

Adam, Cindy, Sean, and Prang in Thailand

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With 2 families and 7 kids, life has always been interesting. When Pan, Alaypa, and Lutiya came to live with us, they were on their summer break, and so our homeschooling slowed down a little as we learned how to be a bicultural family of 8. Then the mission team came from Coast, starting our summer break.

With the Thai kids in school, Adam and Cindy didn't get to hang out with the team as much as they would have liked, but they were very grateful for the time they got. Sean and Prang got to take part of the team to Prang's village to help build a bathroom, work in the rice fields, and pray for the villagers.



Matt is going into 10th grade at Grace International School nearby. We're excited for him, and glad for the lighter load during the days, though we worry some since this will be his first time in a classroom setting for a couple of years.

Pan has shown herself to be wonderfully trustworthy, hard-working, and an excellent big sister. She is truly a blessing to us, and we try to bless her by teaching her English when we can.

Sandra went back to the US to visit her adopted mom for a month. She had fun, but missed us a lot. It's good to know she thinks of this as home too. This month she starts homeschooling again at the 6th/7th grade level.



Alaypa loves to play and laugh and especially likes to pick on his new big sister, Pan. Thai is not his first language, so he is a little behind in his reading even though he excels at math and other subjects. We have been working with him everyday, and he's been practicing on his own as well, and we have already seen tremendous improvement.

Lutiya comes from a troubled past, and despite everything she misses her mom, but she knows she is loved here and her smile brightens up the room. She comes from the same village as Alaypa, so they frequently revert to Lisu (their first language) when talking with each other and act very much like siblings.



Isaac has become a little explorer. He can crawl fast, and he can climb up and grab things on couches and the coffee table. It has made the house a suddenly

interesting and dangerous place for him (and us).



Cindy got a much needed break over the summer when she got a chance to go back to the US for a couple of weeks. She was able to rest and enjoy the company of family and friends while showing off Isaac as well.

With Cindy, Isaac, and Sandra in the States, Adam was left to hold down the fort with the remaining 4 kids. During the days he had a nice vacation (usually),

and the rest of the time he spent learning first-hand just how much Cindy does around the house. He's quite glad to have her back.

Abigail is healthy and growing fast at four months old. She loves to eat her feet and bananas.

Sean has started a small landscaping business with his brother-in-law, Goy, to help Goy through school. He's still working at Im Jai House and has finished a new drip watering system for them.



Most of Prang's time is spent with Abigail, but she finds

time to watch children for her friends while they study Thai. She tries to ride her bike everyday for exercise.



At the end of this month, Sean and Prang will be moving out of their current house and in with some friends near our new land. This will save some rent

money and allow Sean to keep a close eye on the construction. We have finished our designs for our new houses and sent them to Cindy's cousin who is an architect. At this time we are waiting to hear back from him regarding official plans and quotes for building.

Here's how you can be praying for us:

- Pray for Cindy and Adam to have patience with the kids and to be able to show them God's love.
- Pray for God to heal Cindy's wrist. It has been hurting her ever since she left for the States.
- Pray for wisdom and focus for Matt as he starts the school year.
- Pray for Sandra to be able to choose to love and be loved wholly, especially as school begins.
- Pray for wisdom for Alaypa and Lutiya as they struggle to catch up and keep up with their Thai.
- Praise God! Adam and Cindy's condo is sold, with the money going towards the new houses.

Don't forget to check our websites (below) for more information and many, many more pictures!

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