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Dear Friend



This is a picture of myself with Jamie at the PITH conference. Jamie is a Malaysian friend we have known for a few years. The PITH conference gave us a wonderful chance to catch up.

### **PITH (Partners in the Harvest) MISSION CONFERENCE**

Janene attended this intensive three and half day conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia at the beginning of May. It was fourteen hour days packed with mission reports/networking/keynote speakers and workshops. Over 370 delegates from 20 different nations enjoyed wonderful teaching, encouragement and fellowship. A special youth program saw almost 500 young people challenged to step out in faith and consider short term mission experience.

Janene was able to share the vision of Eaglesrest in a short presentation which resulted in many new prayer partners and others interested in becoming involved. Thank you to the Brethren Assemblies in Malaysia for their invitation to attend. It was a wonderful example of the spirit of unity and prayer. The result was much glory to the work of God in countries as widespread as Papua New Guinea and Kazakhstan.

### **GOD'S PROVISION**

During the time Janene was in Malaysia she was handed an envelope anonymously. The only instruction was that the contents were to be used for the children's needs. The money was exchanged on return to Thailand and two days later we had to have three of the children seen by doctors for various medical conditions. As usual our funds were tight and yet the gift given in Malaysia a few days before was EXACTLY the right amount to cover all the expenses incurred that day. Thank you goes to God for those who were used by Him to make this all possible.

One of the medical procedures was Stephanie needing a growth cut out of her tongue. As her (first) mother died of oral cancer, this was understandably a great concern. However, after a week of waiting for pathology results we can happily tell you that the growth was benign. She does have a virus which will continue to cause similar growths unless we can build up her immunity. Thanks to all those who pray for the children regularly.

### **OMF VOLUNTEER FROM GERMANY**

WE are very happy to have Gordon Koenig with us for a few months through OMF's 'Serve Asia' program. Gordon has also recently served with OM on the Doulos ship stationed in The Philippines and plans to rejoin the ship in Bangkok for a year after his time at Eaglesrest. Gordon will be of great assistance with the many day to day maintenance projects that need to be completed around the church and Eaglesrest site.



Gordon Koenig (Germany) came to us through partnership with OMF's serve Asia program.

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*"...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

## VISA AND FOUNDATION SITUATION

The foundation papers are still in process. Once they leave the local government office they have to journey through two more levels of government and finally to the desk of the Governor of the Province. He will give the final stamp. Officially we are told this will all take another month. From experience we say, "Don't hold your breath!" Please keep praying that God will move things supernaturally and we will finally be through this drawn out stage.

As our visas expire June 7th we will have flown out to KL Malaysia by the time this letter reaches you. It is a requirement that we all leave the country and reapply for a visa to return to the work here. As Rommel has completed three years with ACF (Asia Center Foundation) as a volunteer, another foundation has taken us on in a temporary measure to enable us to gain suitable visas. This will allow us the necessary time to see Eaglesrest fully registered. When that happens we will apply for work permits (and thus one year visas) through our own foundation. This has been a busy time but God is ultimately in control and He will be glorified as all these things come to pass.

## LANGUAGE STUDY

Mid June Rommel is hoping to travel by motor bike to Lopburi, just north of Bangkok, to attend one week of preliminary lessons in learning to read and write the Thai script. The venue is the OMF (Overseas Missionary Fellowship) language centre which has a wonderful reputation as one of the best language centres in Thailand. Next month we will let you know how it all went.

## NEEDED...

Volunteers needed for short term visits for help with small projects as well as large. If you have experience and training or not, there is something for you to do here at Eaglesrest. Contact for more details.

## BOOKS

Copies of 'My Healing Road to Thailand' are still available- now at \$25 each. Forward copies of Book two, 'The Desires of My Heart: Eaglesrest is born', may be ordered at \$20 each until release. Contact Janene for details. Email: [alafam\\_eaglesrest@fastmail.com.au](mailto:alafam_eaglesrest@fastmail.com.au)

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



**Sui (Thai friend from Bangkok) and Apple (Chinese) with Colleen, Stephanie, Jefferson and Nicole.**

**The two young women supervised the children's home school while Janene attended the mission conference in Malaysia.**