

Dear Brothers of the Mississippi Valley Presbytery,

First of all, I want to thank you all for your continued prayer and financial support of our ministry in Thailand, especially as we begin our new work in the northern city of Chiang Mai. This has been a year full of changes for us, and we're thankful for God's provision and mercy as we have walked through this time of transition.

As our first term of missionary service in Bangkok, Thailand with MTW came to a close at the end of 2014, we began to prepare to move a new church-planting team to Chiang Mai, which is Thailand's second largest city. After recruiting new teammates (MTW missionaries Ben and Becca Johnson and their family), we arrived in Chiang Mai in August of 2015. Our initial focus in our new city was to network with local Thai Christians and churches in order to prayerfully consider how we might partner with like-minded believers to plant a reformed and Presbyterian church in Chiang Mai. As a team, we began to pray that God would provide a reformed Thai pastor with whom we could partner for the next 5-10 years (or longer). Knowing the history of the Thai Church and the relative scarceness of reformed theology in Thailand, we expected that this would be a process lasting 3-4 years, and possibly involving us training such a pastor. However, in God's providence through mutual friends, we were introduced to a Thai pastor who is reformed in his theology, passionate about evangelism and discipleship, and committed to a long-term interdependence (rather than dependence) between the Thai Church and western missionaries.

In addition to this great provision of a like-minded Thai pastor, God has also provided land for a church through a Thai Christian brother in Bangkok. Now and in the coming months, we are gathering a core group to lead our new church plant, and we are prayerfully making plans to raise the capital needed to build our worship space. We are hoping to build a pre-school/kindergarten with a small park and food court in order to engage our Thai Buddhist neighbors. After the initial construction, this will also provide income to support the church as we grow.

Praise God with us for the truly amazing provision that He has given so far, and please pray with and for us as we begin small group bible studies, build our core team, and as we raise funds for the construction of our community center. Thank you and God bless!

Rev. Trey Adams