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It's hard to believe 2005 is coming to a close. By the time everyone is reading this, it will be but a memory. I look back in amazement at the things God has let me see and be a part of. Only God would take this clay vessel and allow it to be used in His hand.

Move

In October we moved from our house to two apartments. This housing situation has worked much better than we had hoped. It has been helpful to be so close to the Resource Center, the people around us, vendors, and transportation.

We are still receiving some mail at our old address. There is no forwarding order here, so we can only get it if we go by the old house and check the mail. If you missed the emails about the move, please notice the address change in the lower corner of this letter. Thanks to all who have sent cards and letters of encouragement. You have no idea what a blessing it is to hear from you.

People Coming and Going

In the type of ministry we are in, there are always people coming and going. Besides company passing through, co-workers are often coming and going. In October, Andrea King came to join us. She has been a great help and encouragement. She and Sarah Wilson have worked awesomely well together on video editing. Andrea will be with us until the first of March.



In November, Bro. & Mrs. Art Davison arrived from Metropolitan Baptist Church to help. Not far behind them was Amy Green. Amy will be with us for a couple of months before going on to Australia. She has been a great help to Susie in the print shop while the rest of us have been tied up with other work.

Sarah Wilson left the 17th of December. We miss her terribly in the work and fellowship. She was a great asset to the work here and made our home nicer with her sweet spirit.

Literature & Computer Work

We have been very busy these past months with literature for the Hmong Refugees. I have typeset 3 or 4 Hmong tracts, Hmong John Romans with the first part of Genesis, and a few other bits and pieces for the village. God be thanked, we finally worked out the problems we were having with one of the languages here and finished the John Romans in it. It has been printed in small quantity in the print shop here and is due to be printed in large quantity in the States.

I haven't been able to help much in the print shop, but I did get to help with the folding, collating, and stapling for some of the literature going to the Hmong village. When we were pressed for time, everyone dropped what we were doing and worked to get it finished on time. I don't get to help much in that area, so I was thankful for those few opportunities.

Much of my time is also spent doing computer upkeep. Bro. Tom is traveling and busy so often that this has been added to my job description. At first it was a frustration to me. Just as I would get started on a project, I would have to stop to fix a problem, install new software, or show someone how something worked. I felt I wasn't getting my work done because of interruptions. It is now one of the most enjoyable parts of the job. It is very satisfying to fix a problem so someone else can keep working and accomplish the task they're doing. I am thankful God gives me the answers when I need them.

Travel

In September, we ladies got our first visit to the Hmong refugee village. After working on literature for them, seeing video and pictures, and sending out updates, we finally got to meet them. It was a thrill to see them face-to-face and let God break our hearts anew. God allowed us to be there for the first baptismal service of the new church. It was an unexpected privilege.

In December, we did a lot of traveling. In the middle of the month we went to Chiang Mai and on to Petchabun again. I sent an email update of this trip. If you didn't get it, you can email me for a copy of it, or write my church at the address above if you don't have email. When we returned, we made a one-day trip to Ayuthaya (one hour's drive from our house), a day-trip to Cambodia to renew visas, and then back to Petchabun.



This last trip was for the Christmas service with the new church. It was incredible to be there with them for that service. Several people had us in their homes for a meal. You have no idea how humbling it was to sit in their bamboo huts, visiting with them and eating the wonderful food they prepared. They have so little, yet they give so much. We also had a great time of fellowship with the other missionaries while up there. It was a very unusual, but wonderful and unforgettable Christmas.

Health

Last month Bro. Tom introduced me to a doctor he had been seeing for his back after his car wreck. I began seeing him for physical therapy for my back. It's been a bumpy road, but I'm beginning to see improvement. I have gained strength in my back as he works on getting rid of the pain. I'm not sure how long I'll continue the treatments, but I'm thankful for the improvement so far. I'm not pain-free, but the pain is less and migraines are less frequent. God is truly good to me. Less pain means I'm more effective.

Thank you for your prayers. We see God answering them on a daily basis.

Because all I am is His,

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