

# DeVine MINISTRIES

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**Over 1000 children are abandoned every year in Thailand; that's 3 per day!** This is what all the studies show, and the most recent studies are nearly 10 years old. All studies say the number of abandoned children is increasing by a little over 2% per year. **Children are the future and these abandoned children are our mission field.**

## The government is working with us

Since moving to Nong Bua Lamphu, we have started working closely with the local child services office. They have come to our home and inspected everything we are doing. They have praised our methods and are helping us locate and rescue abandoned children. **They repeatedly call us about new cases. The problem is, we are out of room and our resources are limited.**

## The land we need



We are searching for land in order to find a suitable place to build a proper facility. We have found several pieces of land and one especially looks promising. The location is great, there is room for expansion in the future and the price is very reasonable.

## Setting up our own foundation

After building a good relationship with the government officials, it is clear that we need to set up our own foundation if we are going to grow and be able to operate all aspects of our ministry together. To do this we need approximately \$8,000 USD. It is much like the way we set up our 501 (c) 3 in the US, except more expensive. We have been operating under another foundation since we came to Thailand, but now we are about to acquire significant assets, therefore, we need to put them under our own foundation.

Once our foundation is set up, we will also have the advantage of being able to provide visas and work permits to anyone who is coming to work with us.

## God has been preparing us for such a time as this

We are moving into a new phase, and we are growing quickly. It seems that God was watching to see if we would be faithful with the little He first gave us and now He is really opening the flood gates. We can see that He is guiding our every step and great things are happening. One of our partners recently said to me, **"The vision that God has given you is SO BIG!"** Yes, it is! God is BIG and I believe He has BIG plans for Thailand. **My question to you is, do you want to be a part of it?** We are so thankful to have partners that have faithfully supported this ministry and helped make everything possible, bringing us to where we are today.

## Grace Christian School

Our administrator training is complete for the school and we can now launch Grace Christian School. We intend to open the school to the public in the new facility. Through the school, we will raise up the leaders of the future and reach Thailand for Christ, one child at a time. We plan to offer K-12 Christian education and we pray that someone who shares our vision will come and operate a Charis Bible College in the same facility.



## The vision

David, our first Home of Hope child, said to me one day, **"Daddy, imagine what Thailand will be like when I am grown, when so many Home of Hope children are police, teachers, businessmen, government officials, and maybe even the prime minister. Imagine how this country will change."** I was so excited that he too had the vision!



## Plan for the first phase of construction

Once we purchase land, we need to build at least two small homes for the children and their host families. I do not believe in institutionalizing children. They need more than just their physical needs met, they need to grow up with the model of a Christian home, with a godly mom and dad.



We care for the children we have rescued with the same love and care that we have for our own children. I believe this is the proper way to raise these children, giving them the love and hope they deserve. We are training these children in the way they should go, helping them develop character and walk in God's plan for their lives.

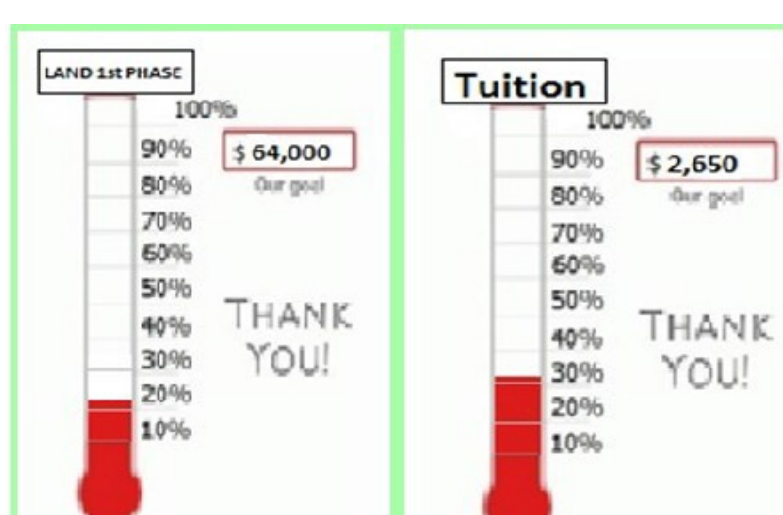
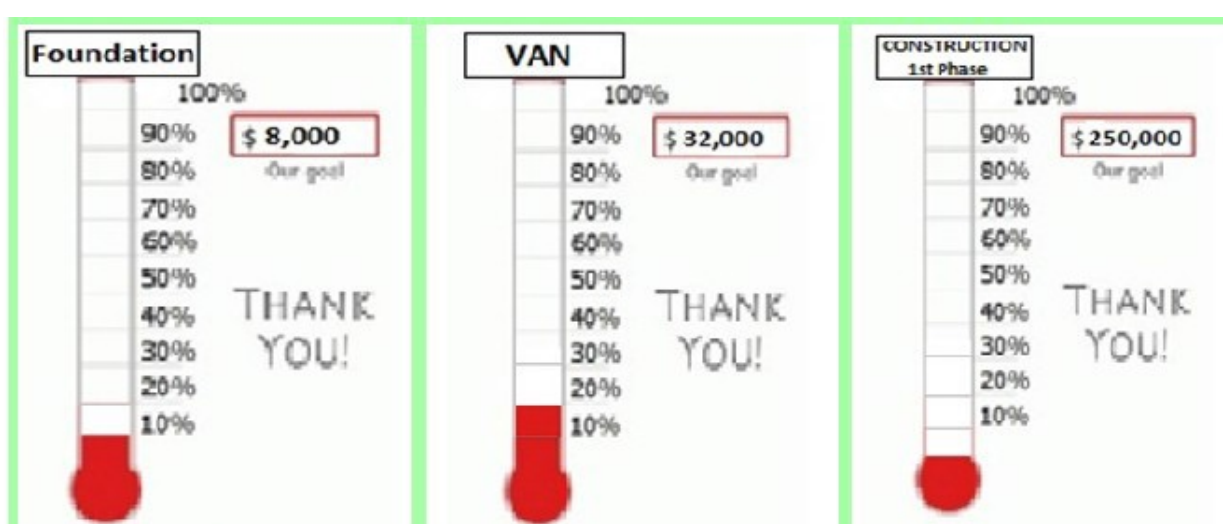
*"When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take care of me."* Psalms 27:10

## Will you help us and be a part of this great vision that God has given us?

Help us move forward, rescuing hopeless abandoned children. Help us raise up the next generation of godly leaders. God wants Thailand to know Him, I am offering you the opportunity to be part of reaching Thailand for Christ.

Bless you,  
The DeVine Family

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