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Hard Questions and Answers

"In 2 Chronicles 18, why does the prophet Micaiah lie at first?"

"How can I figure out what this word in Psalm 95 is in Hebrew and where it is used in the rest of the Old Testament?"

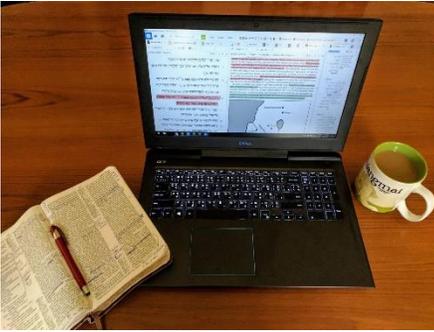
"How does the Son of Man passage in Daniel 7 relate to the promise theme in the rest of the Old Testament?"



The above are all real questions Greg was asked just this month! It's such a blessing to live in such a technologically advance world, where Greg is just a Skype phone call away from his students. It's a privilege to be here to provide theological training to students not only in Thailand but also in the Philippines, India, Myanmar, Singapore, and more!

We're also thrilled that we are opening up a new teaching site in Cambodia in July, which will mean ABTS will then have 11 teaching sites in 6 different countries! Thank you for your prayers and financial giving that make our ministry with Asia Biblical Theological Seminary (ABTS) possible!

Preaching Preparations



The month of May Greg has a lot of preaching preparations to undertake! Greg will be preaching at our international church on May 12, 19, and 26. He will also be teaching the teens on May 1, 5, 8, 15, and 29, and we have a special "Senior Honor Sunday" planned for the graduating high school seniors. Please pray for Greg to have wisdom as he prepares for these ministry opportunities and for hearts to be changed through the teaching of God's Word.

Youth Leadership Team Formation

This month we had a great time with a bunch of our youth group teens chowing down on 3 humongous pizzas! We are in the process of forming a Youth Leadership Team consisting of some of the 10th-12th grade students in our international youth group. This will give us the opportunity to have more times of training and one-on-one mentoring. Please pray for God to use this opportunity to train the next generation of leaders in Chiang Mai and around the world!



Youth Leadership Team Formation



Over the next 5 weeks Rachel will be finishing up the home-schooling year with our four kids. Christian is completing 6th grade, Abbie 4th grade, Isaac Kindergarten, and Hannah Pre-K3. Please pray for them to have endurance, patience, and joyful spirits as they plow through this final stretch.

This month we will also be spending a lot of time and energy preparing our TCKs (Third Culture Kids) for the huge transition of being in America for 11 weeks this summer. For almost two years now Chiang Mai has been their home, so leaving

friends and their house for the summer will be hard. They are looking forward to being in America, but we've heard from many veteran missionaries that this first furlough can be extremely challenging on kids as they face reverse culture shock and deal with silly questions (ranging from "Which country do you like better?" to "Say ___ in Thai.") which make them feel frustrated and confused. They are foreigners in Thailand, but they will also likely feel a little foreign in America too. Please pray for us to have wisdom as we seek to answer their hard questions about these upcoming challenges and prepare them for the huge transition they will face next month!

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 for our new site in Cambodia! Please pray for this new site as well as other sites that may be opening soon!
- 2) Praise God for giving Greg many opportunities to preach during the month of May! Pray for Greg as he prepares for these teaching times and for lives to be changed through the preaching of God's Word!
- 3) Praise God that the youth ministry at our intentional church is going well! Please pray for the formation of the Youth Leadership Team to go smoothly and for God to use this opportunity to train the next generation of leaders in Chiang Mai and around the world!
- 4) Praise God our kids have done well in school this year! Please pray for them to finish strong and that God will prepare their hearts/minds as we transition to spending the summer in America.

Thank you so much for all of your love and support!

Greg + Rachel

