

At the end of our last letter, we had just returned from Christmas celebrations in the Hmong refugee camp in Phetchabun province. It was a joy to be with the believers and the other missionary families for those services.

As soon as we returned from that trip, Krinny began to have severe pains in her abdomen. We assumed it was a food related virus but it soon became evident that it was much more. She was hospitalized on January 5, and really was not released from the Dr's care until March 21, two days before we were scheduled to leave Thailand. A message from her is on the last page of this letter. She will tell you more about it and how she is doing now.

You must understand that when we left for Thailand just over one year ago, she was periodically using a cane to get around because of a knee problem that had bothered her for more than three years previously. She had knee surgery in May 2005 in Thailand and was not fully mobile with that before she had the problem in December that led to 36 days in the hospital and colon surgery in February of this year, also done in Thailand. All in all, the whole time we were in Thailand she was incapacitated to some degree physically. Now that she is on the mend, she finds herself in better condition than she was when we left for Thailand in February 2005. We are so grateful for the Lord having us in Thailand during this time.

Several have asked about the care Krinny had while in Thailand. In our opinion the hospital and Doctors at the facility we used could not have been better anywhere in the world! In addition to that, the fees were MUCH less than in the USA. Many people from around the world travel to this facility for medical care. If you are interested in finding out about this facility, use the following URL to find out for yourself. 🌐

<www.bumrungrad.com>

Hmong ministry

The Hmong refugees remain in Thailand for now. Still languishing by the roadside, they are living in huts, in conditions that are deplorable. The 29 children arrested by the Thai police and returned to Laos have not been returned and their parents still grieve. The Lord is using the tragedy in the lives of the parents and it has been possible for the members of the Nam Khao Baptist Church to minister to some of them. The church continues to grow, both numerically and in wisdom and knowledge of the Lord. The believers are learning to witness to their fellow refugees and people are being won to Christ. Bro. Jeff Lange continues to pour himself into teaching the men of the church how to lead, and how to teach others to do the same. 🌐

Ge Chang, Hmong/ American Preacher

Bro. Chang was one of the two Hmong/American preachers who spent two weeks ministering alongside Bro. Lange last year. He was an incredible help witnessing and interpreting in the Hmong language. He has just returned to Thailand to stay for an extended time with his family. How we thank God for His provision of this man and his family and for their sacrifice in this way. Some churches got on board quickly to help him financially. He is still in need of support however. Please pray for him and his family as they minister with the Hmong. 🌐

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Videos:

After several years of preparation and several false starts, we have finally begun to edit and produce videos. Over the past two years or so we have obtained the necessary equipment and training and it has begun to pay off.

Our vision with this is to produce short videos that focus churches on missions. We also plan to produce culturally relevant evangelistic videos to be used in different regions of the world.

If you would like to receive any of the following videos, please write or e-mail us and we will send them to you free of charge. The longest of these is the one on North Korea and it runs 16 minutes. The rest are only about 10 to 12 minutes or less and are perfect for showing in churches. We have received much positive feedback from Pastors about the effectiveness of these videos. The titles are as follows:

North Korea – *Land of Darkness, Land of Hope*
RLI - *Humanitarian work with the Hmong Refugees of Huay Nam Khao, Phetchabun, Thailand.*

Birth of Nam Khao Baptist Church – *A special video report by the Jeff Lange and Tom Gaudet missionary families.*

Persecution in East Timor – *Missionary Ferdie Flores who suffered severe beating.*

What Do They Do Anyway? – *A video presentation about Short Term Missions and one missionary family (Us!!)*

Nothing Worthy of Death or of Bonds - 27
Hmong refugee children deported without their parents from Thailand to communist Laos.

Once again, all of these videos are available free of charge upon request. We produce them in the DVD format but could upon special request provide them in another format such as tape or VCD 🌐



Bro. Ge Chang, Hmong/American with two of his relatives who are refugees.

From Krinny:

I am happy to be back in our home Church and it is so good to see my friends. Bangkok has been both a great trial and a great blessing. It is a big, filthy, debauched city with bad air, heavy traffic and all the other problems of a big city in a recently developed nation. However, the people are open and friendly. While open, most have never heard or understood a clear gospel message. God has worked in many areas of ministry.

Thailand has a world-class hospital and the Lord saw fit for me to be in excellent hands when I needed serious medical care.

It is good to be out of the hospital and recovering quickly. We have been at home in Texas for awhile and I am feeling almost like my old self again. It took 2½ weeks, but I am finally over jet lag. I want to thank all of you who prayed for me during my “incarceration” at the hospital. I was there for 36 days total and it took a lot out of me, no pun intended.

As bad as it was, I shudder to think what would have happened if there had not been so many of you who prayed, called, sent cards and e-mail. I thank you more than you will ever know this side of Heaven.

Our ladies have gone their separate ways. Sarah Wilson is here in Ft. Worth, and has just finished the editing on the latest video about the abducted Hmong children. Susanna Domangue is home in Louisiana and is printing a large quantity of materials for the country of Colombia, South America, for missionaries there. Myra Noel is in Kentucky visiting with her folks and Andrea King is home in Missouri with her folks. At this time we do not know who will be going back to Thailand with us. That is in the Lord’s hands and He has always provided us with skilled and willing workers.

Tom has meetings lined up for the few months that we will be home, but I will not be traveling with him much. I am going to spend this time at home to recuperate and rest, something that I know that I must do if I am going to be effective when we go back. 🌍

Relief Logistics International

So far RLI, a non-profit N.G.O. (non-governmental organization), has given over **200 tons** of rice to the Hmong refugees to help relieve their physical suffering. The refugees are not allowed to work or even forage for food. RLI is not supplying all their need for food, but is helping as it is able and as donations have come in. If you would like to help with this need as many have, please contact: <travis@rlingo.org> or 817-781-3738 🌍



Part of a 6.6 Ton shipment of Rice



Hmong Refugees using a songbook we printed for them.

Returning to Thailand

We will be going back to Thailand in a few months to pick up where we left off with the job we originally went there to do. We have barely scratched the surface of what needs to be done concerning getting literature into the surrounding countries. Praise God for His great wisdom and direction with the Hmong refugees. How we marvel at how He works to achieve His own goals. We will, of course, still be involved with the Hmong, but we will primarily be focusing on the whole region once again...maybe. However God leads



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is what we will be doing, and this is just a basic plan that can and will be altered as it has been many times in the past, as He sees fit. 🌍

E-mail users

The quickest and easiest way to communicate with us either on the field or in the States is via E-mail. Please add us to your list of contacts and send us your e-mail information so that we can better communicate with you. My e-mail address is shown in the information block below. Krinny has her own address: <Krinnygau@aol.com>

We would also love to put your address on the list for our e-mail updates. So much happens between mailing these paper letters! 🌍

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