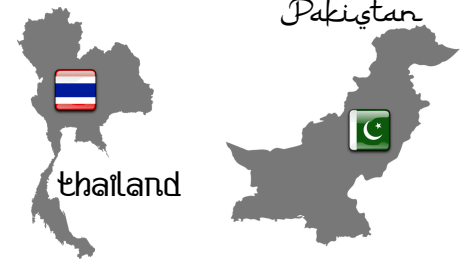




The Randy Ashcraft Family

Missionaries in Southeast Asia March 2022



Dear Friends,

Praise the Lord!!! We arrived safely to Texas on February 16th. Right away, we set about trying to find a vehicle that we could use for our short furlough. Renting a car is too expensive and there was no vehicle available for us to borrow. I'm not sure what it's like in your part of the country, but we had a difficult time finding a used car at a decent price. Finally, after several days of shopping, we found the perfect vehicle for us. A 2013 GMC Yukon. Praise the Lord! I put a set of tires on it and we hit the road. In the last 30 days, we left Texas and travelled into Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois, and Virginia. We have visited several churches and given updates and tried to be an encouragement to them. We are always aware that we are taking the good news to far away lands. But sometimes it's good for our supporters to hear some good news from the foreign fields. "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." Proverbs 25:25 To be clear, this furlough is not a vacation. We are staying as busy as we can and taking advantage of every opportunity presented to us. If you would like for us to come by and give your church an update, please let me know. We are almost completely booked up now, but we have a few dates still open.

My pastor once said, "Facebook is for people without friends." I share his view. Haha! Covid has, however, taught me a very valuable lesson. Social media and technology can and should be used at every opportunity to further the kingdom of God. Since arriving in Thailand last May, we have been using Zoom to hold church services, Bible studies, discipleship classes, youth meetings, and more. Remember, many of the Pakistanis that we are reaching in Thailand and in Pakistan are being persecuted and are unable to travel freely, much less congregate in a church service regularly. The attendance in our Zoom meetings has steadily grown to over 200 on Sundays. The men's Bible study has almost 20 per

week and the ladies Bible study has more than 20. Through this technology, we are aggressively preaching the Gospel and spreading the Good News in Thailand, Pakistan, Canada, America, and Hungary. Our schedule here in the United States has been a little crazy. For example, my wife taught the ladies Bible Study on Monday night from 11 PM to 1 AM on Tuesday morning. In Thailand, it was 10 AM to noon. When I preach on Sunday nights in Thailand, it's 5 or 6 AM here in the United States. The sacrifice has been well worth it as we have seen continued growth in the believers. It is exhausting sometimes between giving our updates in churches in the US and preaching on Zoom. I usually preach an average of 7 or 8 times a week. Please pray that my voice can hold out as sometimes by Sunday night, there's not much left!

I can't express how grateful I am to all of you for your prayers and support. At no time in the past has our ministry been as fruitful nor have we seen greater opportunities. Thank you for partnering with us!

NEEDS:

1. Funds for vehicle - **\$2,000** WAS \$10,000
(Thank you Peoples Baptist Church - \$2,000
& Bro. Jon S. - \$6,000)
2. A few more appointments

PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Volunteer Visa for returning to Thailand
2. Continued ministry growth
3. Safety while traveling
4. Future visit to Pakistan

As always, thank you all for your faithful prayers and support. It is an honor to partner with you in reaching the lost for Christ in Southeast Asia.

In His Service,
Bro. Randy Ashcraft & Family

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(Thessalonians 3:1)

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