"Things Blessed, Profitable, and Successful"

Hi All,

Greetings Once Again In the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Things are winding down here now for this trip. Reflecting back, I would say the whole trip was blessed, profitable, and very successful.

I arrived in Thailand on May 31 and spent the first few weeks in Bangkok, working on the drafts of the nine final scripture books left, which, when done, will mean the completion the Isan New Testament. (That's far from the actual end, though, because, before printing, there will be many months of checking and rechecking for accuracy, and content, final decisions and coordination of terms, as well as processing updates and input, final formatting, raising funds, etc.)

During this time in Bangkok, I also coordinated the printing and distribution of the 226-page dual language John-Romans book (done in Isan and Thai). The two men from *Bearing Precious Seed Global* (Steve Zeinner and Wayne Miller – sponsors of the printing) arrived on June 20, whereupon we flew up to Nakon Panom province, in the far reaches of the Isan region.

Our trip to Nakon Panom went well. We spoke and/or took part in John-Romans handing out events at two different churches. Being rainy season, it rained most of the time we were there. I also saw a lot of old friends while there, and was able to effectively witness to many of them as I handed them the small *Considering Creation* evangelism booklet, which they gladly received. Pray that God would put the desire in their hearts to read it through to completion.

After returning to Bangkok, the men from BPS Global headed home. I then flew up to Udon Province (Isan region) on June 29th, where I am now – a free flight based on travel bonus miles I had on Thai Airways that were about to expire. Thai national elections are scheduled for July 3rd. I'm keeping out of sight that day. I pray that all will go well, and that no serious violence will occur.

Again, I am both amazed and encouraged to see the enthusiastic response I have received while witnessing and passing out the *Considering Creation* evangelism booklet here in Udon. It really works as a precursor to understanding the Gospel message as it opens hearts and lessens the tendency to fall back on wrongful assumptions. (We included this in the front section of the John-Romans book. I believe it will prove to be a good decision, since it's a great lead-in for the Gospel of John.)

I return to Bangkok on Monday, July 4th. Then, on the 5th, I will speak to the senior class at Bangkok Bible College & Seminary throughout the morning sessions. I fly home the morning of Wednesday, July 6th.

Meanwhile, the 34,000 John-Romans books (packed in 340 custom made cardboard boxes) are printed and being handed out, shipped, or slated to be shipped to many other churches in the days after I leave. This task will be overseen and completed by my Thai friend and voluntary co-worker, Mr. Tirakon Kiatbanlue. I took Tirakon, his wife, and two young children out for dinner at one of the local Sizzler Restaurants the other evening. Numerous major Western corporate food establishments have outlets throughout Bangkok, although I personally don't frequent them much.

In closing, as I mention at the beginning of this letter, I would say this whole trip was blessed, profitable, and very successful for the advancement of the Kingdom.

Thank you again for your prayers and financial partnership, in this extremely vital work, located in this little-reached and over-populated land, which is beyond being white unto harvest. We need your help. Please remember to pray for the Isan people and their Thai cousins, that their hearts would be softened towards the Gospel of God's Amazing Grace—found only in the Person, Name, and Work of the Lord Jesus Christ!

By God's Enabling Grace and For His Eternal Glory,

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