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On the 1st of this month we celebrated Ann's 9th birthday. It was the first birthday party she ever had. We were all very happy to buy her presents and see her blessed and loved.

Arisa and I celebrated our 16th birthday on the 13th. Our Mom came to visit and celebrated with us also. We all had fun and the kids got to bowl for the first time.



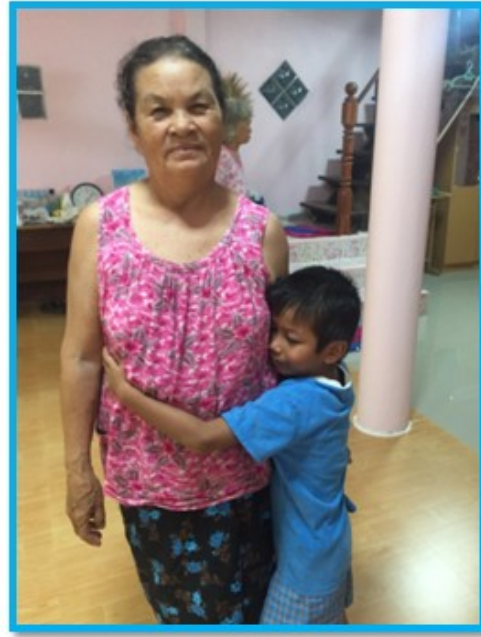
A couple of days after our birthday Mew, Tunwah, my mom and I went to Yasothon, a city about 6 hours away to visit my grandparents. They had just gotten their house rebuilt so I was able to help with a lot of decorations and installations to the new home. I was happy to help in any way I could.



With my grandparents

One night, my grandmother's friend came over to visit. She sat and showed us her leg that was greatly swollen from a giant centipede bite. As soon as Tunwah heard of her hurt leg he asked to pray for her. She said yes, Tunwah laid hands on her and prayed, and the lady was immediately healed! She was so surprised, she said, "My leg doesn't hurt anymore!" We told her it was through God's power that she was healed.

The next morning, she came to the house once again and told us it was the first night in a long time that she had slept soundly. She asked for prayer again; this time for her back that was aching. Tunwah was happy to pray for her once more, and just like the first time, she was healed immediately. Praise the Lord for the amazing child-like faith that these children have! Without any doubt whatsoever in his mind, Tunwah prayed for this lady and believed that she would be healed, and it was so. This is exactly what Christianity is; it's a personal relationship with God our father. Our children that we rescue grow up without any influence of 'religion and ritual'. They don't think about having to say a prayer a certain way to be healed, or having to do this or that. Tunwah prayed with a true and sincere heart and the lady was healed.

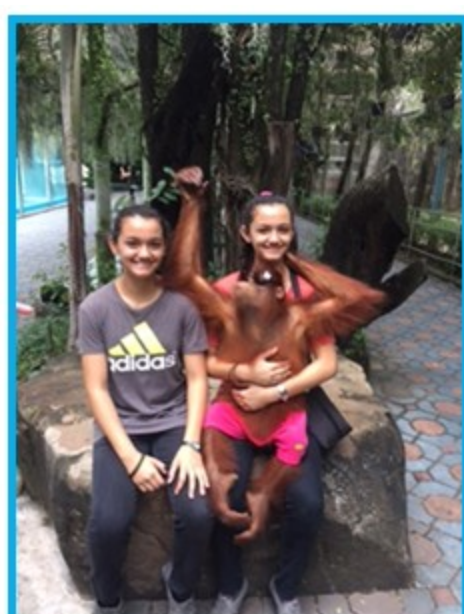


After Yasothon, Arisa and I went to Bangkok for a small vacation with our mom. Even though we were on vacation, we still carried God's light and the Gospel with us everywhere we went.

Some people may think that being a full-time missionary requires sacrificing fun childhood times and having to work every day. Arisa and I find it completely the opposite of that. We still get to have fun going on vacation, rock climbing, going out with our family and doing things normal teenagers do; all the while getting to minister to people along the way. We have a balanced and happy life by doing what we like to do personally, and by doing God's work also. Being a missionary doesn't mean we can't have fun.



We had fun spending time with our mom for our birthday, but we're also glad to be back home with our family.



May God bless you all,

Ariya and Arisa DeVine

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