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Daniel Hamm Returns From November Trip To Thailand

In Nov., 2003, Daniel Hamm traveled to Northeast Thailand to meet with the preachers that serve under the oversight of the Bybee Branch eldership.

On Nov. 18, 19 & 20, Daniel presented 3 Bible lessons daily at Udorn and met individually with each preacher who attended, becoming acquainted with them, hearing their concerns, and challenging them to continued ministry in the Lord.

At nights, the preachers transported people from the villages into Udorn where gospel sermons were being presented. On Sundays, Daniel visited and preached at congregations in the Burirum province. In March, he and Kathy had also visited in Surin and Srisaket provinces.

Let us now introduce you to those who continue to cooperate with the Bybee Branch Church of Christ in evangelism, edification, and equipping of saints among the 14,000,000 souls in Northeast Thailand.

Meet Some of Our Christian Family in Northeast Thailand



Bro. Saengpratheap Prakrai

Bro. Saengpratheap is 38 years old. He has labored under the Bybee Branch oversight since 1997. This brother shared, "I feel happy and appreciate Bybee Branch support and am happy to work under Bybee Branch." Bro. Saengpratheap is very interested in having a Bible School at Srisaket. Saengpratheap and Pensri have 3 children – Ages – 13, 12 & 5.

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Bro. Priwan Promsec

Priwan is 36 years old. He has worked with Bybee Branch for 5 years. He says, "I feel good about working under Bybee Branch." At one time, bro. Priwan was a translator in Israel. He and his wife, Supapon have purchased their own house in Amnatcharoen. She owns her own business in a market. They have 3 children – Ages – 18, 16 & 9. Priwan believes that 5 of the brethren in his province would attend a new Bible School.



Bro. Preecha Boonla

Preecha is 23 years old and graduated from the Burirum Bible School. For almost 2 years, he has worked with the school and the congregations in the Burirum province. Preecha writes, "I love my work with Bybee Branch." He and his wife, Banjob have a small daughter. Preecha is making good improvement in studying the English language. He will be very helpful to near-by provinces.



Bro. Christian Chistanon

Christian will be 50 on Feb. 10. For more than half of his life, he has faithfully preached the gospel. He started the church in Burirum in 1981. Bybee Branch began supporting this work in 1990. Christian and Rak have 3 children – Ages – 27, 25 & 18. At the preachers' seminar on Nov. 19, 2003, bro. Christian confessed before all, "Since I have heard about some Northeast preachers did send the Northeast out a letter to the elders at Bybee Branch, I am sorry if I had practiced to you or any one else in the unkind or unjust way. Please forgive me.

– Sincerely, Christian Chistanon."



Bro. Thongdee Jitsom

Thongdee is 38 years old. He has worked 12 years with Bybee Branch. He writes, "I feel good about working with Bybee Branch. I appreciate the elders taking care of us by supporting us." He and Pissamai have 3 children – Ages – 13, 9 & 4. Daniel and Kathy worked in Thailand with this good brother in 1988 and 1996. When we were together in Udorn on Nov. 18, 2003, bro. Thongdee had this statement read to the brethren, "I met with bro. Daniel Hamm at Udorn and have signed the agreement to work with the elders at Bybee Branch. Earlier, I had signed a letter at Mahasarakam. I was requested by the group in that situation but did not agree with everything in that letter. So I confess my fault and repent. Please pray for me. I intend to work as a servant of God with bro. Daniel Hamm and the elders. May God bless your family.

– Thongdee Jitsom."



Bro. Kaew Jaernjansook

Bro. Kaew (cow) is 50 years old. He has worked with Bybee Branch the entire 14 years and 10 of those years at Nakhon Phanom. He writes, "I want to serve God all of my life." He and Boonyong have 3 children – Ages – 22, 17 & 13. We will organize a campaign in 2004 for all our preachers to go and help bro. Kaew evangelize in Nakhon Phanom province.



Bro. Kai Bootwasha

Bro. Kai is 60 years old. He has worked with Bybee Branch 11 years. He writes, "I am happy to work with Bybee Branch and take the gospel to lost souls." Bro. Kai is an effective soul-winner in Thailand. He and Bang have worked with several orphan children, including Korakot, who now faithfully preaches the gospel. They are also the parents of Rapin's committed wife, Rachanee.



Bro. Somanas Christanon

"A", as most call him, is 27 years old. He graduated from a 5 year technical school in Electrical Engineering, where he mastered computers and then graduated from the 2 year Bible School at Burirum. He has worked 6 years under Bybee Branch. He writes, "I feel good about working with Bybee Branch. No problems." He and his wife, Busarin have a lovely 4 year old daughter, Mint. At Burirum, "A" is responsible for the financial reports sent from the provinces to the Bybee Branch Church. He is active in teaching in the Bible School and working with congregations in the Burirum province. "A" will be a lot of help in other provinces close by.



Bro. Rapin Charoensook

Rapin is 35 years old. He has worked 9 years under Bybee Branch. He writes, "I love Bybee Branch and I love to be a preacher and work with the team in the Northeast." Rapin and Rachanee have 2 birth children – Ages – 7 & 3. They have an 18 year old orphan who has been in their home 6 years and is now a student in Burirum Bible School. They have 4 other orphan children in their home (Ages – 14, 14, 14 & 9), who are each supported by U.S. Christians from \$7.50 to \$25 each, per month.



Bro. Korakot Sinchai

Korakot is 29 years old. He has worked 6 years with Bybee Branch. He shares, "I feel very good and appreciate support very much." Korakot and his foster-father, Kai work together in the Loei and Chaiyaphum provinces. Korakot and Pranom have 2 children – Ages – 3 & 1.



Bro. Sopon Nakornsri

Sopon is 23 years old and is single. He graduated almost 2 years ago from Burirum Bible School. He has been doing a good job working with Rapin in Udon province. Sopon will soon move to one of our other provinces to evangelize the lost, edify the saved, and equip the saints for service.

These Brethren Will Graduate From Burirum Bible School in 2004 and Begin Preaching



Sangiam Suphanam
19 years old
Graduates 2-04



Sukasem Cha-neonram
19 years old
Graduates 2-04



Meechai Sajan
19 years old
Graduates 5-04



Parinya Klinsuwan
18 years old
Graduates 8-04



Daniel and Kathy Hamm Will Return to Thailand in January 2004

Our foster parents in the Northeast have been sacrificing financially in order to take in orphan children but are doing a great job with them. Rapin is making good progress in his use of the English language. All of our preachers attended English classes for 2 weeks in Burirum in December.

The Hamms are spending most of January and February in Northeast Thailand and are visiting most of our 14 provinces. They will participate in a gospel meeting and a "Unity Day", moderated by bro. Jim Waldron, missionary to India.

At the time of this writing, only \$1,705 remains to be raised of the \$14,000 monthly budget. If you know of any congregations who would consider budgeting \$100 per month to the Northeast Thailand work, please let the Bybee Branch elders know.

Thanks to each of you for your continued support and prayers of this faithful work in Thailand – Bybee Branch Elders and Daniel Hamm, Missionary