



THE BALLOU FAMILY

LAMPHUN, THAILAND

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Father's Sunday, December 4
- Christmas Kids outreach, Dec 17,20
- Christmas Sunday, Dec 25

MINISTRY FOCUS

We have learned that every time we ask for prayer in a specific area, God hears the prayers of so many prayer partners around the world, and answers in amazing ways. Last prayer letter we asked you to pray for fruit in personal evangelism, and God has blessed greatly with new believers in this season. That leads to a new request for this month. We are putting a major focus on discipleship, and I am teaching a doctrines course for our church members. Would you help us pray for new believers to be rooted in Christ, and the church to grow in knowledge of the Word?

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DEAR FRIENDS,

It was three years ago that we'd become friends with a musician who also ran a well-known dessert shop in our town. He opens his shop at night, and we often drop by or sit and have a bowl of Tawtueng (Thai word for his dessert.) We were honored when he invited our family to go to his home village with some other friends from Lamphun for a New Year's celebration that was going to be held. It was there that we met another family. – Ton and Mot were incredible parents and obviously seeking to live their lives with excellence. They are readers, learners, doers, and hard workers. We got to have long conversations with them about family, kids, life, and the story of the Gospel that drew us to Thailand. Through covid times our contact was limited mostly to social media.

Fast forward to two weeks ago – a friend in our church organized a 14 km run through our city, Lamphun, that hit several great coffee shops. His aim was to support our local businesses and help us meet people in our community beyond the walls of our church. Alisa was running across an intersection when Ton and Mot, riding together on a motorbike, called out to her and said something incredible.

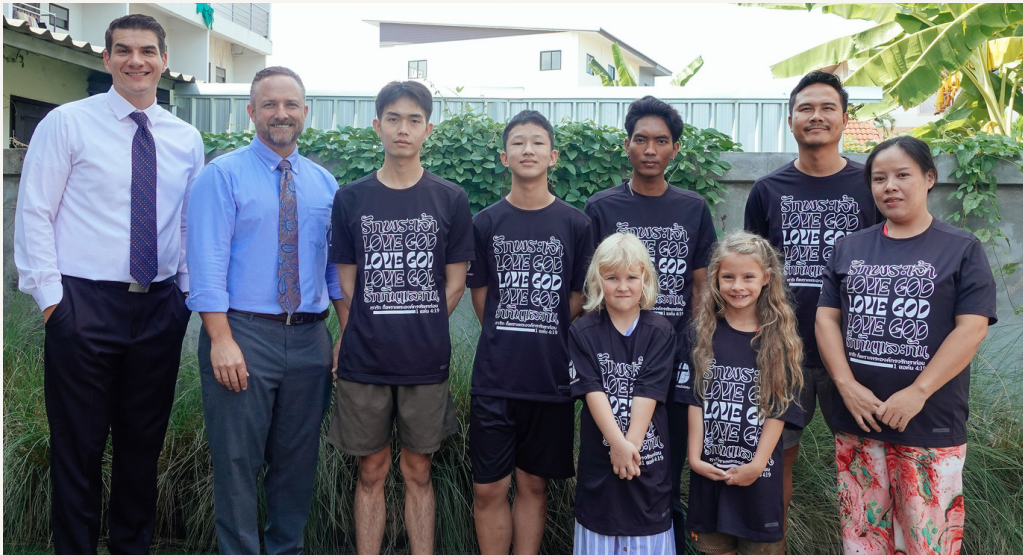
They said that all this time, since we met in the mountains three years ago, they've been studying about Christianity. They have come to believe Christ is the truth and want to raise their children to be Christian. Even with very busy schedules, they are finding ways to grow in church in their new-found faith!

We hope you are encouraged to know the power of your prayers, and blessed by the photos from our anniversary celebration Sunday!

*In Christ,
Jay and Alisa Ballou*



The first Sunday of November marked the seventh anniversary of this church plant, Sila Baptist Church. The church was greatly blessed to gather and remember all that God has done in us, for us, and through us over the course of these first 7 formative years. We were blessed by the testimonies of members, and saw seven new believers follow the Lord in baptism! Through the many seasons of starting a church, we are incredibly grateful for God's provision in every aspect of church life!



Ton and Mot met with me together to begin their journey following Christ.