

### Hard work! This whole month has been exhausting.

Mew and the girls made two different trips to Grandma and Grandpa's house, five hours away in Yasothon. The first time they went to paint their house. The next time was to help out and care for Grandpa after his second cataract surgery. He is recovering nicely and can now see perfectly. What a blessing; before his two surgeries, he was almost blind.



We all worked together with shovels to dig a sixty foot, four foot deep ditch to put in a field line for our septic tank. We have had trouble with our septic tank filling up and needing pumping about every 6 weeks for two years now and our landlord would not fix it, so we did it ourselves. Despite the 100 + degree daytime temperatures and having to work around frequent showers since the rainy season has begun, we finally finished the job and now everything flows as it should.

It cost around \$150 for materials, but would have cost over \$300 to have it done. Since we are needing tuition money for all our children, we opted to do the work ourselves and save some money. We are always very careful with the financial provision from our faithful partners.



### We are at a place where we must decide to go forward in a small step or go forward in a big way.

All the land we have located is very large, perfect for all our future plans and growth or small but suitable for the present and the near future.

We have located a couple pieces of land that would be perfect for each case. One is 49 acres which would be perfect for the Home of Hope, Grace Christian International School, dorms for boarding students, housing for staff and visiting mission teams, Grace Bible College, our full aquaponics farming and room for years of growth where we can rescue hundreds of children. The total cost for this piece of land is \$1.3 million.

Another piece of land is nearly 3 acres for a total cost of \$45,400 and is frankly the best price per acre we have found on land anywhere that is suitable for building. There is also an opportunity to purchase a couple more acres along side this property in the future. We would not be able to build the International school, the Bible school and the boarding school dorms on this land because it would not legally meet the requirement of space for that. We would not have the room for growth that the larger land would provide, but we could certainly get started by building adequate housing, a classroom for home schooling and other classes, guest housing for visiting mission teams and other staff, and adequate space for aquaponics farming. Even with the option of the extra couple of acres, we would be limited on the number of children we would have room for.

The house we are renting is a blessing and it provided a way for us to make the move to this area where we will ultimately build everything, but is not possible for further growth. We are limited because it is a rental house; we lack the space to properly accommodate visiting missionaries or team members. **We have no more room to rescue more children and there is no way to build proper aquaponic farming systems.** As I mentioned before, the farming is so important for our food needs and will also generate income for the ministry.

### We are at a place where we either sit still and continue on without growth or we make the move to go forward where we can rescue more children, reach more people, disciple many others and make an impact on Thailand in a big way.

We are waiting on the Lord, if we are to grow and fulfill the vision the Lord has given us for Thailand, He must provide the means. I believe in this vision with all my heart, so I know the provision is coming. If God puts on your heart to partner with us or to help with the additional finances needed to take this step forward, you may do so at the link below.

### This is not about the land or a larger facility, these things are just tools with which we can reach thousands of people and rescue thousands of abandoned and orphaned children; it is about the people, that is the treasure we desire for the kingdom of God.

Let us know what you think, should we take the big step or the small step and wait for future growth in a bigger way? Personally, I like to dream big and believe God for great things. I am all for the big step and growth in a big way, but we will do whatever the Lord desires and we will go with whatever He provides for at this time. Will you be a part of reaching Thailand for the Kingdom of God? Help us take the gospel where it has never gone before, help us rescue thousands of children that have been thrown away, help us give them hope and raise them up for the future.



So much has been accomplished already with the support of our partners, and there is so much more that the Lord desires to do here. Thank you to all our partners for your faithful support.

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