

Hello Friends,

Several weeks ago, we wrote giving you some things to praise the Lord for and to pray about. It's time to give you a brief update and ask for more prayers.

Tomorrow after church and lunch, Cindy and I will drive 3 hours to a city to the south. The recording of the Gospel of Mark will take place, Lord willing, from Monday to Friday this week. We are thankful that some extra men have expressed willingness to give their voices. Please pray that they will indeed be willing and won't back out once they realize the content of what they are expected to read. Or that God would provide other people who are needed to accomplish this recording. Pray that the voice actors would be able to read their own language well, and be able to express proper emotion for all the stories. Pray too that even though each reader will only be exposed to snippets of what he himself reads, that still, each one could begin to grasp the bigger picture of the truth of God's Word. Pray for safety in travel and protection throughout the week.

The day after we asked you to pray about the need for more participants for a training workshop I will lead in Thailand, God was very quick to answer your prayers. We learned that those registered for my workshop had more than doubled so there is no need to cancel. Additionally, my request to be given an hour's break-out session to expose more people to this particular animated video resource for kids was approved during the main event. So now I must be well prepared both for the break-out session and for the four-day training event to follow. Pray that more participants would register and join this media conference and be equipped to produce materials that would be very useful to draw children and young people to Christ.

Thank you for your prayers.

*Joel and Cindy*

This picture is amazing since inside our yard, the grass is all completely dead from the drought, but somehow the bougainvillea outside our yard is as gorgeous as it's ever been. The roots are not receiving the blessing of water from our hoses since our hoses don't reach that far...

