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SOUTHEAST ASIA MISSION

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By the time you receive this newsletter I will be in Southeast Asia in the heart of the 10/40 window with my friends Phil Kurpe and missionary Jim Randall. While there, we plan on visiting and ministering in Cambodia, Thailand, Laos and Myanmar. All of these countries are desperate for the message of Jesus Christ and the hope that only our God can give. They are full of people in need of help - both spiritual and practical.

These four countries have a combined population of approximately 142 million people. Almost 85% of these precious people are Buddhists. In Cambodia only 1.6% of the population are followers of Jesus Christ. In Laos 2.6%. Myanmar 5% and Thailand a mere .5%. Many of these people are hopeless and are seeking for real answers, which we know are only found in Jesus Christ!

As followers of Jesus Christ we know that there is no hope without Jesus Christ and our Heavenly Father - the God of all hope. These precious people are seeking for the same answer that many of us sought before the Lord of Glory stepped into our lives and gave us His hope and salvation. **Our Lord Jesus Christ wants them to hear His message. That is why we are going to spread the Good News of Jesus. Would you pray for Phil, Jim and I as we travel through these needy lands seeking to bring the love, hope and gospel of Jesus to those we encounter?**

While in Southeast Asia:

- **We plan on visiting James Sann and the people living in the Steung Meanchey garbage dump in Cambodia.** We also plan on visiting a place where the government has begun to relocate some of these people. James said it is like a refugee camp there.
- **We plan on meeting up with some of the indigenous ministries that we support in Laos and Myanmar,** including the children's home that we support in Laos.
- **We plan on spending time with David S., our Burmese missionary friend** who has started seven children's homes and trains indigenous pastors and missionaries to reach into the unreached areas of SE Asia and China.
- **We plan on meeting up with Scott F. who does a lot of ministry in Vietnam.** He is our contact with church leaders who have requested that we help organize and put on youth camps in Vietnam. They have also requested that we help train their youth leaders.
- **We plan on visiting and meeting other ministry leaders as we continue to expand the ministry in Southeast Asia.**

Thank you for your prayers and your support. We will encounter many needs and opportunities while we are there. If you would like to help us meet some of those needs we welcome your financial gifts as well.

