

The Mission in Southeast Asia - Roscoe Snell

As we enter this new year, I would like to review the various focuses of the mission in Southeast Asia. The Lord continues to bless and give favor. I find myself amazed at the doors that He opens. It is all God. My desire is to be faithful and to serve wherever He leads. I am both humbled and encouraged by partnership of my PCF family. .

Here is a brief description of current activities:

- **Pastoral Training:** Many young pastors, especially those in China, have not had the opportunity to attend a Bible school or seminary. I continue to provide both in-person and online Bible classes, as well as assistance with church issues, to young pastors in China, Thailand, Myanmar, Laos, and Bangladesh. Many know stories from the Bible, but lack the life application aspects from Scripture. Education, especially among the Chinese, is very rote. Working with these young pastors and missionaries is a true joy.
- **Discipleship:** Helping Christians to grow in their faith is both a long term and relational building experience. Again, Bible life application is a large part of this process. Online discipleship is offered in China, Thailand, Myanmar, Laos, Bangladesh, and most recently Pakistan.
- **Thai Church:** I have been blessed to partner with a local Chiang Mai church, where I teach a Tuesday morning Bible study, occasionally teach Sunday school, and am on the Sunday morning speaking rotation. Also, the Chiang Mai Thai church and Bible studies are streamed to a Bangkok church plant. Earlier this year, I had the privilege to baptize six people from the Bangkok church, at a beach on the Indian Ocean. It was one of those “mountaintop” experiences. How awesome to witness what God is doing in Thailand, where only 1.1% of the population are Christians.
- **Language Training and Guitar Classes:** The Lord has used these classes as a way to build relationships and to share Jesus with both young Christians and those not yet saved. Pairing English lessons with the Bible and by using Christian music opens the door to many good conversations. Usually, I connect with about 15 - 20 students on a weekly basis.
- **In the Planning Stage:** I was asked to develop a class on sharing about Jesus. This will be for high school and college age young adults. Also, I was invited to speak at a Family Camp, this Spring. I’m still waiting for the details on the Family Camp.

Seeing the Holy Spirit draw people to Him is truly wonderful. My prayer is that I be faithful, improve my language skills, and continue to have favor with the local people. I am so thankful that the Lord is not limited by my basic language skills. As someone once said, “If God can speak through a donkey, He can also speak through me.” Visiting China three times per year and invitations to Myanmar and Pakistan are other prayer concerns. The Lord can do beyond what we could ever ask, think, or imagine... I am so thankful for this fact.