

“God’s Amazing, All-powerful Gospel”

Greetings from Bangkok, Thailand, in the All-powerful Name of Jesus Christ (*King of Kings and Lord of Lords*),

I arrived here Monday, October 21st at 10:00 AM, Bangkok time. This was after an uneventful yet exhausting multi-plane flight, cramped in economy-class seats for a thirty-some hour ordeal—from boarding a commuter flight in San Diego on Friday evening, to setting down in Bangkok’s new *Suwanapume International Airport*. Needless to say, I took a very l-o-n-g nap upon arrival at my office here in Bangkok.

My Thai friend, Tirakorn, met me at the airport. Pastor of Thai Victory Church and free-lance translator, Tirakorn worked with me on finalizing the "Considering Creation" booklet. We decided to arrange it in easy-to-read and understand spoken Central Thai. Our work has really paid off, as you’ll see.

Pastor Tirakorn mentioned upon our meeting that the most-recent printing—20,000 copies of "Considering Creation" in a pocket-sized booklet—is now almost depleted due to popular demand by an increasing number of Thai Churches and Christian organizations here. Candidly speaking, it’s really catching on as it gets rave reviews from all who read through its short pages. That’s not just from Thai Christians, but also from unbelieving die-hard Thai Buddhists whom I have given it to as well.

Some Thai Buddhists actually say: *"Wow, where did you get this? It’s great! I read it all the way through and gave it to my wife/friend to read as well."* (Some even said they read it twice.) I love the sincerity in these happy but serious-faced comments. However, the comment I like the very most is when they look me square in the eye and exclaim, *"You make a valid point here... I never really 'considered' it before, but stop to think about it, there must be a creator!"*

Of course I readily agree with them, adding a neutral-sounding, *"I believe you’re right, there must be a creator!"* From there, I continue the presentation with questions, *"I wonder what He’s like? Is he Kind? Holy? Powerful? Where is He now? Can we contact Him?"* I then add that there are ancient manuscripts written about the Creator, whereupon they usually ask if they are available to see and read, and, *"Can I get a copy?"* I’ve heard these positive responses multiple times from the lips of otherwise closed-minded unbelieving Buddhists. Frankly, it’s very encouraging.

NOTE: *By ancient manuscripts I’m obviously referring to God’s Word, but I refrain from using Christian terms prematurely, lest they misunderstand and fall back into a religious mindset. It’s nearly impossible to deliver them from that pitfall once they think someone is trying to dissuade them from their beloved religion. We **do not** teach religion. What we **do** is seek the best, most effective way to present the Gospel in an accurate, clear-cut, understandable manner. The goal being to elicit an enlightened, positive decision on their part to trust Jesus Christ as their own Personal Savior—of Whom the Word of God clearly identifies Christ as being the Creator of all nature around them, which they all love and admire, but don’t know its Divine Owner.*

From that juncture, once the Thai have opened their closed minds, they are ready to consider the rest of the story, i.e., the Divine Nature and Character of God, and His amazing grace in sending His Son on their behalf. The booklet concludes with a short but necessary summary of Biblical Creation, through to Redemption. It concludes with a description of Heaven, along with an open invitation to receive the Christ they never knew.

This is the very reason I initially spent years (even decades) of prayerful research & development, including many trial and error attempts in developing this simple but effective presentation, which centers around simplified examples of intelligent design, seen throughout all nature, and ultimately the introduction of the Intelligent Designer Himself, the Lord Jesus Christ.

The primary goal was always to circumvent or penetrate the thick walls of ignorance and blindness, walls of defense in the form of Buddhist and Humanistic ideals, erected in the hearts and minds of lost Thai souls for whom Christ died and rose again... impenetrable walls put there by a clever enemy, meant to insulate and inoculate them from ever really hearing or considering the Gospel. By God’s grace we have overcome these walls through this simple but powerful little booklet, which I call "Considering Creation." (*Copies are also available in English if you would like one.*)

Thai Religious News: Recently, due to fear of losing their tight grip on Thai adherents, Buddhist leaders have created a whole new, more-pleasant face in the form of compelling TV presentations, including beautiful-sounding songs. I believe they are attempting to hold the Thai back from turning to Jesus Christ. On the other hand, I say Praise God for giving wisdom, discernment, and strength in the accomplishment of this *Creation Evangelism* presentation, since it meets the inborn love of nature in the hearts of all Thai! More printing is obviously in order, as well as seeing this presentation translated into all major Asian Buddhist languages. Contacts have been made, and translation is now underway in Japanese, Korean, Chinese, Cambodian, Lao, and soon Burmese. The newest on the list is now Indonesian. These all adore nature, i.e., Creation, but are ignorant of nature’s God!

I’m in Thailand this trip to invest time and energy, continuing the final review process of the newly-completed Isan New Testament—finished as of December, 2012. I praise the Lord for this major milestone. Can’t wait to hold an actual finished printed copy. Did I mention, a Christian-owned business on the east coast has allocated \$30,000 towards the printing of the Isan New Testament. More funding will likely be needed, but that’s a wonderful start for which we are most thankful for God’s provision through the prayers and gifts of His people, towards the furtherance of the Gospel into little-reached territory.

A recent update on Pastor Boonta’s wife Pawn’s condition, sent by missionary friend John M:

"...Pawn is up and around a little bit. She has been using a wheel chair to get around the house. We have provided her with a walker for temporary use until she gets her strength back. Both Pawn and daughter Bow have medical appointments at the local hospital this week, to examine their blood sugar levels. Pawn will soon be returning to Khon Kaen’s Univ. Hosp. for follow-up. Boonta says she is now eating regularly and her appetite is increasing. She hasn’t had any [parasite-induced] headaches since returning home,..."



I’ll be visiting Pastor Boonta and Pawn in a few days, where I’ll give them the much-needed love-gifts you have given. I’ll also share with them your love and prayers on their behalf.

I travel to Thailand’s Northeastern (or Isan) Region in a couple days. There, I’ll be working alongside Pastor Pitak (photo at left) on reviewing the completed Isan New Testament. Your prayers are appreciated for progress, enduring strength, safety, and health. Please pray especially for the healing of my sciatic hip condition, called *Piriformis Syndrome*. It makes things painfully difficult. I look forward to the time when I can rid myself of a cane and non-steroidal, anti-inflammatory, pain medications.

In closing, Cheryl and I want to extend a sincere *Thank You* to all who faithfully contribute towards our ministry needs. May God bless you double-fold for your *often-sacrificial* giving. Be assured that we always endeavor to be good stewards with every penny.

By God’s Enabling Grace and For His Eternal Glory,

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