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DOUG AND CARY AT HOME IN AZ

END OF YEAR REPORT

Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth! Psalm 46:10

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Pro. 3:5,6

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Phil. 4:6,7

It's cold now in Arizona. We were especially aware of it this year as we sat in a borrowed toy-hauler trailer asking when we will be allowed back into our countries of favor. Family obligations, Covid 19, and the political climate of various countries has made return to Asia/SE Asia difficult. We could muster through the difficulties in our own power because we are anxious to be back with our friends and co-workers, but that would not give glory to God, nor would it be good stewardship of the funds entrusted to us by you, our partners in this work. In the meantime, we don't sit still. Take a moment and give this update a look.



Declare HIs glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. 1 Chr. 16:24

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Gal 6:9

This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached into the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come. Mat 24:14



#### **CHINA**

While the doors to this country seem to be opening for business and travel, there is heightened scrutiny on Americans that make our particular business more problematic for our local friends. Many co-workers in Christ have been detained and/or deported from our relativity safe city over the last six months. We still have friends working diligently in country. Contact us if you would like to pray for them specifically. Our local friends are doing well, and we keep up with them through social media and Zoom calls. Please pray for the people and leaders of this country. Increased food prices, mounting regulations for religious groups, continued political unrest, and outright persecution abound throughout the land. Sanctioned religions or churches are pressured to espouse the communist party line while underground churches struggle with disunity, false teachers and the threat of government intervention.

#### THAILAND

Oh, how we miss this land of smiling faces! The church planted in our rented house in Chiang Mai is going strong under the leadership of our Korean co-workers. A family that started coming to Agape Church before we left has recently accepted the Lord Jesus as Savior! The ministry there is mostly to children and youth but the parents and grandparents continue to hear the word. They now meet on Sunday for worship and the word. On Wednesday evening they meet for bible study. Our co-workers and neighbors watch over the house for us, which is a blessing. We have a few personal things there still, and all the items for church services reside in the house. People still use the pingpong table and several parties have been hosted in our home. It is exciting to know the ministry to the neighbors continues. Our good Lord willing, we will return to expand the work. In the meantime: Cary keeps in touch with a couple of the grandmothers, our Korean co-worker, Esther and a couple of the kids. Doug has regular calls with our Korean co-worker Bill. Our lease is up in about 12 days. We hope one of our co-workers can continue to pay the rent or find another house in the neighborhood to host this local gathering of the

church. Please contact us if you feel lead to help support Agape Church.

#### **KOREA**

We have told you all about our Korean co-workers in Thailand on other occasions. Global Youth Discipleship Institute and Global Youth Network is managed by founder, Bill Son, one of our coworkers. Plans are in the works to develop an exchange or camp type atmosphere for Korean/Asian students travel to the US and work with the local church while learning from staff and members during their stay. This is open also to young adults living in the states. Contact us if you are interested in learning about this group or you would like to host an 'exchange student'. Doug works with a few young Korean men early Thursday mornings in an English language and discipleship class. This takes a lot of dedication on the part of these young men. They have already spent a long day at work and/or studies, then spend an hour before bed practicing English as they study the Bible together. Doug gets up at 04:30 to make coffee and walk the dogs before he gets this study group going. Cary works with a couple of young women from the same group. Please pray for these missions team disciples.



#### **USA**

Visa issues in both China and Thailand make it very difficult to return to our chosen field. We strongly feel God is not done with us, so we wait. I have been quite anxious with the how, when and why of this interlude. Much prayer has been going up as we search for answers. God is so good. He keeps pouring His peace and grace into every situation. Recently, both Doug and I felt God tell us to abide in place.

Abide does not mean do nothing, thank goodness. We will 'live and dwell' in this place as we wait. Doug will get back in the swing of things at Calvary Chapel FourteenSix. Cary will help where needed, and keep up with our contacts here and abroad. Both of us will run back and forth to the Houston area to visit kids and grandkids frequently.



# **THANKSGIVING**

We enjoyed spending time with friends this Thanksgiving. It seems to be the forgotten holiday according to the world. Good only for sales and a few days off before the busy Christmas season is upon us. For me, Cary, this time is one of my favorite holidays. Yes, I enjoy the great food and fellowship! More than that, I love the concerted, intentional time of giving thanks to our Father God for all His many blessings. I love seeing the daily thanksgiving by others on social media. I love that little bit of extra awareness I get during this time. "O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the people. Psalms 105:1"

## **CHRISTMAS**

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6



## **ENCOURAGEMENT**

We are encouraged to see we may be able to reenter Thailand as tourists in less than six months, according to the latest government stipulations posted by the Royal Thai Embassy. If a job opportunity presents itself prior to that time we will look into returning earlier!

Covid 19 has caused much anxiety and heartache for our friends and loved ones. Many people from our home church, friends, and coworkers have all been affected in one way or another. Our hearts and prayers are with you.

Our family, friends, and coworkers have been a great encouragement to us as we continue to work for His kingdom. Thank you all for your prayers and financial support.



Each and everyone of you is so special to us. If you would like prayer in any situation, please let us know.

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