



Ron & Cheryl Myers

GOD'S WORD FOR ISAN NEWSLETTER

June, 2018

Highlights of My Recent Trip to Thailand

"I Being in The Way the Lord Led Me..." (Genesis 24:27)

By Ron Myers

Greetings Again in Jesus' Name,

Here's a brief recap of my most-recent trip to Thailand, including highlights with photos. First, I'd like to introduce you to a new brother in Christ, Thai Immigration Official, Officer Det (*rhymes with eight*). I mentioned Officer Det in my mid-May newsletter update. We met when I visited the local Thai Immigration Office in Nakhon Phanom, seeking input on my 30-day Visa, which was due to expire the evening before my flight home. As it turned out, my concerns were groundless since the overstay period was less than a full day.



Getting back to Officer Det: When I told him I was a missionary, little did I realize that he carried a heavy burden of sin, and asked me in earnest about Jesus. (I had to pinch myself to make sure I wasn't dreaming when he said that.) I answered his questions, and supplied him with my Considering Creation evangelism story in both booklet and audio format, along with both a Thai and an Isan New Testament, folding over the first page of John's Gospel in both. Officer Det thanked me profusely. I added that if he had any questions to call me.

The morning before I was due to leave for Bangkok, he called, saying that he had some *stupid questions*. I assured him that all questions are valid. We agreed to meet for lunch, whereupon I invited Pastor Pitak to join us. When Officer Det arrived, he unloaded his sin-burdened heart before Pitak and me. We talked further, as I assured him that Jesus covered it all at Calvary, past, present, and future, reviewing the points contained in the lyrics of that great hymn: Calvary Covers It All. Officer Det sighed and said he wasn't sure what to do.

Upon that, I said, "Are you ready to receive Christ right now?" He faltered a bit and asked, "But, what do I say?"

"Just tell God the same things you told me, confessing that you're a sinner and need His mercy and forgiveness," I responded. This, he did, in a very simple but sincere prayer. I then opened John 3:16, and 3:36, inserting his name in the proper locations, assuring him through scripture what he had just done, reading God's Promises that were now his. This Sunday morning he emailed me, saying he was in Bangkok and was planning to worship at the Christian Police Officers' Fellowship there. Please hold Officer Det up before the Lord in prayer. These are crucial times for him as a New Creature In Christ. (On an encouraging side-note, he told me that the Isan New Testament is much easier to understand than the Thai version.)

Moving on, Baaw Ter—the radio announcer who had received Christ last year—is now back on track after a prolonged bout with the Flu, which made it impossible to narrate the Isan New Testament due to coughing spells, hoarseness, and achiness. In fact, he was able to finish the narration of John's Gospel and had begun the narration of the Book of Romans before I left. These are the books that I had him narrate first. **Please pray for God's watch-care and protection over Baaw Ter, his family, and his affairs**. He is fully committed to seeing the narration of the Isan New Testament through to completion. In doing so, he is taking pains to do a very precise and professional job using his expertise for the Lord. His goal is also to establish the "Good News Church" on his property, and is working and praying to that end, despite certain challenges that stand in the way. **Please pray that these challenges will aright themselves.**



Before I left Nakhon Phanom for Bangkok, Baaw Ter's wife Ju' wanted to take me out for a farewell dinner as a family. We all had a great time and it "seemed" that she was softening up a little in her acceptance of Baaw Ter and their son's Christian faith. Ju' has

By God's Grace and for His Glory,

Ron & Cheryl Myers God's Word for Isan: *IsanBible.org* definitely taken a liking to me, if no more than because she realizes how much I have helped her family. I prefer to believe she is beginning to sense the Lord in me, and not me as a person. Please pray that this will be so. Before we parted, I gave her the audio version of the Considering Creation Evangelism's narration, done by her husband, Baaw Ter. She accepted it and thanked me. Please pray that Ju' will actually listen to it in its entirety and become more attuned to who Jesus Christ actually is, her very own Creator and potential Savior

Baaw Ter's close friend, Ek (*rhymes with Ache*) has now also become interested in the claims of the Gospel. Ek also likes me and wanted to help send me off, a very nice gesture. Pastor Pitak (*left*) came along as well and took the opportunity to witness to Ek, who appears to be listening and responding.

Please pray for Ek as well, that he will understand and receive Christ. Ek has a YouTube channel called *Amazing Food*, which features all sorts of Thai, Isan, and Lao foods.

