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Many times, I am amazed by how God has always provided for us; and when I think back on some hard times that we have had, all I can wonder is: *how was it possible?* Several times, it seemed that we would not make it. There have been occasions where we did not have any money to buy groceries, or our vehicle was all out of fuel; but when I think back, I remember it always being a miracle where God would provide and we would have the resources to buy everything we needed.

With our family quickly growing, we have literally been living day by day. One important key to remember though is, when going through hard times always keep your eyes on the Lord. It is very easy to become discouraged and start to lose faith, but countless times, over and over again, God has shown us that He is always watching out for us and will never cease to provide.

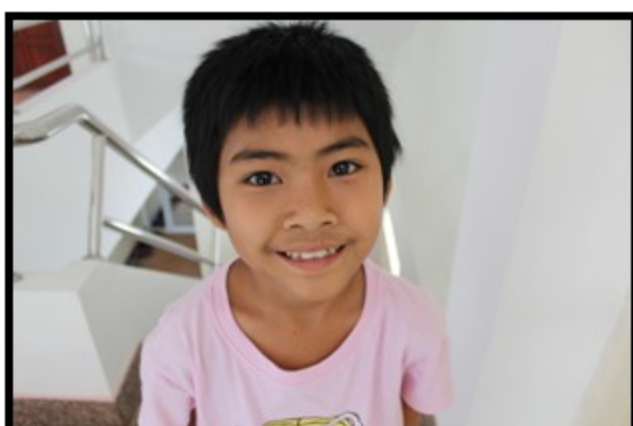
A lot has happened in our ministry in just 1 month and I would like to thank all of our partners for being such a blessing. Since we have moved to Nong Bua Lamphu, we have met many wonderful Godly people and have had divine appointments one after the other.

The children are learning very well in school and will continue to excel as they are challenged with new curriculum from the School of Tomorrow Asia.

On the 7th of this month we also celebrated David's 10th birthday! We are so thankful that we are able to give him a good life and the love he deserves.



Earlier this month, we learned that we would be able to take in two girls into our home. This month, I would like to talk about the younger one; her name is Ann. Ann and her brother were abandoned by their mother to live with a man she was staying with. This man barely fed them, terribly beat them and never sent them to school. **Ann is 7 years old but doesn't know the days of the week, or even numbers, letters and colors.** When we first heard of her case we went to see her and her brother at a social services building where they were keeping them. The staff there had shaved her head completely because she had severe lice. Ann's brother was sent to a government boy's orphanage in another city, but we hope someday in the near future we will be able to get him to come and be with us too.



We have remodeled a section on the second floor of our home so that the girls have their own room now. When Ann first sat down on her bed, she exclaimed, "It's so soft!" I asked her if she ever had a bed before to which she replied, "No, I've only slept on this," as she tapped the floor.

I am always so moved with compassion for the many children who are abandoned, sold, or mistreated every day. It makes me realize what a great need there is for purchasable land and resources so that we may expand and will never have to reject a child from coming into our home because we have no more room.

The children are our future. They are the next generation, but yet everywhere, all over the world they are being neglected and mistreated. All the time, I thank God for blessing us abundantly and there is nothing else in the world that I would rather be doing than what God is calling me to do and has put on my heart.



Thank you for giving to the lord and being a blessing to others.

God bless you,
Ariya and Arisa DeVine

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