The Sullivants in Thailand

Michael, Jr. & Maureen Jessica, Wayne, Wyatt & Charity



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Dear Faithful Friends,

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support for our family and ministry here in Thailand! We appreciate you and pray for God's guidance and blessing to be upon you as well.

Thank you for those who have been praying for us to have wisdom in sending our oldest daughter Jessica (18) back to Canada. At the end of February, we felt that the time had come to send her back and she returned to Canada on April 14th. As you can imagine, the hoops that must be jumped through were significant as Thailand has rules, the airlines have more rules, the government of Canada has rules, and our provincial government in Manitoba have their own rules! Maureen was busy just keeping up with the rules and guidelines for Jessica's trip, as they sometimes changed on a daily basis. All of Maureen's work paid off with Jessica's trip going as smoothly as could be expected, and she "passed" all of her Covid tests with no problems. Thanks so much for your prayers in regards to Jessica's repatriation.

Covid-19, Ministry and Cancellations

As I write this Thailand is going into its third wave of Covid-19, and the various levels of government are each sending out their own messages and restrictions. This discord makes this another difficult time to navigate. Just this week, many of the local governments have mandated wearing masks at all times when out of your house...I guess we can take comfort that they are not respecting persons since the first person I saw that was fined (\$180USD) was the Prime Minister who had removed his mask when chairing a meeting! However, for those of us who are foreigners, the penalties could include being deported!

One of the events that was cancelled was the annual Missionary Kids Camp that we have helped/participated in for the last 4-5 years. This was a great disappointment to all of us, but especially the kids. The government restrictions made interprovincial travel impossible without 2 weeks of quarantine – 2 weeks going, 2 weeks returning.

In recent weeks, our attendance at SKBC has been down as some have been afraid of the virus, though no one in our church has contracted the virus, or even knows anyone who has locally. Due to increasing restrictions, we may be needing to adjust our service schedule to be able to accommodate everyone.

At the beginning of April (before the restrictions tightened again), we were able to go Chiang Mai to participate in the graduation ceremony of one of the Bible Institute students there. While there, we were able to meet some of the other online students I teach in person, as well as fellowship with other missionaries and pastors.

Thanks to all of you who sent Wayne greetings on his 17th birthday! We are blessed to have Wayne in our family, and are determined to make the most of the last year he has in our home.

God Bless,

Michael Sullivant, Jr. & Family

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