



The Randy Ashcraft Family

Missionaries in Southeast Asia

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Dear Friends,

Over the last week or so, we have had a “cold snap” here in Bangkok and the temperatures have dropped into the high 60’s at night. Not exactly a winter wonderland, but it’s close enough!

I’d like to begin this letter by thanking all of you who have helped with our financial needs. Last month, I shared two financial needs with you - our Christmas project and the need we have for a vehicle. **Praise the Lord both needs have been met!!!** All of the Christmas money came in and later this week, we are going shopping for a vehicle. I can’t thank all of you enough for your faithfulness and generosity. It’s truly an honor to partner with you to reach the lost here in Thailand and in Pakistan. Another blessing from this week is that we received a 90-day extension on our current visas which will get us through until April 4, 2023. I was a little concerned about this one because it was set to expire on January 4th, and around the New Year, the government offices are closed and when they re-open, there is often a backlog. Fortunately, we were able to apply for our extension three weeks ahead of time, and getting it before the New Year rush was a blessing.

This year for Christmas, we are partnering with six different churches - one in Thailand and five in Pakistan. Most of the programs will happen between now and New Year. Our largest program has already happened. **Over 600 people participated in a Christmas celebration** near Lahore, Pakistan, last Saturday. There was preaching and singing, skits, and special music. Everyone received a gift and everyone was fed a hot meal. This meeting was held outside under a tent, and many non-Christians attended. There was also a special outreach for widow ladies in the community. They received a bag of groceries and a gift of cash to spend. I was able to join online and see for myself

the excitement this event generated in the community. Planning something like this and funding it are not easy, but there is no doubt that it was worth it. We will be uploading pictures to our website over the next few weeks and I encourage you to go there and see for yourself. www.peaceworkersjourney.org Only in eternity will we know the impact of this outreach.

Please keep our older three kids in prayer - Lee, Cynthia, and Andrew. Lee and Andrew both just finished their first semester, and Cynthia will be graduating in May - all at Crown College of the Bible in Knoxville, TN. I can’t tell you how proud we are of them and how excited we are to see how God will use them in the future. My children were not raised in America and leaving us and adjusting to a new culture at the same time has been challenging for them. Please keep them in your prayers as they are traveling and plan to be back at school around the second week of January.

If you are interested in keeping up with our ministry, I invite you to sign up for our weekly update video. Every week, we make a short video saying what we did the last week, what our plans are for the upcoming week, and what we would like you to pray about. You can sign up for this from our website.

Keep us with us. Support us. And pray for us! Once again, thank you, Merry Christmas, and God bless you!

PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Remaining Christmas programs
2. Our three kids in college
3. Discipleship programs
4. Our partner churches in Pakistan

In His Service,
Bro. Randy Ashcraft & Family

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“... Brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you ... ”
(Thessalonians 3:1)

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