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Dear Friend,

Alan Morrison, age 19 from Geelong (Australia) had never heard of Eaglesrest. However, early in June he found himself arriving as a volunteer with no idea what he would be doing exactly, but a definite call from God to come to us. What a blessing he has proved to be!



Rommel, John and Alan at the work site the day before the accident.

Two days later our expected volunteer, John Hartwick, moved in to share Tinno House with Alan. John had come specifically to work alongside Rommel in replacing the rotted roof beams in the guest house as well as install a ceiling in the back section. They worked for a few days together with assistance from Pastor Prakop and his son, Goy, stopping only during light showers. Once the house was opened up it became an adventure keeping the rain out of the main building. A few days into the project John was standing on a wooden roof beam that was soon to be replaced. The beam gave way and he fell to the concrete floor below. Rommel rushed him to the local hospital where they took a brain scan and stitched his head. The scan revealed a skull fracture and other minor injuries. He was transferred by ambulance to Phuket where he spent the night in ICU and the following six days recovering in a private room. Although he will take a while to heal we praise God for the fact that he did not sustain a more serious or long term injury. Eventually we were able to bring him back to our house where he rested before being given travel clearance by the doctors and able to return to Australia.

We are so grateful for all the work John was able to do and his heart of service. Even more so to an amazing God who preserved his life and limbs from what could have been a far worse outcome.

Two days after the accident we received a Thai pastor (Wat) and his wife (Dow) and young daughter (Praise). They also stayed in the guest house while having all their meals with us and Alan (and John when he was back from hospital). It was a joy to be able to get to know them and hear a little of their story. It was unfortunate that we had so little time with them due to the accident and daily trips to Phuket, but God was still at work in bringing them here and we believe that they benefited greatly from their time at Eaglesrest.

Next month we are expecting our very first couple from the Philippines (Ps. Ronnie and his wife, Chris). They are currently expecting their fourth child and have never been able to leave their country before. They pastor a Baptist church in a small



Thai guests - Wat, Dow and Praise enjoy time of fellowship at our home.

"...those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."
Isaiah 40:28-31

fishing community; more about their story next month. Pray that their time will be refreshing and encouraging.

Please consider sponsoring more such Asian families to come and rest. The current sponsorship fund is depleted and needs to be blessed again.

ASIAN NETWORK

Eaglesrest is not well known as we have no large network or organization operating on our behalf; however, opening emails often reveals that the word about Eaglesrest is moving slowly into the Asian Christian awareness. (With limited resources we are thankful that word of mouth is a slow process or we would be overwhelmed with the needs).



Meal times are often crowded.

Two recent emails reveal just a few drops on the tip of the iceberg of need among our Asian brethren. Pastor Samuel (age 25, married and with a two year old daughter of his own) lives in Myanmar, he writes:

...I wonder if there are any part we can work together with you as we have a heart to help more children and preachers...Is there any training we can attend to learn more how we can help pastors in poverty?... We are caring for 47 children, poor and abandoned sent to us by pastors and evangelists. We are also caring for and helping children of some pastors who are wrestling in poverty...

Then Pastor Samuel told me how he began to care for these children:

...In March 2004... I happened to stay (after church) and talk with the elder family of the church and he mentioned about two of their grandchildren who were to be sent to the Buddhist temple to educate them by the monks as they could not care for these two boys. The mother died and the father was a drunkard. They lived with their old grandparents who were hardly surviving, struggling to get their daily food in the remote village. The drunkard father decided to send the children to the temple. The old grandmother...requested, with tearful eyes, for me to find a Christian orphanage as they did not want the children to live with the monks and become one of the monks. In the night service, eleven year old Micah played guitar and lead the songs at the service as there were just a few people in the village. I realized who these children were to be sent to the monks. My heart was pricked to help this boy and I decided to bring the two boys to my father's house as I lived with my parents. ..

And another from Pastor Mohana in India....

... I visited your website and learned about you and your ministry. You are doing a great work for the Lord. All the members of my family and church pray for you and your family and the wonderful ministry you are doing...

I pastor a small church here. When I started God's service here there was no single Christian in this area. But now some people got saved and gave their hearts to the Lord. We strive our every nerve to reach out to fellow people with the gospel and win them for His glorious kingdom...

...there are millions of false gods and goddesses here in India...please visit India once to minister...I am ready to work together with you...mine is a small church which is absolutely based on faith. We look unto God for our every need. If not, there is no other way...

...God will bring me there (Eaglesrest) someday if it is His will...

With very little space, resources and finance to cater to these and other similar requests we are limited in what we can offer. Please continue to pray for discernment as we consider each and every need and how best to proceed.

Janene, Rommel, Colleen, Stephanie, Jefferson and Nicole Ala