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# The Crabtrees Thailand Ministry

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## PRAY WITH US

- ☀️ Praise for a healthy mom and baby.
  - ☀️ Pray for Katie's transition back to teaching in March.
  - ☀️ Pray for the new believers in Na Kha village.
  - ☀️ Pray for soft hearts ready to receive the gospel.
  - ☀️ Pray for peace and health concerns.
  - ☀️ Pray for a strong, healthy marriage and family life.
- Pray for wisdom as we parent.

## Welcome, Jonah!

Jonah Isaac Crabtree was born on December 27 weighing 7 pounds and 11 ounces. Both Jonah and Katie are doing well. The transition into the family was quite smooth. Elli, Ava, and Theo were so excited for their little brother to join our family. We also made the trip to Bangkok to visit the embassy and got his passport and official paperwork. Katie will be home with Jonah until March 2. We invite you to pray for our family with the transition when Katie goes back to work.



## Holiday Ministries

Each year, the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons allow us a natural platform to share the gospel with those who have yet to hear.

Thanksgiving, being a distinctly American holiday, is intriguing and unknown to Thai people. Our church family rented out a big meeting room in a local hotel and held a big event where we invited friends to about why we are so grateful to our God. Christmas is growing in

join in a feast and shared popularity in Thailand in a secular sense. Anything Christmas-related is welcomed here and we have many opportunities to share about Jesus, Immanuel, the light of the world, God with us. Jesus-centered events at Christmastime that we were involved in this year ranged from Christmas caroling to various Christmas parties in the community to school programs and events and a candlelight service at our church.

## Thriving Ministry Work

We praise God that demand for Bryan's life group student Bible study ministry has risen, so he is now running two groups. He continues to study the Thai language and work towards his degree in Religion & Evangelism and Biblical Counseling. He is currently taking a class entitled "Evangelism and the Work of the Holy Spirit." He continues to serve on the leadership team and as a youth leader at Truth International Fellowship church. We both continue to serve regularly in the nursery and attend Bible study as well. Cell groups are forming soon, and we are training now to host and lead a group together. Katie also continues to help plan and host women's events and joins the prayer team in praying for those in our city. At the conclusion of her maternity leave, Katie will resume teaching her grade 2 class, incorporating Biblical worldview integration across subjects as well as teaching Bible and chapel.



## Na Kha Believers

Because of the ministry of the ICS school where Katie works, many missionaries have moved here over these past 5 ½ years. As a result of much fasting, prayer, and evangelism endeavors over the past several years, there has been an explosion of conversions in the past few months. In the village down the road from Katie's school, the good news of the gospel has been taking root in the lives of many. Physical and spiritual healings have been witnessed and people are reporting spiritual dreams. More and more continue to confess their faith in Jesus and get baptized. They are being discipled and are an enthusiastic group of new believers. Pray for them that their faith would grow deep roots to withstand trouble and persecution.

## Pray for Peace

Thailand and Cambodia are having border disputes, which has led to military and civilian deaths on both sides. Pray that a peaceful agreement would be made and kept, that the fighting would end and that there would be peace. Pray for the families of those who have lost loved ones in this conflict, including our school's lead custodian who recently lost her son.

## Health Concerns

Unfortunately, the ICS community has been battling some severe illness and injury this school year and we invite you to lift these individuals up in prayer. The son of our head maintenance man, a fourth grade student at our school, has recently been discovered to have brain cancer. The wife of one of our teachers is battling a long-lasting battle with stage 4 lung cancer. One of our teachers is struggling to recover from a neck injury she sustained in November. Another teacher has been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes and is struggling to

manage it. Please pray for miraculous health that would bring glory to God.

### You!

We invite YOU to be a part of what God is doing in Thailand! Your giving, prayers, encouragement, and love go a long way to making an eternal impact in the lives of the least reached in the Isaan region of Thailand! THANK YOU for all of your love and support!

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