

Thai Tidbits

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KKBI Extension School

Four of our Bible School graduates in Chaiyaphum Province asked to become one of our extension schools. They will operate a Saturday school for the brethren in their vicinity. Our KKBI teachers will help in teaching.

The students will support themselves with their normal jobs, and only come to school one day a week. No outside support is needed for their school. When their students graduate, they want us to award them with our Bible school certificate.

There are probably 300 Christians in the Chaiyaphum area and the four graduates already have fifteen students enrolled in the school. This is a good development for the church in northeast Thailand.

The Khon Kaen Bible Institute will begin its 2014 session January 6. We will have three new students—two Laotians and our 18 year old daughter, MookDa.

From Bicycle to Motorbike

Brother Mana, 55, became a Christian about eight years ago. When he first came to church to worship, he traveled on his bicycle fifteen kilometers each Sunday but now he rejoices that he has an old used motorbike.



Later his wife, Bom, 50, became a Christian. They never miss the worship services unless they are sick. We

thank God that they were not hurt much when a truck ran them off the road. This couple continues to come to church faithfully always wearing a smile and thanking God for their better mode of transportation.

Family Camp

More than 300 Christians from thirty-five congregations attended the October 14-17 family camp in Khon Kaen and God blessed this camp with two baptisms. The camp topic was “Sincerity”.

There are two annual camps per year—April and October. Normally the one in April will have more brethren attending than the one in October because there are many camps in October, which offer the brethren choices. April camps started out with eighty campers and now we have between 350-450. The October camp hardly has less than 300. Our camps are drawing more and more brethren each year.

Political Situation in Thailand

The political situation in Thailand is heating up again. The educated poor want rights for the grassroots people, which the educated elite ignores. The conflict will continue for many more years to come.

Thailand is going the way of many countries where the poor and under privileged people demand their rights. The upcountry people outside of Bangkok call themselves the red shirts. We live in northeast Thailand where a huge majority of the red shirts support the Yingluck government that was elected by the majority of voters with 15 million votes.

The Bangkok-based traditional elite, who call themselves democrats, are the yellow shirts. In the last election they got 10 million votes so right now the elite are trying to get rid of elected government who came into power by the upcountry vote. Even though the elite are the minority, they have more power and want to get rid of the upcountry government.

By the time you read these Tidbits, the dust and smoke will have probably settled down some but it will flare up again in a few years.