



the VRUGGINKS

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Moving Date Set!



God has provided in amazing ways this month and we are officially 99% funded with just \$125 left needed in monthly financial support! We also know some gifts have been given and just need to be officially processed by the ABWE office staff. We are confident our faithful God will bring that support in this month. We have purchased our one-way plane tickets, and Lord willing we'll be boarding a plane on August 8! We are so thankful for God's incredible provision for our family!

We are now in the final stages of sorting, packing, selling, and tossing items to prepare for our move overseas in about 5 weeks. Greg will be making a trip to Chicago to get our visas soon, and we're working on figuring out housing in Chiang Mai which is very challenging for a family our size looking from 8,000 miles away. Please pray that all the details of transitioning to Thailand will go smoothly, and God will give us His perfect peace as we work on these many details.

In addition, there are several things we need to purchase in order for us to move to Thailand ranging from convertible car seats, security items, and more - some items are less than \$7. These personal items are not covered by our Outfit & Passage. If you are interested in purchasing an item we need to bring with us to Chiang Mai, please check out our [Amazon wishlist](#).

PA & NY Trip



Later this month we have our final, stateside road trip! July 17-20 our entire family will be in Lancaster, Pennsylvania for a Missionary Enrichment Conference. We are excited to connect with other missionaries and grow as a family. July 21-23 we will be in Long Island, New York saying, "Goodbye!" to Long Island Abundant Life Church and the many friends supporting us on the east coast. If you live out east and would like to connect with us one more time before we move to Thailand please [send us an email](#).

Please pray for us to have safety as we travel and no vehicle issues. Our minivan broke down and had a costly repair this month, so we're praying for no problems in the next five weeks.

Isaac – Ready for Thailand!

Thank you all so much for asking about our sweet, 4-year-old superhero! In summary – Isaac is doing AWESOME! He's been cleared by the urologist, nephrologist, and ABWE doctor to leave for Thailand. Isaac basically has 75% of normal, overall kidney function, and to stay away from needing dialysis or a kidney transplant you need to be functioning at a minimum of 25% so he's not in a danger zone at all right now.



We have to monitor him by getting annual kidney ultrasounds to make sure he's not digressing and be sure to avoid any medications that are hard on the kidneys, but other than that life is normal for him. Thankfully he has not digressed at all this year, so he appears to be completely stable. The doctors think he was probably just born with an underdeveloped kidney. There's a pediatric urologist in Bangkok, so we're hopeful we'll be able to see him annually to monitor Isaac and our doctors in America will follow Isaac too when we come home every 2 years.

So in short – he's stable and doing great which is the reason we haven't shared much about him the past few months. We're thankful God has kept Isaac healthy and provided great medical care for our precious son!

Commissioning and Send-off Service for the Vruginks



July 30 at 6 pm
Grace Community Church
3500 New Holland St.
Hudsonville, MI 49426



You are invited to join our family on Sunday, July 30 from 6-7pm for our family's Commissioning & Send-off Service. We will miss our Grace Community Church family more than words can express when we move to Chiang Mai, but feel so blessed to have such a supportive and encouraging church family sending us to Thailand. We will be flying to Thailand just nine days later. Please join us for this very special evening!

Praises and Prayer Requests

Thank you so much for praising God with us and praying for our needs. Please email us with any prayer requests you have so that we can be praying for you as well!

- 1) Praise God we have 100% of our O&P raised and have 99% of our monthly funds officially committed! Please pray that this month God will call individuals to partner with us for the remaining \$125 needed in committed monthly support, so we can move to Thailand in August fully funded.
- 2) Please pray that all the details of transitioning to Thailand will go smoothly, including acquiring visas, packing, and finding a home to rent in Chiang Mai. Pray that our hearts will be peaceful and not overcome with anxiety.
- 3) Please pray for us to have safety as we travel and no vehicle issues as we take our trip to Pennsylvania and New York.
- 4) Praise God Isaac is doing well and has received medical clearance to move to Thailand!

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