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"...Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine." Isaiah 43:1

Dear prayer partners,

Although the world is shaken by another wave of Covid particularly in Asia, God is in control. In our QT passage in Isaiah 43, God is revealing Himself that He protects and saves us because He chose us. We have no doubt the God's passion for the lost is moving forward among His people, churches, Christian organizations-and for that we give thanks to the Lord.

The situation in Southeast Asia is getting worse due to Covid. Our dear brother, Khai (43 years old), the Field leader of OM Myanmar, tested positive for Covid-19 and was transferred to the hospital within a week. We are deeply saddened to share that he was put into the arms of the Lord on July 12 due to the lack of oxygen in the hospital. All OMers have mourned for the sad news that he had to leave behind his beloved wife, Khwan Nu, and three young children. Khai poured out his work for evangelism to the unreached people which has been going well in Myanmar over the past few years. We were all amazed at the unexpected news while praying for his speedy recovery. A few days ago, we carried out an online memorial service with OM Myanmar team and his family.

Please pray for Khai's family (Khwan Nu and three children pictured on the side) and the OM Myanmar team.

On July 20th, the Bangkok Post stated that Thailand had more than 13,000 confirmed cases of Covid-19 and many deaths in Thailand. There is currently a full lockdown in the Bangkok. It seems that the government cannot trace sources of outbreaks and people fear that there are not enough vaccines available. Local churches and OM Thailand team are also experiencing difficulties as they are limited in their ministry. Esther and I are going to apply for a retirement visa, but we are struggling because the government is forcing foreigners to purchase an extra Covid insurance from a Thai insurance company at outrageously high prices. As a result, we are planning to apply for a religious visa again.

Pray for the Covid situation in Thailand and the visa issues as we plan to return in October.

The Southeast Asian financial development campaign has been funded by a Christian foundation in the United States. Woody and OM International Generosity Team are developing a program for self-sustainable financial independence in Southeast Asia. For this program, we need to hire a professional fundraiser and recruit MCM (Marketing Communication Manager) co-workers in the East Asia area.

Please pray for the recruitment of a professional fundraiser and MCMs to serve in the East Asia Area Financial Development team.

Many obstacles may be standing in our way, so we pray that the Lord will help us to remain humble and fix our eyes on the Lord. We value your prayer and support during the time of trials.

Blessings,

Woody, Esther, Irene, Nathan, Diane Kim

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