

# OWEN OUTLOOK



ABOVE: TLC DEDICATION SERVICE (DETAILS ON PAGE 2)

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## A New City and a Renewed Calling

It's been ten years since we said goodbye to our family and supporters and came to Thailand with only seven month old Connor and our bags in tow. God has done more than we could have asked or imagined in bringing us this far, working with Team 2000 to

plant churches and see lives transformed. God has called us to Chiang Mai to fill a new role supporting our initial calling to plant churches in Thailand. Now with several small churches establishing their identity as a conference in Thailand, we get to help

these churches and leaders reach their full potential. We break it down into three categories - encouraging leaders, resourcing churches, and bringing people to Jesus. Find more about what that means in the pages that follow, and thanks again for partnering with us!



ENCOURAGING LEADERS



RESOURCING CHURCHES



BRINGING PEOPLE TO JESUS

## On the Move

We said goodbye to our friends in Chonburi and moved to Chiang Mai the first part of October. We are connecting with our new teammates Rob & Judy Griffioen from BC, who have been in Chiang Mai for around a year. We are pursuing exciting ministry opportunities together with them - they are a wonderful couple! More on the team in future newsletters...

### KIDS!

It has been an eventful couple of months for our kids. Connor and Isaac have adjusted to their new school and made lots of new friends. It is a Christian international school, and we are very thankful for it! Eleanna's adoption paperwork was completed and we were able to finalize it in Chonburi on November 22nd; **now she is officially ours!** Now we continue through the process of changing her name and working towards US citizenship.

### THE LIFE CENTER

One of our primary tasks in resourcing continues to be building up leaders and helping TLC move towards church health and continued growth. We celebrated with TLC as they dedicated their new facility on November 21st (shining below, group pic on page 1). Andy will be going back for regular resourcing visits to continue to help the church through its transition towards self-sufficiency.



## ENCOURAGING LEADERS

ANDY IS WORKING IN HIS STRENGTHS OF STRATEGIC PLANNING TO HELP CHURCH TEAMS AND THE NEWLY FORMED THAILAND LEADERSHIP TEAM. CARMEN IS USING HER GIFTS TO PROVIDE COUNSELING AND SUPPORT FOR YOUNG LEADERS.



## RESOURCING CHURCHES

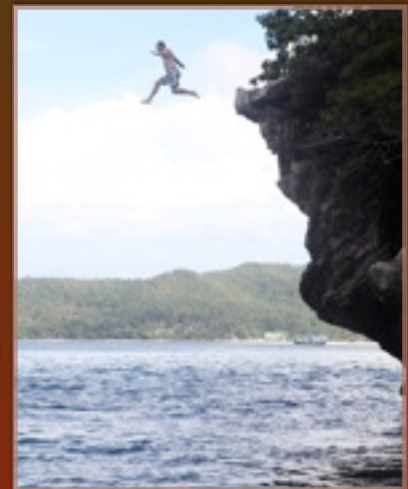
WE ARE DEVELOPING CURRICULUM AND DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES FOR CHURCHES TO USE IN DISCIPLESHIP, EVANGELISM, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER. ONE OF OUR FIRST BIG PROJECTS INVOLVES TRANSLATING THE MB CONFESSION OF FAITH AND ACCOMPANYING STUDY GUIDE.



## BRINGING PEOPLE TO JESUS

WE LOVE LEADING GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP, AND HAVE HAD SEVERAL OPPORTUNITIES TO DO SO IN BOTH LARGE AND SMALL VENUES. WE ALSO ARE PRAYING AND BEFRIENDING NEIGHBORS IN THE HOPE THAT THEY WILL KNOW AND RECEIVE GOD'S LOVE FOR THEM.

# OCT-NOV HIGHLIGHTS



## PLEASE PRAY

1. FOR THE CHRISTMAS OUTREACHES IN THAILAND MB CHURCHES THIS MONTH.
2. FOR OUR KIDS AS THEY ADJUST AND MAKE FRIENDS IN THEIR NEW SCHOOL.
3. FOR OUR CHIANG MAI TEAM (ROB & JUDY) - FOR UNITY AND WISDOM AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH LOCAL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES.
4. FOR THE LIFE CENTER CHURCH THROUGH LEADERSHIP TRANSITIONS.

Clockwise from top: At a local flower garden; Eleanna's 2nd birthday; Andy cliff diving in Phuket; Asia workers retreat in Phuket; Andy & Carmen with Rob & Judy

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The Life Center (Church Planting Project) C0342

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