



Phil Fischer as the Lion in the Christmas Animals musical.

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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE | AN INTERVIEW WITH THE CAST OF
CHRISTMAS ANIMALS

by Jocelyn Anderson

Jesus loves you in spite of who you are, what you've done... or how you smell! That was the message of the 50 minute, witty and entertaining musical, *Christmas Animals*, that was performed at the Christmas Eve service at New Hope. The musical, written by Troy and Genie Nilsson and directed by JJ Chaise, was enjoyed by members and visitors alike. Beautiful singing and wonderfully choreographed dancing captivated the audience-- including even the youngest of children and those left standing in the back of the sanctuary; the house of God was packed!

Crosswords (CW) interviewed some of the cast to find out more about them and their thoughts about performing in a musical.

CW: *How many hours of practice does it take to put on a production like this?*

Joy (Lamb): At first we started with

practice once a week for about 3 hours then increased to 2-3 times a week anywhere from 3-4 hours per practice.

Nina (Camel Myrr): JJ, our director, really kept us on our toes. Every time we horsed around, he would have us do the whole play all over again from the top. His strictness helped us to be excellent. We love him.

CW: *What was your favorite song in the musical?*

Phil (Lion), Joy (Lamb) and Samantha (Camel Franky): "The Pig Song" sung by Vivian Wu.

Kevin (Owl): King of the Jungle. It was so much fun to dance to.

Nina (Camel Myrr): My favorite song was the Camels' song of course!

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Happy New Year 2011! We believe that God will do wondrous works of His hands in the lives of His people in our churches and His Name will be exalted and glorified amongst us all.

Reflecting on year 2010, we are so thankful and grateful to all the blessings and provision that God has bestowed not only to us, but He also has touched many lives. Many families have been restored, many sick were healed and many members got jobs and were refreshed, many churches were planted, not only in the US, but also overseas.

God has graciously granted us many blessings in our family. Brendan and Tanida, our oldest daughter and son-in-law welcomed their lovely twins, Nora and Josiah, now 8 months old. They are the joy of our family. Our eyes were filled with tears when we think of how much the Lord loves us and is gracious to us.

Our daughter, Joy, is now in her third year at the University of Washington. She is a hard working student. She is majoring in Business. She enjoys studying, seeing friends, serving the Lord in the worship team and the care group, and working part-time at Bai Tong Thai restaurant. We save a lot of money because she eats lunch and dinner there. She also loves to participate in church activities.

Paul is a senior at the Interlake High School and plans on going to Bellevue College in September 2011. Paul loves his friends in the church and always hangs out with them. He also enjoys helping Tanida take care of his niece and nephew. He is a big help at home to us. He is also a substitute in the nursery at church.

The Lord gives us a great privilege to take the Fire of the Holy Spirit to Thailand and allows us to be a part in planting about twenty churches so far. We travel to visit churches in order to strengthen them.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our church family for your love, prayer, and your support. We believe we have a wonderful church, full of godly people who want to serve the Lord and seek Him with all their heart. May the Lord God fill your life with every blessing from on high. May He touch you in all aspects of your lives. May He heal, deliver, restore, refresh, provide, and anoint you more in 2011. Have a supernatural year!

Love in Christ,

Pastors Da and Lao

The Fire of God in Thailand

A letter from Ps. Kim of Takaset Assembly of God Church, Thailand.

My family, church members and I would like to thank God for your life. We are so grateful and thank the Lord that we are able to become one of your Fellowship churches. It is my honor to come in contact with you. May the Lord bless you and give you strength. You are such a blessing to Thailand.

I would like to share my testimony; my name is Kim. I went to the revival services in Thailand on November 14, 2010. After I came back from the services, the Lord led me to meet 4 people and a mother who has a four-month-old infant at the Rama 8 bridge. All of them accepted Christ, the fire of God touched the baby and she was healed instantly from seizures! Hallelujah!

Last Monday one of my members brought an autistic child to me and his sister came too. I told them about God and they decided to accept Christ and the fire of God touched them. Evil spirits were cast out. Her autistic son was not able to talk but

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New Churches in Los Angeles & San Diego



Revival Service in California

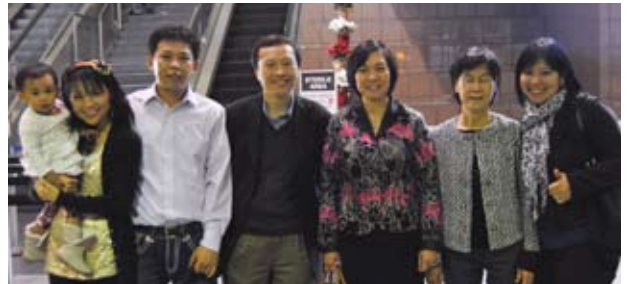
PHOTOS BY PS. LAO

by **Ps. Tyson Supasatit**

In the past several months, groups of Thai Christians in Los Angeles and San Diego agreed to start new churches in those cities, relying on assistance from New Hope International Church to establish themselves. One group in San Diego, after having listened to Ps. Lao's Thai sermon CDs and attending a revival meeting in Los Angeles, visited New Hope for a few days. Their names are Prasert and Pla, a husband and wife that own many Thai restaurants, and Jiew, Pla's brother. In December, Ps. Lao, Ps. Sam and Ps. Carlin, Pat and Na, Jaa, Nina, and Toy visited San Diego and Los Angeles to conduct revival meetings and encourage the brothers and sisters.

Through March, New Hope will send church leaders down to San Diego every weekend to train and impart a spirit of servanthood, evangelism, and excellence in service. In addition, the more mature believers in Los Angeles have already started meeting together. They are led by Ps. Sam (a different Ps. Sam from ours) and his wife, Sung, and they also send regular assistance to the church in San Diego. New Hope members who are interested in traveling to San Diego with leaders can contact Jane Plant for details, including a list of who from Seattle will be going, cost, and accommodation.

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San Diego Mission Team Update (email dated 1-09-11)

Everyone here in San Diego is really excited to meet the teams coming to teach and train. Phirat and I are enjoying to teach them; mostly Phirat, because of the language, but his Thai is returning to him and he is teaching them the Bible and practical points in serving God constantly.

Today he taught them regarding evangelism. I encouraged them with the following: have a BIG vision for the church in San Diego, walk in love, humility, forgive easily, have servant hearts and DON'T give up. Most of the people understand and speak English, but a few don't, so Pla did some private translation. We layed hands and prayed for the seven people in attendance: Prasert, Pla, Jew, Da (their nanny), Phirat and his wife, Gan, and Daeng (sent from the church in LA to help this whole month); and one other man joined later.

We missed our flight out tonight so we returned to stay the night and now Phirat is teaching more; one more woman, a restaurant owner and her daughter stopped by.

Khun Daeng from LA is sending to Seattle 3 Thai language newspapers from LA with big advertisements of the LA and San Diego church services. I believe God has big plans for these two churches to be a part of big harvests in this area. Not for any man or church's reputation, let us pray for the great harvest of souls! Love to all, Phirat and Brenda Supasatit

From page 2: Letter from Pastor Kim

now her child has been improving with his responding; he listens to praise and worship songs. He was unable to stay still but now he is able to calm down. Hallelujah, praise the Lord! Later in the afternoon on the same day a new believer's daughter brought two kids from the school; they also accepted Christ. The fire of God touched their lives and they started to speak in tongues. Their lives have been changed. One of them had been holding a grudge against her friend for almost a year; they were not talking or even looking at each other. Now they are smiling and are totally reconciled.

Your teaching CDs have been a big blessing. May the Lord bless you and your members at New Hope International Church. I have more testimonies: two of the members in the church got healed in the revival services. One of them got healed from knee pain and another got healed from back pain, praise the Lord. They had suffered from these pains for a long time. The Fire of God is so good. My member said I'm more anointed when I start to preach and teach. God has been cleansing the church and a lot of people started to repent in the church. I just want to thank God and give praise and honor to Him. May the Lord bless you and I love you and your family. Thank you for everything you have done. I will not forget to pray for you, asking the Lord to put more anointing in your life and grant you good health, being fruitful in everything you put your hands to it. Love and Respect, Kim

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November Mission Trip Update

by **Ps. Tyson Supasatit**

In November, Ps. Lao travelled to Indonesia and Thailand to hold revival meetings. The Hope of God Church in Solo, Indonesia, invited Ps. Lao to minister there to church leaders and the student group. Afterwards, Ps. Lao flew to Thailand where he met with church leaders who gathered from the north, east, south, and central parts of the country. Even with severe floods threatening many areas in Thailand, about 50 people made it to the leadership training meeting on Friday evening. Because leaders of several new churches attended, Ps. Lao shared about six basic components of church growth, including worship, preaching, fellowship, and follow-up of new believers. He also emphasized the need for Christian leaders to listen to God and follow Him in their ministry.

At the revival meetings on Friday morning, Friday evening, and Saturday morning, roughly 700 registrants came from about 20 churches. One woman who is a DJ at a Bangkok radio station shared about her listeners' enthusiastic response to Ps. Lao's teaching when she broadcast his messages. Another woman testified that God miraculously healed her from partial paralysis. A church leader from Song Kla, where the missions team had previously visited, shared about the radical change in her church as a result of people being touched by the fire of God. During the last several months, several new churches have started in Bangkok and in Thai eastern provinces. Typically, new churches will start when a group of believers, many times new ones, experience the fire of God and gather together. The missions team based in Bangkok coordinates with local leaders to support the new church with teaching materials and visits from pastors.

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Top right: Ps. Lao teaching at a leader's meeting on Friday night. Above: Ps. Lao, Ps. Tyson and some of the leaders of Glory of God Church and House of Glory Church in Thailand. Photos by Ps. Tyson Supasatit.

December Outreach

by Jocelyn Anderson

Nearly 40 New Hope members and youth assembled at the park near the King County Courthouse in Seattle on December 4, 2010, ready to serve a hot Thanksgiving meal to the homeless. The menu included traditional Thanksgiving dishes such as mash potato, stuffing, ham, turkey, salad, rolls and pumpkin pie—all prepared or purchased by church members. It is estimated that close to 200 people were fed that day.

The afternoon started with Phirat Supasatit sharing the Gospel and then blessing the food. Next, people were fed and given care packages of socks made by the Ladies Care Group. Christmas caroling and fellowship concluded the event.



Above: photo by Ps. Lao. Below: photos of the hot food line by Candace Rich.



Chinese Revival Service

story by Ps. Tyson Supasatit, photo by Cholathit Khueankaew

New Hope International Church held the third Chinese revival service on Saturday, January 8. The first service was held in July and the second in September. Ps. Lao continued teaching a series on the need for the manifest presence of God in the church, and Ps. Peishih translated the messages into Mandarin Chinese. The church provided Chinese-language sermon CDs from the first service in July to attendees for free. Once the sermon series is finished, the media team will package the entire message with the hope that it will help spread spiritual

revival among the Chinese community in Seattle and around the world.

About 40 people attended the most recent service, not including students from Seattle University and the University of Washington who helped lead worship, operating the sound system and PowerPoint, administer the sign-up table, seat guests, prepare food, and watch children. Many Chinese-speaking members from New Hope attended, but other people visited from other Chinese churches in the area as well. Elaine testified about how her children were



changed by revival, and her husband Joshua shared about how the fire of God gave him more desire to read the Bible and gave him greater patience. Everyone stayed to enjoy God's presence during the ministering time. Special thanks to Ps. Jonathon and Joanne Shea for organizing the events!

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INTERVIEW WITH THE CAST

CW: Other than yourself, who was your favorite character in the play?

Phil (Lion): The pig.

Kevin (Owl): The camels!

Joy (Lamb): My favorite character was for sure Justin Supasatit (the dog).

Nina (Camel Myrr): I loved the dog because of his playfulness and humor in situations. The lion was pretty great too.

CW: What did you learn from this experience?

Samantha (Camel Franky): I learned how true the statement “Work as though everything depends on you, pray as though it all depends on God” really is... We really worked hard, but in the end, the only reason it went off so well was because of God.

Phil (Lion): Never to volunteer again.

Kevin (Owl): “Jesus doesn’t care about how I smell.”

Justin (Dog): God can you use you for many things, even though you don’t see

yourself doing so. For myself I was fine acting, but when I got to the first practice at the Mercer Island community center, I saw that we were practicing for dancing too, I was shocked. I wasn’t too excited for it but I knew God was going to use me to reach out to people at the Christmas service.

CW: What do you want the audience to remember the most?

Phil (Lion): the love of Jesus

Nina (Camel Myrr): Christmas Day is a joyful day! Every day should be a joyful day in remembering and giving thanks to what Christ has done for us!

Samantha (Camel Myrr): Jesus is for everyone.

CW: What challenges did you face while rehearsing?

Phil (Lion): Giving up time with my family.

Kevin (Owl): Endurance and energy were always an issue. The final practices were difficult because the costumes were

THE CAST

Camel Franky	Samantha Stotesbery
Camel Goldy	Kyla Hoggard
Camel Myrr	Nina Kenner
Dog	Justin Supasatit
Donkey	Ti Nhung
Dove	Sandy Wu
Joseph	A
Lamb	Joy Laohaprasit
Mary	Da
Lion	Phil Fischer
Owl	Kevin Hsu
Pig	Vivian Wu

really, really hot!

Joy (Lamb): The hardest challenge was memorizing the song and feeling comfortable enough to sing it in front of the whole church!

Samantha (Camel Franky): I had no idea how to stutter! No one could understand me during rehearsals! I was really scared I wasn’t going to be able to do it!

CW: Can you identify with the character that you played? Are there any similarities or differences?

Phil (Lion): Yes, I could identify with the LION. It was an easy character to play.



The cast of Christmas Animals

PHOTOS BY: CHOLATHIT KHUEANKAEW



Samantha (Camel Franky): You know who I can really identify with is King David. I REALLY didn't want to put that camel suit on, I thought it was embarrassing. But then I came across 2 Samuel 6... and I realized that I wasn't doing this for the people in the audience, but for God.

CW: *Would you do it again?*

Phil (Lion): Yes!

Kevin (Owl): Maybe in 3 or 4 years.

Samantha (Camel Franky): Maybe

CW: *I believe that many people enjoyed the production, what would you say was a key factor in making it so successful?*

Phil (Lion): The time spent rehearsing and getting it right for God.

Kevin (Owl): Practice makes perfect.

Joy (Lamb): The key factor that made it successful was the decision to commit to going to the practices and memorizing the songs.

Nina (Camel Myrr): Good leadership and the hard work and dedication of a strong team. Everyone worked so hard to put together a great show and we're so glad that the audience enjoyed watching the play.

Justin (Dog): The director, JJ. JJ put a lot of work on organizing the play, recruiting the actors, asking people to help with the play. As well as, he had a vision of how he wanted the play which helped out a lot.

CW: *Did you have prior acting, singing or dancing abilities or experiences?*

Phil (Lion): YES, I have won three platinum awards for record sales for both Phil Fischer & The Xbox boys.

Kevin (Owl): Me? Dance? Bahahahah! I had some music experience.

Justin (Dog): I have been acting in church plays probably since I was 12 yrs old, but in my opinion, this play was the

most time spent and most fun.

Samantha (Camel Franky): I was in our Christmas Eve play about 16 years ago... does that count? When I agreed to do this, I didn't know it was going to be as big as it was... I thought I'd have a one-liner or something. I didn't know I'd have to sing and dance and act!

CW: *Other comments?*

Samantha (Camel Franky): I would like to say thank you to JJ for being such a wonderful and patient director, and to my mom, Tari, for making the costumes. She did such an amazing job!

Justin (Dog): I want to encourage everyone to volunteer with the church. Find what gift God has given you and use it to help build your church stronger.

Thank You from Ps. Lao and Da

We are so thankful and grateful to all of you who whole-heartedly made the Christmas Eve service a great success. We really appreciate all of you for giving your time, talents, abilities, finances and energy to our Lord on His birthday. Your dedication is much appreciated. We believe everyone who came to the service enjoyed themselves and were touched by God's love and power through your service. God was praised and glorified through your dedication and performances. May His name be glorified in all the earth, as you truly did your best for Him. May the Lord increase your abilities, talents, anointing, resources and bless you and your family in this coming year. We love and appreciate you very much. We are glad to have such a wonderful team. Thank you for serving the Lord together with us. Love you all!



The Little Angels were played by Koya Chan, Rina Chan, Cora Supasatit, Jasmine Anderson, Isaiah Prelow, Tiana Tran and Carissa Chaiseeha. Dance instructor and coordinator is Na Chaiseeha.



Dylan baking cookies for the bake sale.

PHOTOS BY: KEOMANY RILEY

Anyone Can Make a Difference

A story about an 11-year-old boy with a heart to help African children

by Jocelyn Anderson

It was just a typical day in autumn when the weather was getting colder and the kids were watching TV, when Dylan Riley saw a commercial that touched something inside of him. The infomercial was the familiar one you'd see about sponsoring a starving African child for so-and-so dollar amount and making a difference in that child's life. Dylan decided that he wanted to do something to help those children.

At first, he approached his mother, Keomany Riley, about sponsoring an African child. He wanted to do something nice for them especially for Christmas. Coincidentally, Keomany's sister, Ps. Naly Prelow, phoned Keomany to invite her to attend a Pilgrim Benefit Dinner. Pilgrim is a Christian not-for-profit organization, founded in 2001, by Calvin Echodu, also a member of New Hope International Church, which goals are to restore hope, dignity and love to the needy—primarily to those in his home country of Uganda.

When Dylan heard about the benefit dinner, he wanted to go too. At first, his mother objected because formal dinners usually were not for children; but her husband, Paul, suggested that she call them to obtain permission since Dylan had an interest in helping African

children. She made a call, secured three seats at the dinner table and Paul, Keomany and Dylan were on their way.

At the banquet, Dylan watched a slideshow about Ugandan children suffering and dying from malaria. It was at this moment that Dylan decided that he wanted to specifically raise money to fight malaria and support the children in Uganda. What followed next were weeks of fund-raising. Dylan sold baked goods, Starbucks cups and Christmas ornaments to his neighbors, classmates,

family, community businesses and church members.

"Dylan was the main planner. I helped bake. Jamael Fischer helped him sell at the tables. But Dylan planned and did it all," said his mother Keomany.

Dylan raised \$2000 in under a month. When Helen Hofman, Pilgrim's Director of Communications and Grants received the check she wrote a letter to Dylan thanking him for his efforts and sharing how she was so blessed to see a young boy help African children; it read "When I opened the envelope, you almost made me cry." Dylan would like to thank everyone who helped make this possible.

Malaria Facts

Malaria is a mosquito-borne disease caused by a parasite and is transmitted through mosquito bites. It causes fever, chills and flu-like symptoms and if left untreated, death. In 2008, an estimated 190 - 311 million cases of malaria occurred worldwide and 708,000 - 1,003,000 people died, most of them young children in sub-Saharan Africa¹. Uganda has the third highest deaths from malaria in Africa and some of the highest recorded transmission rates in the continent².

(Information obtained through the ¹Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and ²Malaria Consortium websites.)

What does Pilgrim do?

Pilgrim helps the Ugandan people in four main areas:

1. RELIEF – administering food and medical aid to those in emergency situations in Uganda and other sub-saharan countries
2. AGRICULTURE – helping displaced Ugandans resettle and become self-supporting farmers within 4 years
3. PUBLIC HEALTH – offering medical treatment and counseling; eradicating malaria
4. EDUCATION – providing a Christian college / boarding school to over 500 former refugees and child soldiers

For more on Pilgrim, visit www.pilgrimafrika.org.



The Christmas Eve Service collected \$1445.35 which was donated to Pilgrim as well.

One Submissive Phone Call

by Elaine Lin

My relationship with my mother-in-law was not right from the start and it got worse after I had my twins. We had a lot of disagreements and conflicts on how to take care of the babies. A lot of it was because we lived together in a small two bedroom apartment and we could see each other's action and reaction in such fine detail—one frown, one subtle body gesture, one impatient look. To make things worse, my husband, Joshua worked very long hours—17 hours everyday including the weekends. Because Joshua is her only son and Derek is her only grandson, she really wanted things to be done her way.

How bad was our relationship? She would be so mad at me that she would yell at me at 2 a.m. in the morning, and I would get up and confront her. Finally, it got so bad that she moved back to Taiwan and stopped visiting us for many years. So I had some peaceful years but little did I know that it had been some difficult years for Joshua because he missed her, pressured like a sandwich between two women he loved the most.

In early 2009, I was at church and the pastor was teaching about forgiveness. He asked the congregation to spend a few quiet moments and pray to forgive the people whom we held grudges against. At that time, I said to the Lord that I don't have any resentment against anyone and so there is no one to forgive; but the Lord showed me that I needed to forgive my mother-in-law. I said I am not holding anything against her but God knew me better than I knew myself. He knew that deep inside there were some bad roots that need to be pulled out.

A couple of months later, she came to stay with us for 3 months, and I began to understand why God told me to repent for my wrong attitudes and to forgive her, because those uncomfortable feelings from the past started to creep back.

When she left, God started putting the burden in my heart to love her and to care for her. I would ask Joshua to call

her, but Joshua kept on forgetting to call her. It went on for a few weeks.

Then one day when I was trying to read the Bible and do my BSF homework, the Holy Spirit spoke to me, "Call her." I said, "Lord, I don't know what to say. It would be awkward for me to call her, and I don't want to do it."

So I returned to reading the notes and doing my homework but I couldn't continue. I wanted to seek God but at the same time I didn't want to listen to Him. I was rebellious and He was not happy with me. So finally I gave in and said, "Fine, I will call her." I dialed the number and it went straight to the voice mail. I was so happy and said, "Ha, great, no one is home, I obeyed, it is not my issue any more."

But that night after dinner, I heard the voice again, "Call her." Here I saw how faithful and patient God was with me. He doesn't give up even when I was very rebellious. Finally, I called and we had a great conversation and I didn't even need to worry about what to say. God prepared the words for me. I told her

that it is my job to love her, to care for her and I will call her every Tuesday.

Today, we are not limited to Tuesdays; we sometimes talk several times a week. My love and care for her has grown to the point where I love her as much as my mother. This love is from God because I don't have that kind of love.

In return, I see the work that God has done in her; He has softened her heart and drawn her to Him. She was recently baptized on December 5, 2010, and was drunk in the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongue at the same time. Thanks to Pastor Lao for praying for her, for laying hands on her, for baptizing her in his busy schedule, for imparting the fire into her life.

So how good is the relationship today? She told me that I am closer to her than her own daughters. I never dreamt those words would come out of her mouth. All I did was submit to God and make that phone call and He did the rest of the work. His love, His words of wisdom, and His blessing just kept pouring out onto my mother-in-law. Praise God!



A photo of Elaine, who is standing third from the right and her mother-in-law, sitting in the center, taken after her mother's water baptism ceremony.



Kirkland Place Care Group

PHOTOS BY: TANIDA AYE

by Mary Kay Smith

As Tanida Aye and Jamael Fischer prepared for marriage, they realized their need for a family oriented Bible study group. Together with their spouses, Brendan and Phil, the couples separated from Pat Macaluso's group and formed Kirkland Place care group, emphasizing building solid marriage and family relationships and supporting one another in fellowship.

The group meets weekly. Jamael and Phil hosted the fellowship for two years and Tanida and Brendan for the past year and a half. Six to eight and sometimes ten adults attend. All the members have small children. Tanida describes the group as "very kid friendly." Bible lessons often include discussions about marriage and family. Their focus now is deepening their faith through revisiting the 18 Lessons, basic principles of the Christian life.

Tanida observes that disagreements



during Bible study can be very challenging. However, she values friendships that she has made in the group and thrives on serving others. Melissa Holtzclaw says that the care group feels like a family. "We hold one another accountable." Sarah Davis says that she becomes engaged in the lessons and that she is reminded of other spiritual disciplines, such as prayer, that she needs to practice on a daily basis.

Brendan Aye likes the "laid back" people in his group. They have all become good friends and have learned to be more patient in dealing with their children. Rosmic Calvo values the close relationships within the group and encouragement that she receives from other members. Jim Hyde enjoys the "fun and energy."

Jamael Fischer feels more focused after each mid-week meeting. It keeps her "on track." People in the group trust one another and have supported one another through difficult situations such as unemployment and legal problems. As busy parents of small children, members respect one another's time.

The group sponsors social activities from time to time. The group used to hold cooking contests until the contests became too competitive. A "White Elephant" gift exchange was held just before

Christmas, a yearly tradition. Some of the gifts have become perennial favorites and have survived several years of exchanges.

Kirkland Place care group meets on Wednesday evening at 6 pm and the group is open to welcoming new member families.



CHURCH CALENDAR

JANUARY 2011

SUNDAY, JAN 23
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)

FRIDAY, JAN 28
7:30 PM Revival Service (MI)

FEBRUARY 2011

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, FEB 4-6
Mission AZ

SUNDAY, FEB 6
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)
Evangelism Outreach - Feed the Poor

FRIDAY, FEB 11
7:00 PM Operation Hope Uganda (MI)

MONDAY, FEB 14
Valentine Day

MONDAY-MONDAY, FEB 14-21
Mission Asia

SUNDAY, FEB 20
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)
2:00 PM Evangelism Outreach

MONDAY, FEB 21
Presidents Day - Office closed

FRIDAY, FEB 25
7:30 pm Revival Service (MI)

MARCH 2011

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MAR 4-6
Mission LA (TBD)

SUNDAY, MAR 6
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)
2:00 PM Evangelism Outreach

SUNDAY, MAR 13
Daylight Saving Time Begins

THURSDAY, MAR 17
St. Patrick's Day

FRIDAY, MAR 18
7:30 PM Revival Service (MI)

SUNDAY, MAR 20
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)
2:00 PM Evangelism Outreach

APRIL 2011

SUNDAY, APR 3
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)
2:00 PM Evangelism Outreach

SUNDAY, APR 17
10:00 AM Lunch & Fellowship (MI)
2:00 PM Evangelism Outreach

FRIDAY, APR 22
7:30 PM Revival Service (MI)

SUNDAY, APR 24
Easter Sunday



BABY ANNOUNCEMENT

Baby's name
Angel Sornswun Chan

Parents' name
Wai and On Chan

Birthday
Sept. 11, 2010 at 4:38 am

Weight / length
7 lbs 1oz, 20.5 in

GOODBYE ANNOUNCEMENT - **Sopon Supamangmee**

I came to New Hope on December 24, 2005. It was a life changing experience. I met so many people who later became great friends who sincerely love and care about me. Being there was the best thing that has ever happened to me and I could not thank God enough for leading me to know Him thru our church.

I have seen our senior pastors and elders working tirelessly to manage the church and to take care of everybody who is in need. Their love is more than I could have asked for, and they are sincere, loving, faithful, unselfish, caring, and godly.

I am here in Thailand, thirsty and hungry for God. I am hungry for the fire & the Holy Spirit, but I can't get them except thru our CDs & MP3s.

I miss going to the caregroup where I can sing praise and worship songs, share testimonies, pray for our problems and future, and fellowship with good friends in China town afterward. I miss being laid hand on and being prayed for on every Sunday and at Revival services.

Ps. Lao only comes to Thailand about 3 - 4 times a year. It takes about half a day for me to travel down to Bangkok for a Revival service.

God has a plan for everyone, and for me

He led me back to Thailand. I don't know what He has in store for me next, but all I know is I have to keep walking in His way and listen very carefully for what He wants me to do.

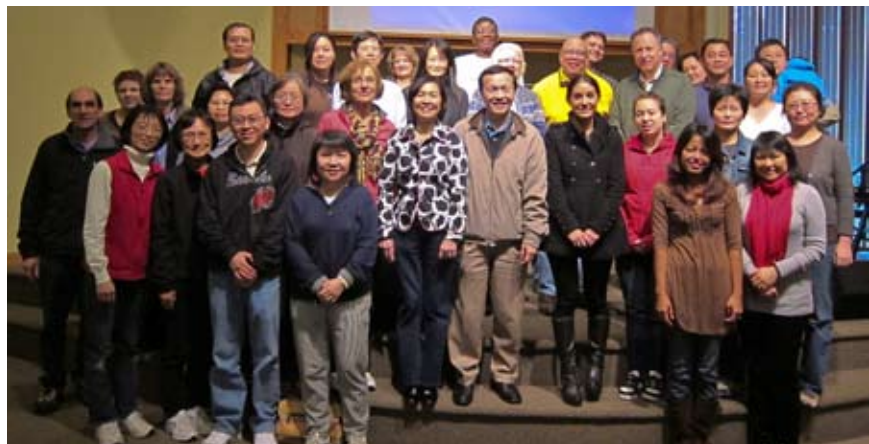
We are starting the church here in Chiang Mai, and I am helping them as much as I can, and if you ever come to Chiang Mai, please don't hesitate to contact me. My email is sopons@gmail.com. I will make sure to guide you around town. I will keep you all in my prayers.



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

San and Aei met at the Thai Caregroup at Ps. Sam's apartment in Greenwood about 8 years ago. They were married on the 16th of October 2010. Their vision is to serve God together. Right now they are serving God together in both the worship and CD ministries.

WELCOME NEW HOPE MEMBERS! NOV 2010



Yupei Wang (Yvonne), Melissa Holtzclaw, Tim Ritter, Oudone Sounthone, Yaling Kuo, Jason & Josie Chen, Li-Hui Chu, Elaine Lin & Joshua Tseng, Truman & Kay Ellis, Ivan & Connie Rigor, Gary Zhou & Laura Wang, Kenneth Yen & Mee Ling, Ernest & Valley Edwards, Cindy Matthews, Monique Edwards, Dawn Roman, Umaphon Kupkrida-tikarn (Joy), Kurt Flesch, Vicky Hsu

Youth 4 the Nations
OPERATION:
HOPE
2/11/2011
UGANDA
Eat Spaghetti & Give to OTHERS
7:00 p.m. @ New Hope International Church
 9170 SE 64th St
 Mercer Island, WA 98040

*Please join us at the next
 Evangelistic Outreach*

Feed the Poor
March 6, 2011 at 2 PM

We will be distributing sandwiches to the homeless in downtown Seattle.

All are welcome.
 Contact Phirat Supasatit for more information.

Save the Date!

*New Hope International Church
 Annual Church Camp 2011*

Saturday to Wednesday
 August 13-17, 2011
 Warm Beach Camp, Stanwood, WA

Visit our website for more information at
www.newhic.org

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