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Dear fellow-laborers,

This will be a brief letter. I want to get it off as soon as possible to update all of you on progress in purchasing the land for Legacy School and tell you about the Feast site preparations.

Update on Land Purchase

God is graciously answering our prayers through His people! So far we have received donations totaling about 60% of what we need to purchase the land in Thailand for the Legacy Institute school. We are overwhelmed by the response of those of you who are helping support the Work of God in Asia through your heart-felt prayers and free-will offerings! God will certainly bless all of you for your kindness and generosity.

When the members of the Legacy board of directors discussed the purchase of the land for a more permanent location for the LI school, we agreed that, if it was the Will of God, it would certainly happen, even though we had no initial funds.

God has blessed us all along. The location is a very good one. We are located about 7 miles outside the city in a rural area. Yet we are close to modern medical facilities, warehouse type stores and the Chiang Mai International Airport. The land is on a small river so we can irrigate the vegetable garden during the dry season. There is a single, large, 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick house with teakwood floors we can use for the library and classrooms; 2 outbuildings with kitchen and 2 bathrooms; also 2 "salas" (what we might call "gazebos") we can also use for classes and/or tutoring. We have room to build dormitory facilities and other classrooms as needed. There are many fruit trees and flowering plants – even a fish pond! The potential is here to make a beautiful and yet functional campus!

Of course there is a lot of work ahead and it will take time. But nothing worthwhile comes about without time, hard work and sacrifice.

Like I said, we are at about 60% of what we need. We request your continuous and fervent prayers that God provide 100% of the funding necessary. The bank has kindly given us an extension of time to get all the money together. But they will not give this extension indefinitely. There are others waiting in the wings who want the property and continue to pressure the bank to drop us!

Some of you have expressed feeling badly that you cannot donate any more than you have. Don't feel that way! You have already sacrificed – and all of your fervent prayers that God provide for this project are, frankly, more valuable! God hears the prayers of His saints – AND He acts on them! Please continue to pray that His will be done in this matter. That is REALLY the most important thing you can do.

A permanent school location in Thailand is very important. No other country in South or Southeast Asia other than perhaps Singapore or possibly the Philippines has the religious freedom to set up a Christian, Bible-based, liberal arts institution with American teachers. None of the countries surrounding Thailand have such freedom and the positive relationship with America to permit extended visas for our volunteer teachers so that they can teach the True Way of Life to young people from Thailand and neighboring countries - not Laos, not Cambodia, not Malaysia, not Vietnam. Certainly not Burma or China! Even India, one of the great democracies of the world, has incidents of sometimes brutal persecution towards Christians. In Thailand, it is the person of the king who guarantees religious freedom, and nowhere in the world do we have the favor of ANY royal family like we have in Thailand.

I firmly believe God has arranged for us to have the favor and freedom we enjoy here – JUST so that He can build a place for young men and women to learn His TRUE WAY OF LIFE in order to return to their countries and teach it to others!

God has blessed us with very special teachers who have grown up with the knowledge of God's Way and they are now volunteering their lives at this time to teaching not only English and computer classes, etc... – but, God's True Way of Life. Teaching is only one aspect. Their examples and shining lights speak even louder!!!

Now God has given us the opportunity to acquire very good facilities to build HIS school! We must do all in our power to make this dream a reality! And praying to our Almighty God who makes miracles happen is the most important thing we can do.

We will continue to keep you posted. We would like to get this land purchase settled by the Feast – *but it is up to God.*

Feast of Tabernacles – Thailand – India – Burma

The Feast is right around the corner! This year Legacy Institute will sponsor Feast sites in **Thailand** and **India**. I am also hopeful we can help sponsor a centralized festival location this year in **Burma**.

If you are still undecided about where you will go, and want to fellowship with brethren at an international location, then perhaps one of these sites would be for you. Thailand will have the most modern facilities, much like what you would expect in America or Europe. For the past 4 years we have held the Feast in the Empress Hotel, a 4-star hotel with all the modern conveniences you could ask for. But most important, Feast-goers from the West have the opportunity to get to know the Karen tribal brethren from Thailand and our Legacy Institute students.

If we are indeed able to set up a Feast site in Central Burma, facilities will be at the other end of the scale. We have found a small guesthouse with adequate facilities (running water, etc.) operated by a Chinese husband and wife team of medical doctors near the city of Taungoo in Central Burma. Keeping the Feast there will be more along the lines of an adventure! Again, the real benefit of attending in Burma will be the chance to meet your brethren from the Karen, Kachin and Chin tribes from remote mountains and jungles. We are hopeful we can arrange for a Feast site there, as God wills.

India will be somewhere in the middle. The Feast will be split between 2 locations; Madras (Chennai) and a location further inland which is closer to the majority of the brethren who fellowship together in Tamil Nadu State. Facilities will be closer to what you might expect from a travel motel in the US.

If you want further information, please write us at the above address on our letterhead, e-mail or call us at the following:

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That is about all for now. Please continue to pray for my health. The leg problem is over, but because of the massive doses of antibiotics given to me in the hospital, I am susceptible to infections, and that is not a good problem to have in Asia. I am currently battling an ear infection that just will not go away. Please pray that God will heal me and restore my health so that I will be able to travel to Burma for Trumpets and India for the Feast of Tabernacles without difficulty.

I am looking forward to the Feast of Tabernacles this year more than ever before. I look back over the past 4 years and am simply astonished at what God has achieved in a very short time. Now there are literally hundreds of Chin, Kachin, Burmese, Karen and Tamil brethren keeping the Feast of Tabernacles before the Almighty, *where before there were none!* God is calling a people to Himself from among these tribes and peoples, and they are gathering together to worship Him and keep His Holy Days! And when they gather, there is always joy and happiness. Even though they may be some of the poorest of our brethren, they share all they have and rejoice together before God Almighty.

Jesus said that many from the East and the West would be gathered to sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the Wonderful World to come (Matthew 8:11). Now, *for awhile*, God has given us the opportunity to gather together in peace to have a foretaste of that Day.

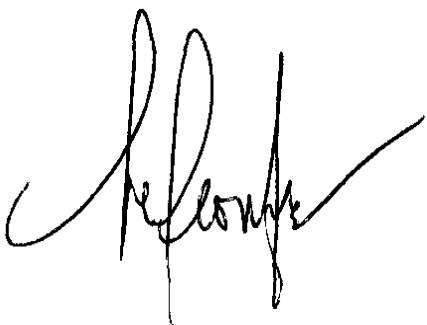
Rejoice this year at the Feast! Rejoice with family and friends. Reach out to friends from the past and make new ones. Don't waste ONE MINUTE in negative activities or thoughts! Make every day of the Feast count for something. Try to do something special for the widow or the fatherless. Visit a shut-in during the Fall Festival period. Do something extra special for a brother or sister having hard times. Emulate Jesus Our Lord.

The Bible tells us that, in the Kingdom of God, ALL NATIONS will come up to Jerusalem to worship the King and keep the Feast of Tabernacles (Zech. 14:18).

Who will lead the way for them? Who will be the lights to guide them? Well, it will be those of us – ALL OF US – who are keeping the Feasts of God right now!!

Travel safely and may God grant you all peace and joy at His Feast of Tabernacles.

In Service to the King of Kings,



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