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PRAYER FOCUS

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US IN PRAYING FOR THE NATIONS!

The Korat people of Thailand don't consider converting to Christianity lightly. Buddhism is so woven into their culture that switching religions is seen as akin to changing one's nationality or family ties.

In many ways, for the Korat, religion is about relationships. And that's why Mek, a Thai pastor, is ready to try a new kind of outreach. Next year, his church is partnering with TEAM missionaries Amy and Ryan Green to start a community center.

"Our plan is to ... serve the community, build relationships and look for opportunities to share the Gospel and train disciples to ... make disciples," Ryan explains.

Ryan and Amy will manage the center, offer various classes and eventually point people to Mek's church. But amid discussions of the opportunities, Ryan and Amy are already facing challenges.

The center's launch was originally planned for summer 2021. However, an intense wave of COVID-19 cases, followed by a previously scheduled home assignment, has pushed the opening date to mid-2022.

STARTING A NEW MINISTRY CAN BE STRESSFUL AND FULL OF UNKNOWN. EVERY MINISTRY YOU KNOW WAS STARTED BY THOSE BRAVE ENOUGH TO PRESS FORWARD ANYWAY. WILL YOU PRAY WITH US FOR RYAN, AMY AND ALL KINGDOM WORKERS STARTING NEW MINISTRIES?

Sun: **PRAY** for credibility and welcoming attitudes in the community.

Mon: **PRAY** for wisdom to shape ministries to local needs.

Tue: **PRAY** for strong partnerships with local believers, who each bring unique giftings, knowledge and networks to the table.

Wed: **PRAY** for resources to not only start ministries but also to keep them going!

Thu: **PRAY** that missionaries will still find time to rest as they take on new, challenging endeavors.

TURN OVER FOR MORE REQUESTS!



Fri: **PRAY** for opportunities to deepen relationships and point people to Christ.

Sat: **PRAISE GOD** for His creativity and compassion in drawing all nations to Himself.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

- 1. NORTH AMERICA** | A Muslim outreach in Oregon has committed to helping 21 Afghan refugees resettle. A TEAM worker writes, “I have offered to help with translation and am willing to help any way that is needed. Pray that these families would find good housing and settle well and would see Christ in those of us with whom they interact.”
- 2. SOUTHEAST ASIA** | Travel continues to challenge missionaries during this pandemic. One family has waited 18 months to get into a high-security nation. Two other women are waiting to get into Thailand. Please ask God to open doors so workers can obtain visas and get to their ministry areas soon.

PRAISE REPORTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

- 1. NORTH AFRICA** | This fall, an international church restarted its children’s program for the first time since the pandemic began. The church also began a weekly prayer gathering and small groups. Praise God that COVID cases have gone down enough to make this possible!
- 2. FRANCE** | TEAM missionary Jenn H. recently served at a camp for French teens. During the week, she got to talk one-on-one with “Beth.” Beth shared that she had been to church a few times with a neighbor, and that neighbor invited her to camp. Before camp, she’d had doubts about faith, but those doubts are gone now. She told Jenn she wanted to pray and ask Jesus to be her Lord and Savior forever. Praise God bringing a new sister into His glorious family!

**The names of the people you’ve helped may be changed to protect their privacy.*