET EVERYTHING READY FOR THE LAUNCH. WE WILL NEED TO RENOVATE THE BUILDING ADDING CLASSROOMS. ALSO, WE WILL NEED TO HAVE SIGNAGE MADE AND ADVERTISE THE SCHOOL. ONCE THE CLASSROOMS ARE BUILT WE WILL NEED TO SET THEM UP. WE WILL START SMALL CHURCH SERVICES RIGHT AWAY FROM OUR HOUSE WITH OUR CORE GROUP OF PEOPLE WE HAVE MET IN PHAYAO. WE WILL TRAVEL TO THE USA IN MAY FOR SUZY'S GRADUATION AND TO GIVE UPDATES TO EVERYONE.. TOWARDS THE END OF JUNE THE CROSSPOINT TEAM WILL HELP US FINISH CLASSROOM SETUP AND THEN WE WILL HAVE THE SCHOOL'S GRAND OPENING

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH ANY OF THIS CONTACT ME AT DOUG@MYCROSSPOINT.ORG



PRAYER REQUESTS

- PRAY FOR WISDOM AS WE START TRANSITIONING TO PHAYAO
- PRAY FOR GOD TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR US AS WE TRANSITION TO PHAYAO.
- PRAY FOR US AS WE CONTINUE TO LEARN THE THAI LANGUAGE ,
- PRAY FOR MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.
- BEGIN TO PRAY FOR US AS WE BEGIN TO CONSIDER STAFF FOR PHAYAO
- PRAY FOR US AND OUR FAMILY AS WE ALL MISS EACH OTHER DEEPLY
- PRAY FOR GUIDNCE WITH ALL OF THE DECISIONS WE NEED TO MAKE OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS..

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