

Our Hope is Alive Updates October 2011

As we are ending the 1st term of School Year 2011-2012, we thank the Lord for His grace and love to all of us. In Hope House, the six new students (of the nineteen children) adjusted well and are happy. Noot and Boon left in July but was replaced by Jean and Suchart. The Hope Alive Youth Hostel during this term is housing five young ladies who are doing great in their schooling.



Hope House children in the youth hostel.



Jean every Saturday special class



Suchart and Jean



Jeph in one of our youth meetings



Apple meeting the students' parents



HH family gathering last May

End of July, Hope Alive Foundation was approved by the Thai government to operate. That it was approved just one-and-a-half month in processing, is a special confirmation that God is in control PTL! When God is in control, we trust God for everything. We will not compromise for we aim that this Foundation is only to give glory to our Lord. The Youth Hostel and the Foundation is in the same compound; Thip is our staff who serve with us there.

We thank God for His faithfulness to every one of us here. In August, only four out of 19 children were never sick of flu, and two of them had Dengue. Jean had miscarriage too during that time. In the youth hostel, Thip and Ann caught the virus too. During those times of 'physical battle' in both homes, Jabez, Joy and Jeph had been sick, too. We thank the Lord for Jane, a Filipina missionary-trainee who helped us cope in both homes. We also thank our friends and partners who prayed for us and encouraged us during that time.

Early September, Jeph and Apple went to attend a Discipleship Conference in Singapore. That time had been a chance to be refreshed and be ministered by friends in Singapore. We thank the Lord for friends who blessed Jeph and Apple during their stay in Singapore.



Jeph & Apple in Singapore



The Ping River in ChiangMai



Welcome to Hope Alive Foundation

ChiangMai experienced flooding this year. The Youth Hostel had been flooded on September 28, but settled immediately. Praise the Lord, the water never rose and we were spared. At the back of the house where we lived, the water was from the released water reservoir. Praise God it never rained and the water never reached us. Thank you for praying for us. Some areas are still flooding, please pray for the Thai people especially those very much affected by the flood. May we be an instrument of God's blessing to them in this crisis.

On October 3-7, all our staffs attended a seminar about caring for the children. This helped them to be aware of the children's characteristics and attitude, as well as basic administration procedure. This training is very useful for their personal development, too.

Most of the children will be going home for two weeks this month to spend time with their families. Those who have no parents are staying with us. Thip, Suchart and Jean are not leaving their posts. While most of the children are away, Jean and Suchart and some Hope House children will be staying in ChiangMai, from time to time. By this time too, we are processing our yearly visa. Please pray for God's provision for this special needs of our family.

For all these, we want to honor our Lord in our midst. May God continue to lead and give us wisdom in everything we do. Thank you for your partnership and being a part of God's work here in ChiangMai. God bless you and your family.

In His service,

Jeph & Apple for Hope Family

**For You are my hope , O Lord God;
You are my trust from my youth. Psalms 71:5**