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*A Faith-based Ministry Sustained Through the Prayers and Partnership of God's People*

## Returning To Our Work in Northeast Thailand

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By Ron Myers

February Greetings in Jesus' Matchless Name,

It's been over two years since I've been able to return to Thailand to continue our ministry where we left off, laboring alongside my faithful Isan coworker, Baaw Ter, and other fellow Isan believers – evangelizing, mentoring, and teaching God's Word. Grounding new believers and reaching out to the unreached Isan masses of Thailand's vast Northeastern region and the Thai populace in general. This extended delay was due to the worldwide pandemic, Covid-19, the elusive virus by which entry into Thailand was closed down, preventing my return – everything, in general, had slowed to a crawl globally.




The Apostle Paul's words to the believers in Rome were. *"Now, I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that I often planned to come to you (but was hindered until now), that I might have some fruit among you..."* (Romans 1:13). I'm sure Paul wasn't just sitting around biding his time, chatting with friends, or twiddling his thumbs. No! He was busy doing what God had for him in the interim. We are busy on this end as well. Besides working on details of our Isan ministry, I talk to 3-5 people daily about the Lord. Of these, some have come to faith in Christ through my continued witnessing and preaching the Word while here in the States. One is a lifelong friend with whom I grew up. Also, while making an 800-number call concerning a product I had purchased, my call was answered in the Philippines by a Filipino lady, Anne. Witnessing to her afterward, she voiced genuine interest, saying she had a sense of peace listening to me read the Word. She wrote down the Scripture passages I gave her – voicing sincere thanks as we hung up.

Remember Christ's parable of a Nobleman who traveled to a far country to inherit a kingdom, then return? The Nobleman instructed his servants to *"Occupy till I come"* during his absence (Luke 19:13). That Nobleman refers to Jesus, who, having finished His earthly mission as *The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world*, returned to Heaven to be seated at the right hand of the Father – later to return to receive His rightful Kingdom. Hence, it's clear that *"Occupy till I come"* means just what Jesus said: *"Go Ye Into All the World and Preach the Gospel to Every Creature"* (Mark 16:15).

Ofttimes, we might suppose nothing is happening just because we don't see anything occurring on the surface, or aren't directly involved. However, despite our anxiousness to plunge in and "help God," these are often the times when God wants us to sit in the passenger seat, *per se*, as He imperceptibly works out His divine will in hearts and lives behind the scenes. Sometimes, He simply wants us to wait on Him – it's that ugly "P" word again, *patience*, or learning to quietly endure. Patience, longsuffering, perseverance, and faithfulness are qualities God desires in all His Saints, not just missionaries (1 Corinthians 4:2; Romans 5:3; James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 4:12).

*"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth"* (Psalms 46:10)! World Evangelism is God's eternal plan, God's desire, not ours, since we are but His workmen; *"Servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God; moreover, it is required in stewards that one be found faithful"* (1 Corinthians 4:1-2). As such, we often sense Him impressing us with, *"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"* (Psalm 46:10). Yup, no room for impatience on the mission field, a lesson we've learned early on, followed by continual refresher courses. ☺

By God's Grace, and for His Glory,

  
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### Prayer Requests

- For a Safe and Profitable Journey as I return to Thailand
- For adequate finances for travel expenses and all that needs doing while I'm there
- For more Thai and Isan souls reached with the Good News Message of Salvation
- For Baaw Ter's Buddhist wife Joo's heart softened and open to receive Christ as Savior