

The Randy Ashcraft Family

Missionaries in Southeast Asia January 2021



Dear Friends,

I pray that you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We certainly did! We were blessed to have all of our children together with us on Christmas Day as we celebrated the birth of our Saviour in Virginia with Gwendolyn's family. We have stayed busy traveling all over the central and eastern parts of the United States. During the month of December, we were able to visit six different churches. We thoroughly enjoyed our time giving updates and answering questions about our ministry. Without our faithful supporters, we would be unable to see so much success in ministry. In addition, every time we visit a church, we encourage everyone to give faithfully to their missions program and to pray more for missionaries around the world.

On December 5th, we were on our way to a supporting church in Virginia when the transmission went out in our borrowed GMC Yukon. I am very grateful to Bethel Baptist Church and to Pastor Snoddy for picking us up on the side of the road in the church van and getting us over to the missions apartment. After the Sunday morning services, Bro. Holyfield, one of the men in the church, let us borrow his minivan and we were able to get down to our next appointment in southern Virginia for Sunday night. To make a very long story short, only a few days later, our truck was running again and the Lord provided the \$3,800 that we needed for a new transmission. It was amazing to see how God used several different people and a couple of churches to provide our need. We didn't even ask for help but within 48 hours, we had received exactly \$3,800! Praise the Lord!!!

On December 10th, we picked up Cynthia from Crown College and headed back to Texas. We are so proud of her! She finished her first semester with excellent grades and is thoroughly enjoying her time there. I want to thank all of you for praying for her and also for those of you who sent special care packages to her, we are so grateful!

Our plans for the upcoming month are to continue visiting as many churches as possible and examine every option available for getting back to Thailand. Things are still very difficult for now but we are beginning to see signs of hope and are targeting a return trip to Thailand in April. Thailand is still being very careful about allowing foreigners to enter their country due to Covid. Please be in prayer about that. Also, on January 15th, Cynthia is scheduled to be back at school in Tennessee. This, of course, with so many other things, is contingent on Covid. So, please keep Crown College and our family in your prayers.

I want to thank all of you who participated in our Pakistani Christmas Project this year. It was a smashing success! We were able to partner with churches in Pakistan who reached out and collectively were able to bless over 700 people! Our target of raising \$7,100 was exceeded by over \$1,000. Those additional funds were sent and distributed to a group of elderly widows in a suburb of Lahore, Pakistan. We are still receiving pictures and letters of gratitude. The challenges that Covid have brought to us here in the US have been suffered many times over in Pakistan. For them to be able to end 2020 on such a bright note was of great encouragement to them. We praise the Lord for allowing us to partner with you in order to help them in such a precious way. We are excited about the opportunities to continue partnering with you in reaching the lost in Thailand and Pakistan for Jesus Christ.

Please pray for these things:

- 1. Our return to Thailand
- 2. Our family to remain healthy
- **3.** That I will be able to make appointments in churches
- 4. Those we are ministering to in Southeast Asia.

In His Service, Bro. Randy Ashcraft & Family

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