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"Taking the gospel where it has never gone before"



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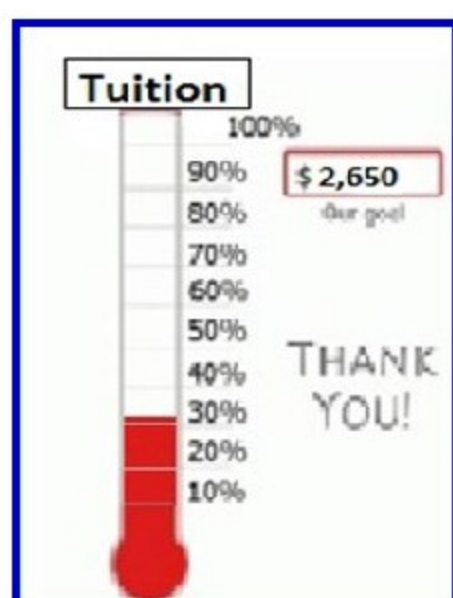
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**This year, in just 4 months, we have seen amazing growth in our ministry.** Our Home of Hope increased by 100% when we received Nadia and Ann into our home. Arisa and I finished 9<sup>th</sup> grade, and our parents are officially certified to open Grace Christian School using Accelerated Christian Education (A.C.E.) curriculum, for our kids. We have been writing our newsletter for 1 year now, and our number of subscribers has doubled!

We are now in the process of setting up our own foundation so that our assets will be secure. We will operate the school and all areas of our ministry under our foundation.

With our 9<sup>th</sup> grade of school finished already, we have planned the 10<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum that is to be sent to us once we pay the tuition. So, we thank all of our faithful partners that are helping us to reach this goal. (This includes our four kids' curriculum cost with mine and Arisa's.)



Earlier this month, our parents went to Bangkok for the Educators Training necessary to set up the school for our children. The kids are very excited about their new school, as we have explained to them briefly some of the cool activities they are going to be able to do. Soon we will be 'decorating' our classroom with new features and learning activities that we learned about in the school training.

Also, since Arisa and I are on a short break before we start our next school year, I look forward to doing many awesome arts and crafts projects with the kids and personal projects that I've wanted to do. We go to our local park often and on lots of road trips with just the family to enjoy each other's company. One good thing about having a large family is that there are so many different personalities and ideas, that it's never boring.

Last Sunday, we were blessed to be able to attend a small local church of one of our friends here in Nong Bua Lamphu. Arisa and I led praise and worship and our parents gave a message about a true relationship with God.



Personally, I feel that our ministry is on the verge of something great. I believe that soon we will find a piece of land that God has led us to, and the resources to start building the first Homes of Hope will flood in like we've never seen before. I believe that we will come to a place where whenever we get word of an abandoned child, we will never have to turn them away. **Abandoned children will not come to the Home of Hope because they are unwanted; abandoned children will come because they are wanted, by us.**

I believe that a passion will stir in the young people and older people alike to take part in what God has planned for them. I was talking recently with a new friend, and one thing she and I agree on is that it is sad and disappointing how many young people waste their talents on meaningless things in life. Every day, I pass by people living their lives, running about without a clue of what their true purpose is. They could be changing lives and seeing miracle after miracle if they just knew what God has in store for them. People go through life just *existing*. God has such a greater plan for all of us than we even realize. I pray that God gives me the strength and ability to be able to encourage people to seek out their true purpose.



May God bless you all abundantly,

**Ariya and Arisa DeVine**

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