

VENTURE HOME MINISTRY

HUA-HIN, THAILAND

“Man’s chief and highest end is to glorify God and fully to enjoy Him forever” Westminster Catechism (1647). How do we glorify God and enjoy Him forever? For the Mallawong family we have found out that being obedient to God’s calling is one way to glorify Him. It’s not easy to be obedient. Being obedient means we give up our own will and plans and submit it to His. It has been stated that “Understanding what God is about to do where you are is more important than telling God what you want to do for Him.” This statement resonates through us as we serve Him here in Thailand. We can be so busy telling God what we want to do for Him that we miss what He is trying to do for us and around us. Sometime it’s better to just sit still and listen then to act without His will.



This past month we took a trip up to Chiang Mai, a city in the northern part of Thailand. We wanted to explore what God’s will would be for us there and if He is opening up the doors for us to serve in Chiang Mai. We met with many good people and made a lot of new friends. We are also looking into ministering with a church in Bangkok.



Morse family has been serving in Thailand for 3 generations



Mission team from Crossway Church, Brea, California ministering in Chiang Mai.

We were told that when you are doing ministry it comes in many phases. We believe we are going into phase two of our ministry. You maybe asking, how many phases does a ministry have? Only God can determine that number. When we first stepped foot in Thailand, God put us right to work. He used us to help a local Thai church develop their ministry. It was a time of great blessing for us and the church. We saw God's hand at work in all that we did. At the same time He was also preparing us for the next phase of our journey. Sometimes we can not understand why things happen the way they do. We just have to trust that God is in control.

After several meetings with the pastor at Cornerstone Church along with meetings with Pastor Guy Fox and pastoral care team pastors from CTEN we have decided it would be best if we moved on from where we are currently ministering in Hua Hin. We believe God is opening some new doors for us which will be more in line with our original call to Thailand. We want to remain faithful to God and His desire for our lives. So, through much time on our knees in prayer, the difficult decision to leave Hua Hin and Cornerstone Church has been made. We intend to continue to shine His light where He leads us next.

The first step in our next phase is to get some formal language and culture training. We will be going to school, taking courses with a tutor, or perhaps both. The training will equip us with the right tools to reach the Thai people. God has opened up some incredible opportunities, so that at the same time we will also be able to work along side an existing ministry and seasoned missionaries who will also help train, teach, and equip us. We will be able to learn a great deal as we partner with them in their ministry. We believe this is a necessary step in our ministry. We intend to stay here in Thailand for a long time and with it we need a good solid foundation on the language and culture.

God is great and he knows what we need when we need it. We believe it is because of God's perfect timing that all this is happening now. If we did not "hit the ground running" when we first got to Thailand, it would have been a much harder adjustment time for our family. God put us to work right away because He knew us and He knew that it was the best way for our family to adjust. Thank you Lord for being so understanding and loving.

So, as we start our next phase of this journey please pray for us as we continue to serve here in Thailand. Pray for His wisdom to guide us and for us to be obedient to His calling. Thank you so much for all of your confidence in us and for your support in our ministry. We look forward to giving you updates as we move forward in this next phase of our ministry.

WE ADJUST OUR LIVES TO GOD SO HE WILL DO THROUGH US WHAT HE WANTS TO ACCOMPLISH. GOD IS NOT OUR SERVANT TO ADJUST HIS ACTIVITY TO OUR PLANS. WE ARE HIS SERVANTS, AND WE ADJUST OUR LIVES TO WHAT HE IS ABOUT TO DO.

*Thank you for your continued prays for our ministry here in Thailand.
May God bless you and your family!*

In His passion, The Mallawongs

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