

Introducing Ron and Cheryl Myers Missionaries to Thailand

Ron and Cheryl were married on August 26, 1969. They entered missionary training under the auspices of New Tribes Mission one week after their honeymoon. There, they received advanced training in cross-cultural missions, including linguistics, unwritten language and culture acquisition techniques, Bible translation principles, *et al.* Ron was ordained on August 14, 1972. Entering Buddhist Thailand in 1973, they initially served as church planting missionaries among the unreached village-dwelling peasant farmers in Thailand's vast Northeastern hinterlands. There, in a small village, Ron built their comfy 24' x 36' three-bedroom home out of reclaimed hardwood using only hand tools. Their two daughters, Angela and Michelle, were born in Bangkok Christian Hospital. Sons David and Danny were born in Canada and the US, respectively.

Ron and Cheryl have been offering the Gospel to the Theravada Buddhist people of Thailand for many years. Besides raising a family and ministering to the ladies, Cheryl has been involved in linguistic analysis, including helping other missionaries with language learning difficulties. Ron, having immersed himself in the various local languages and cultures, spent time befriending and evangelizing city dwellers and villagers alike. He later transitioned to church planting and Bible translation. Many leaders have been raised up under his mentorship. Five now pastor newly-established churches. He also wrote a well-regarded evangelism booklet called *Considering Creation*. Based on exploring examples of Intelligent Design, it introduces our Intelligent Designer and Redemption's story to the Thai. They all love nature, but have no concept of God or a Judeo-Christian worldview. So far, 164,000 copies have been printed, with many more needed. It's now in multiple languages, including English, Spanish, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, and Cambodian.

It was evident that the Scriptures needed to be translated into the E'san language, spoken by millions, since Thai Bibles are hard to understand. Moving from the village into Nakhon Phanom City, there, he pastored a failing C&MA church back to health while translating the E'san New Testament. The E'san now have both Genesis and the New Testament in their heart language. Finished in 2016, it's presently available in both Thai and Laotian scripts, as a professionally-narrated audio version, and Online. Due to the gross inaccuracy of Thai Bibles, Ron has begun translating, by request, an accurate Spoken Thai New Testament (2023-present). The Myers are presently headquartered in San Diego, where Ron once served as teaching pastor of the Cambodian Bible Fellowship. Cheryl taught English writing composition at San Diego Christian College and SoCal Seminary. She now teaches a well-attended Women's Precepts class at Shadow Mountain. The Myers have seen the Lord greatly bless their various ministries throughout the years, now including a new ministry as advisor to the *Chinese Churches for World Evangelism*. The Myers are looking forward to an ongoing, fruitful ministry till Jesus comes.

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Plant Churches
Evangelize
Linguistics
Translate
Teach

Ron
Rural Development
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Teach Scripture
Visit Believers
Train Pastors

"Behold, I Have Made You Fishers of Men!"