

And walk in love,
as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God

Ephesians 5:2



ANNUAL REPORT

2016-2017



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ELDER REPORT

Pastor Andrew Pennels

Elders for the Year:

Andrew Pennels
Michael Andreassen
Kirk Williams
Rick Caynor
Rob O'Connell
Jason Tilley

A brief review:

As we draw to the end of another year, it gives us the opportunity to reflect on all that God has done in His Church in the past 12 months. It is always an incredible encouragement to look back at what seemed like overwhelming circumstances and to see how God has brought us through. Not only has He brought us through, but our faith is built up and stronger as a result.

One verse that we have held onto this year is Psalm 127:1

Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.
Unless the Lord watches over the city,
the watchman stays awake in vain.

This is God's house and He is at work building it.

We saw that in the summer of 2016 when we were without a Pastor, Youth Pastor, and still needing to fill most of our Ministry Leader positions. It seemed like an impossible challenge with some very large roles to fill and

most people heading off for the summer or moving out of Thailand all together. But as only God can, He filled those needs, in ways that left us in awe.

At the same time there was a large uncertainty over the financial health of the Church with a larger than usual turnover due to the decline in the oil industry.

The council at the time set what seemed to be a stretch budget, and we have seen how, through your faithful giving as a Church, God has not only met that stretch budget, but has exceeded it.

When we needed help with the youth program, He sent Matt and Bryn to step in and help with Middle School youth, and they have done a fantastic job.

Most importantly God has brought every single one of you here, at this particular time, with your unique gifts and abilities in order to grow His Church. We have seen countless times that God has already provided exactly what we need, exactly when we need it.

This is His Church, and He is growing it.

A few highlights from the year:

Right at the beginning of the year it became very apparent to the Elders that God was calling us to spend some time seeking Him about the specific mission and purpose He has given us as a Church.

We did this individually over a two week period, and then came together for an extended time of prayer and conversation.

I can only describe this as one of the most incredible experiences of my life. As each Elder shared what was on their heart it became evident that God was speaking. Six men, from vastly different backgrounds, in their own words said the same three points:

- We are a Christ centered community. A home away from home, a family for all who attend.
- We are passionately invested in our calling to make disciples. That starts here, where we are with our family and friends and then extends out from there.
- We are dedicated to reaching the nations. We are in a unique situation where we live among the nations and, when we all move on to our next assignments, we are literally going to the nations.

This vision is actively carried out in all that we do at CCC. From Sunday service, to how we run all of our ministries, our goal is to be doing the work that God has given us to do.

In addition to our regular events and programs, this year we also introduced the Sunday Funday and the Church Retreat. Both of which were great fun, but, more importantly, they were hugely successful in fostering the healthy Christian fellowship and relationship-building atmosphere at CCC, as called for in scripture.

This opportunity to look back over the year has been so good in that it shows us that through it all, God has been present, and He is the one building His church.

This also gives us great confidence as move forward into next year. We know that next year, like any other, will

have challenges of its own.

We know that there is more uncertainty and that can be a scary thing. But we also know that the God that has brought us this far, and will take us through whatever lies ahead.

We know that He has good plans for us.

We know that He who began a good work in us will bring it to completion (Philippians 1:6).

We are excited for next year, and we are excited to see what God has in store for us.

Our collective prayer as Elders is that we will all become more and more like Him, that we would love each other as He has loved us, and that we would bring glory to His name here on earth.

DEACON REPORT

Lucy Mundia

The Deacon Board works alongside the Elder Board, and together they form the CCC Church Council; whilst the Elder Board is responsible for spiritual, strategic decision making and walking alongside the Lead Pastor, the role of the Deacon Board as stipulated in Article VII (b) of the CCC constitution is to discharge administrative needs of the Church, including and not limited to:

- Facilities management
- Benevolence Ministry
- Day to day/Monthly financial management
- Ministries and Human resources support
- Construction and presentation of the annual budget for each fiscal year in collaboration with the Elders.

As such, items tackled in 2016/2017 included:

- Managing transition for CCC after Pastor Tim's departure.
- Fervent prayers for a lead pastor.
- Full involvement in Pastor Andrew's appointment both as an interim and a lead pastor through prayer, deliberations, and voting.
- Discussions and consultations for the Lead Pastor's remuneration package.
- Way forward for the Youth Ministry - both short-term (Intern) and long-term (Youth Pastor).
- Financial management.
- Church renovations split-up in phases, considering of funds available. Phase one (Kids facilities downstairs) is complete.
- Facility-Use Policy documentation.
- Recognizing the McLatchers at the end of their 8 years service in Worship Ministry, and ushering in the Blackwells.
- Finalization of Khun Neung's tenure as Church Administrator. Discussions to engage volunteer services from Michelle Tuggy and a Thai National, commencing June 2017, while Ministry Leaders help to close the gap in the meantime.
- Rigorous budget discussions, fund allocation to various ministries, and allowing for Ephesians 3:20.



Deacon Board members 2016/17

- Jason Wiles (HR)
- Michelle Tuggy (HR)
- Amy Szydlowski (Facilities & Sunday-service program coordinator)
- Livonia Winkles (CCC Treasurer)
- Lucy Mundia (Secretary)

Jason Tilley, as a non-voting liaison Elder, led all the monthly meetings.

All meetings started and ended with prayers. Every meeting had a scriptural reflection led by an Elder.

The Board of Deacons feel honored to have served in their various capacities and are thankful for the support and trust accorded by the members of CCC. We attest of God's goodness during our time of service.

Wishing the oncoming team a productive and enjoyable spiritually inspired deaconry for 2017/2018.

May the Lord grant you wisdom and direct your path.

TREASURER REPORT

Livonia Winkles EA

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June 2016 to May 2017 Highlights:

The Income and Expense Statement shows the actual results and budget for Chaengwattana Community Church's June 1, 2016–April 18, 2017 period. In efforts to provide sufficient time for congregational review of the newly proposed budget by Council, in preparation for the AGM to be held May 21, it is not possible to present the “final” results in this reporting, however we are pretty close.

In summary, offerings totaled THB 8,538,865 which was 106.74% above our current year's budget 8M. This year's giving record includes special OM Emergency Relief and Shelter offerings 102,465, and Building Fund 69K that will help continue space improvements as needed. Expenses totaled THB 6,508,121, which was 86.35% of budget, comparable to prior year at 86.44%. Overall, operating net income to-date is 2.270 million THB, exceeding anticipated budget by 2.541 million THB after accounting for interest income derived from fixed rate holdings of 2.5M THB savings (accessible anytime without penalty/fees).

Interim Pastor's expenses were about 81.24% of budget. We are happy to have Andrew Pennels as our newly hired Executive Pastor, for which we anticipate related expenses to be comparable to prior periods.

Operating cash funds are currently 6,469,732. (See Balance Sheet). We have reviewed overall budgetary concerns, considered use of liquid 2.5M THB fixed interest savings and are in the process of considering increasing this amount to 3M THB, while routinely discussing how best to use the financial resources as we are entering a new season of transition. We would like to continue to act on faith in continuing leasehold improvements upstairs, while also increasing our support to further outward ministry.

Notable activities and observations during the year included:

- CCC was able to fund Outward Ministries for THB 825,165 so far this fiscal year. For the proposed budget for fiscal year 2016-17; this figure will rise significantly to THB 1,105,000. □
- THB 472,199 has been spent on Building maintenance and improvements. This included work completed downstairs, improving the Kids church, nursery, and foyer areas, along with electrical wiring and carpet replacement. □
- The church's lease with Nichada Corp is for 3 years (exp. March 2019). As we moved from the previous combo lease arrangement that included pastor's parsonage, we were able to maintain the current lease arrangement at 150,000 (50K THB less than prior year). The currently lease continues to include free use of the space across from the old Villa store aka The DEN available for Youth group. □
- Transaction fees of THB 483,204 were paid to BEE World. They charge their clients 8.5% of any offering received, and an additional fee for those who which to use credit card rather than pay by checking account EFT. BEE World continues to be a convenient and valuable resource for members to

use in remitting their tithes and offerings. Offerings received through BEE World currently represent 5.709 million THB (66.8% of total CCC offerings). □

- The Church continues to hold THB 2,500,000 of cash in a term deposit account to earn additional interest. The church can get access to the funds if necessary without additional fee(s). □
- In conclusion, thank you for your faithful stewardship and support of Chaengwattana Community Church now and in the coming year. □

Chaengwattana Community Church
Balance Sheet
As of April 19, 2017

Apr 19, 2017
Accrual Basis

	Apr 19, 17	Apr 19, 16
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Bank of Ayudhya - Savings		
CCC Building Fund	69,531.90	678,766.80
Children's Ministry Gen Fund	1,525.00	0.00
OM Discretionary Emergency Fund	16,414.00	0.00
OM Temp Designated Funds		
Bibles OM	5,571.50	0.00
Faith House	32,610.00	0.00
Thai Ministry Fund	7,343.00	25,000.00
OM Temp Designated Funds - Other	22,614.50	16,286.00
Total OM Temp Designated Funds	68,139.00	41,286.00
Youth Ministry Funds		
MS Youth - Hands of Hope	35,201.50	34,042.50
Youth - Amazing Race	9,383.05	28,533.05
Total Youth Ministry Funds	44,584.55	62,575.55
Bank of Ayudhya - Savings - Other	1,382,053.29	1,740,404.58
Total Bank of Ayudhya - Savings	1,582,247.74	2,523,032.93
BEE World	2,008,823.14	863,215.02
Krungsri 10 M Fixed CD X2032	2,500,000.00	3,000,184.93
Krungsri Checking X0108	126,256.67	84,402.79
Petty Cash - Admin Assistant	15,065.00	25,530.00
Petty Cash - EW	33,785.00	0.00
Petty Cash - Hospitality	15,000.00	0.00
Petty Cash - Men's Ministry	1,420.00	0.00
Petty Cash - Treasurer		
Building Funds - Treas PC	7,360.00	0.00
Petty Cash - Treasurer - Other	179,774.75	97,773.26
Total Petty Cash - Treasurer	187,134.75	97,773.26
Total Checking/Savings	6,469,732.30	6,594,136.93
Other Current Assets		
Prepaid Rent Asset		
YP Furnishing and Service Pack	0.00	120,000.00
YP Rent - Residence	0.00	80,000.00
Total Prepaid Rent Asset	0.00	200,000.00
Prepaid Utilities - True Online	0.00	5,055.47
Water Bottle Deposit	2,400.00	1,600.00
Total Other Current Assets	2,400.00	206,655.47
Total Current Assets	6,472,132.30	6,800,794.40
Fixed Assets		
Furniture and Equipment		
Amplifier - Model TOA A-2030	15,000.00	0.00
Computer MB Air - Andrew	50,097.00	0.00
Furniture	82,999.84	82,999.84
Projector Epson EB S04	18,700.00	0.00
Speakers TOA BS-1030	21,300.00	0.00
Tables	21,000.00	21,000.00
Washer & Dryer - Condo	29,800.00	29,800.00
Total Furniture and Equipment	238,896.84	133,799.84
Vehicles		
Accumulated Depreciation Innova	-826,671.82	-826,671.82
Cost - Toyota Innova 2009	1,075,600.00	1,075,600.00
Total Vehicles	248,928.18	248,928.18
Total Fixed Assets	487,825.02	382,728.02

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Balance Sheet
As of April 19, 2017**

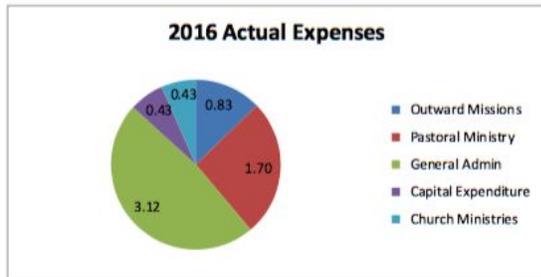
Apr 19, 2017
Accrual Basis

	Apr 19, 17	Apr 19, 16
Other Assets		
Security Deposits		
Church Building	250,000.00	100,000.00
Clarke Hatch	3,000.00	3,000.00
Senior Pastor Housing	0.00	150,000.00
True Visions	2,000.00	2,000.00
Youth Pastor Apartment	120,000.00	80,000.00
Total Security Deposits	<u>375,000.00</u>	<u>335,000.00</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>375,000.00</u>	<u>335,000.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>7,334,957.32</u>	<u>7,518,522.42</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		
CCC Youth Building Fund	18,150.00	0.00
Creative Ministry Payable	23,958.50	23,958.50
MS Service Project Payable	35,201.50	0.00
NNR Bazaar Sec Dep/Pre Pd Rent	0.00	4,000.00
Senior Pastor Accruals		
SP Severance Accrual	0.00	330,000.00
Sr Pastor Home Leave Accrual	0.00	150,000.00
Sr Pastor Relocation Accruals		
SP Shipping Allowance	0.00	100,000.00
SP Travel Allowance	0.00	150,000.00
Total Sr Pastor Relocation Accruals	<u>0.00</u>	<u>250,000.00</u>
Total Senior Pastor Accruals	0.00	730,000.00
Thai Staff Accruals		
Housekeeper Severance Accrual	16,000.00	4,000.00
Secretary Severance Accrual	0.00	7,250.00
Total Thai Staff Accruals	<u>16,000.00</u>	<u>11,250.00</u>
Youth Pastor Accruals		
Youth Pastor Home Leave Accrual	0.00	300,000.00
YP Relocation Accruals		
YP Shipping Allowance	0.00	100,000.00
YP Travel Allowance	0.00	300,000.00
Total YP Relocation Accruals	<u>0.00</u>	<u>400,000.00</u>
YP Severance Accrual	0.00	160,000.00
Total Youth Pastor Accruals	<u>0.00</u>	<u>860,000.00</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>93,310.00</u>	<u>1,629,208.50</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>93,310.00</u>	<u>1,629,208.50</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>93,310.00</u>	<u>1,629,208.50</u>
Equity		
Unrestricted Net Assets	4,975,803.57	6,436,470.21
Net Income	2,265,843.75	-547,156.29
Total Equity	<u>7,241,647.32</u>	<u>5,889,313.92</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>7,334,957.32</u>	<u>7,518,522.42</u>

Chaengwattana Community Church 2016-2017 Annual Report

2016-2017 Budget vs. Actual
(in millions of Thai Baht)

Income	Budget	Actual
Tithes & Offerings	7.16	8.54
Other Income	0.10	0.24
Total Income	7.26	8.78
Expenses		
Outward Missions	0.82	0.83
Pastoral Ministry	1.74	1.70
General Admin	3.51	3.12
Capital Expenditure	0.67	0.43
Church Ministries	0.79	0.43
Total Expenses	7.53	6.51
(Deficit)/Net Income	(0.27)	2.27

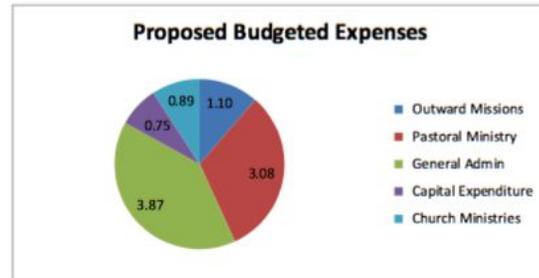


Notes - Fiscal to-date April 2017

- Actual tithes & offering 8.54 M exceed budget 7.16 M.
- Actual expenses 6.51 less than budget 7.53 M.
- Bottom line - profit 2.27 M well surpassed budgeted deficit 271K THB.

2017-2018 Recommended Budget
(in millions of Thai Baht)

Income	Current	Proposed
Tithes & Offerings	8.00	9.50
Other Income	0.12	0.14
Total Income	8.12	9.64
Expenses		
Outward Missions	0.89	1.10
Pastoral Ministry	2.90	3.08
General Admin	3.17	3.87
Capital Expenditure	1.17	0.75
Church Ministries	0.84	0.89
Total Expenses	8.97	9.69
(Deficit)/Net Income	(0.85)	(0.05)



Notes - Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018

- Projected tithes & offering 9.5 M to exceed current year budget by 1.5M.
- Projected expenses increase due to Executive Pastor and increase OM and Admin.
- Bottom line projected (deficit) 55K THB; current year surplus sufficient to cover.

ENCOURAGING WOMEN MINISTRY

Megan Wiles

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Joshua 1:9 "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

OVERVIEW

The Women's Ministry of Chaengwattana Community Church, known as "Encouraging Women" or EW, is an international, interdenominational group of women committed to glorifying God. EW is an encouraging and supportive environment that welcomes all women. This includes those attending bible study for the first time to those who desire to deepen their knowledge and understanding of God. Our purpose is to disciple women as they grow in their personal relationship with Jesus through instruction in God's Word, while equipping them for spiritual leadership.

2016/2017

Ephesians 3:20-21 "Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

For the 2016-2017 year, the following women served in leadership roles on the Encouraging Women Core and/or as a Facilitator:

- Megan Wiles - Chairperson
- Amy Szydowski - Administrative Assistant, Facilitator
- Cheryl June - Events, Facilitator
- Debby Wallisch/Kelley Weg - Treasurer
- Kaarin O'Connell - Historian, Facilitator
- Kelley Weg - After the Boxes
- Kerry Hammett - Child Care, Facilitator
- Lisa Caynor - Spiritual Development, Facilitator
- Lucy Mundia - Hospitality
- Rubina Kamran - Facilitator
- Sherry Heinecke - Facilitator

SUMMER 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

A 6-week video series from the Faithful, Abundant and True Bible Study was shown during the summer. These weekly 1.5 hours together included 30 minutes of discussion and prayer in small groups proceeding the

video. We found it effective to have the summer study option to include new women who moved into the community throughout the summer, current EW members who were still in town, as well as a handful of hired help who could attend due to their bosses being out of town. An average of 15 to 20 women attended each week.

FALL 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

1. EW hosted a Ladies' Game Night, BINGO, to reach out to the community and encourage participation in EW on August 29 from 7-8:30pm. Approximately 35 women attended. The first Bingo card was free for each round. Additional cards could be purchased for 50 baht, all proceeds going to Baan Feung Farr Children's Orphanage. Approximately 3,500 baht was raised.
2. In the Fall 2016 EW term we did a 6 week study on the books of Ruth and Esther and a 6 week study on the book of James. Both of these studies used the Engage Bible Studies Workbooks published by Community Bible Study. The cost for the semester was 400 baht. A total of 72 books were distributed and an average of 45 women attended the weekly meetings.
3. The kick-off event for the Fall 2016 EW term was held on August 31 from 9:30-11:00am. We conducted an icebreaker activity/games and enjoyed brunch, provided by the Core.
4. A Women's Retreat was planned for Saturday, October 15th from 9:15am-4:30pm to stream the Living Proof Simulcast featuring Beth Moore. Lunch was planned at Le Bouchon. Cost for the retreat including lunch was 1,000 baht per person. 25 ladies were signed up. Due to the passing of the King, the retreat was cancelled. It was not rescheduled due to the simulcast needing to be viewed within a 30 day period of when it was live.
5. The Halfway Potluck Brunch was held on October 19. The craft was making wooden stars to decorate our houses with for Christmas. Approximately 50 women attended.
6. On December 14, at the end of the fall term, two Christmas Outreach service projects took place. The women of EW visited a nursing home and prepared small care packages, which were distributed to the residents. They also sang Christmas carols and helped them with lunch. Another group of EW ladies hosted a party for the Nichada Camp nursery children in the CCC sanctuary. Games and crafts were planned for the children and lunch was provided. Having two simultaneous events gave women the option to choose how they wanted to serve and allowed us to share the love of Christ to even more people.
7. Throughout the Fall Semester, 2 small group socials took place per each discussion group to foster relationship building.
8. EW women also prepared cards, notes of encouragement and care packages for 9 college-aged children of EW participants. The packages were sent toward the end of the fall term, just in time for many of the students' finals. Feedback from the students and their families was overwhelmingly positive.
9. The EW "After The Boxes" ministry, which reaches out to newly arrived residents with useful information and resources to assist as they transition to life in Thailand and the greater Nichada area, served approximately 50-60 women in the fall.
A Welcome Meeting was held along with 7 various outings.

SPRING 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

1. EW hosted a travel themed "Game Night" outreach on Monday, January 23 with approximately 20 women in attendance.
2. In the Spring EW term we did a 12 week study on the book of Ephesians. This study used the Engage Bible Studies Workbook published by Community Bible Study. The cost for the semester was 250 baht. A total of 58 books were distributed and an average of 30 women attend the weekly meetings.
3. The kick-off event for the Spring 2017 EW term was held February 1 from 9:30-11:30am. We conducted an icebreaker activity/games and enjoyed brunch, provided by the Core.
4. The Halfway Potluck Brunch was held on March 29 from 9:30-11:30am. Scripture Journaling was introduced by Cari Glenn. Women then had time to start practicing scripture journaling on their own. Approximately 40 women attended.
5. EW hosted a movie night on May 2 at the church from 7-9pm. From the Faithful, Abundant, True Bible Study, 2 of Priscilla Shirer's teachings from Ephesians 3:20-21 on God's abundance were featured.
6. Throughout the Spring Semester, 2 small group socials took place per each discussion group to foster relationship building.
7. Due to the great success of the fall "After the Boxes", the ATB team decided to do a mini program, serving approximately 16 women in the Spring. A Welcome Meeting was held along with 2 outings.
8. EW partnered with Thanksgiving Home on a monthly basis in the Spring to play games, do crafts, swim, and provide lunch with 10-15 of their children. Thanksgiving Home provides children with disabilities love, opportunities and understanding in a Christ centered environment. The children came to Nichada to spend 1.5-2 hours with ladies of EW. A total of 4 outreach days took place this Spring.

GOALS FOR 2017-2018

1. Have two options for studies each semester to try to meet the needs of a very diverse group of women.
2. Develop a mentorship environment, encouraging women to consider partnering with a younger woman to be a "Titus 2" mentor.
3. Work with the Council to establish agreeable criteria for the role of small group facilitator.
4. Continue small group lunches for the purpose of enhancing relationships and building unity.
5. Host summer Bible Study, choosing a study that compliments the summer time schedule of women coming and going.

SOME PHOTOS THROUGH THE YEAR:



GREETER MINISTRY

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OVERVIEW

The Greeter ministry has the important role of presenting the "first impression" to any new visitors to CCC on a Sunday morning, as well as welcoming regular guests and members. As such, it is important for CCC greeters to be intentional in demonstrating a friendly, welcoming, God-centered image of CCC and the community to new visitors. It is the prayer of the Greeter Ministry and CCC that all guests feel welcome and that CCC is able to provide a spiritual home where they find a comfortable, supportive environment to grow spiritually. This is especially important for first time visitors to CCC. Many greeters carry out their important role within the church with the help of their spouses and children, which has proven to be an effective way to connect with current members, while also readily reaching out to new and returning visitors. We have two greeters on duty every week.

In addition to greeting people at the door, greeters are also responsible for assisting with making sure there is space for all in the Sanctuary, collecting the offering, and assisting with locking up the church and making sure all air conditioning units and lights are off after the Sunday worship.

The year is divided into three terms for greeters:

1. Fall Term
2. Spring Term
3. Summer Term (especially challenging time to making sure the long summer break is covered)

2016-2017 HIGHLIGHTS

The following nine CCC members, often with the help of their spouses and children, have been on the roster and faithfully served the Greeter Ministry at some time through 2015-2016:

1. Brian Burr
2. Dian & Carl Long
3. Sally Elliott
4. Brian Roberts
5. Kamran
6. Heidi Tilley
7. Rosie Williams
8. Sarfraz Yousaf
9. Mark Larovere
10. Salman Obaid
11. Roger Winkles

2017-2018 GOALS

We have to continuously update the greeter roster as a consequence of our transient Nichada community.

Looking forward to 2016-2017, the Greeter Ministry is praying for CCC members, old and new, to be identified as potential greeters for the upcoming year to replace departing greeters, to best enable the ministry to continue in its role within the church.

We also plan to have the greeting service enhanced with the any available members of the CCC leadership team also joining in the greeting process each week to further enhance the friendly face of CCC in the coming year and to make sure new arrivals are not missed and feel welcomed at CCC.

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

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OVERVIEW

The Hospitality Ministry is responsible for meeting various logistical and informational needs of the church. It serves CCC in a variety of ways, including:

- Helping with setup and cleanup at large CCC events (Church Potlucks, Family fun Sunday)
- Organizing the setup and takedown for seasonal altar/church decorations
- Coordinating monthly communion

HOSPITALITY TEAM 2016/2017

- Heather Hansen
- Rubina Kamran
- Lucy Mundia

2016-2017 HIGHLIGHTS

Below is a summary of the Hospitality Ministry highlights from the past year.

Monthly

- Organize all needs for Communion.

As Needed

- Decorate the church for various holidays and special events.
- Provide special items for various occasions like Family Sundays, Graduation Sunday, etc.
- Monitor and replace kitchen and other general church items when needed.
- Purchase and organize the signing of Thailand Remembrance books, which are given to departing CCC families.

June 2016

- Conduct a full kitchen cleaning.
- Complete detailed kitchen inventory.
- Any items not needed were donated to worthy causes.
- Procured needed items (coffee pot, Christmas candles, etc)

Sept 2016

- Coordinated potluck for General Meeting.
- Coordinated CCC's first Family fun Sunday.

December 2016

- Purchased new Christmas decor.
- Decorated the church for Christmas.

Feb 2017

Coordinated potluck during the General meeting.

April 2017

- Decorated the church for Palm Sunday, Good Friday & Resurrection Sunday.

May 2017

- To coordinate pot-luck during AGM
- Facilitate items and deco needed for Graduation Sunday service.

2017-2018 GOALS

Below is a summary of goals for 2017-2018.

- Do a complete inventory of the kitchen.
- Procure any items needed for the kitchen.
- Organize and coordinate a welcome potluck in August 2017.
- Organize and execute the Family fun fair event in September 2017.
- Organize all of the needs for communion.
- Decorate the church for holidays.
- Put together and print out a brochure with all the ministry information.
- Retain a log of all Hospitality Ministry activities that will be passed from leader to leader as they change.
- Fulfill other needs for the church, as the administration requires.



PRAYER MINISTRY

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**Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.
Matthew 18:19-20 ESV**

The Prayer ministry has the important role of ensuring that all prayer requests presented to CCC via email and verbal notifications both in church and via any of the leadership team or members are noted, circulated and most importantly prayed over in church on Sundays, by the leadership and at a corporate community prayer session at CCC every Thursday at 9:30 am downstairs at CCC

We encourage all members and visitors at CCC to join us for this corporate prayer body each Thursday to lift up all the prayers from CCC, Nichada, ISB and the community beyond.

In addition to specific prayer requests we continue to lift up the following in continuous prayer:-

1. CCC Leadership team
2. CCC body
3. Refugee families in IDC
4. Nichada, ISB, and the Thailand community

As quoted by Oswald Chamber:

“We tend to use prayer as a last resort, but God wants it to be our first line of defense.”

MEN'S MINISTRY

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As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. – Proverbs 27:17

The purpose of the Men's Ministry is to equip and encourage the men of Chaengwattana Community Church to grow an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ. We do that externally through group activities that strengthen and develop relationships amongst the men in the church and internally through praise, study, and worship.

Our goal is to provide a positive Christian environment geared towards men. We utilize the Bible to equip a man's thinking, which changes his actions and helps him form new godly habits. Through this ministry, our goal is create spiritual leaders of the home, active members of our church and engage in our greater community. We grow to develop and display a godly, Christ-like character in order to impact generations to come.

In 2016, the Men's Ministry saw a change in leadership as Rob Mitchell left Thailand and Roger Winkles felt a calling to serve. The immediate goal of the ministry was to establish a meaningful Bible Study with the CCC Men and did this through an expository study of the Book of Mark. After this 8-week study, we recognized we needed to make a change to influence more men. The decision was made to transform the ministry into an event-based model that included a Men's Breakfast and specific events geared towards men. For the transient nature of our community, it is the best model to provide the most impact.

The events focus on encouraging and building one another up for ministry through monthly gatherings for food, fellowship, bible study and prayer. During these events, the men are encouraged to participate in ministry and outreach planning for upcoming events. We also use this opportunity to provide the men with devotionals and take-aways to increase and develop their spiritual growth.

In the summer months, there is typically a "mass exodus" of families, as men are left working while their families take Home Leave and visit their home countries. During this time, we will continue to have meaningful events to keep our men focused on the most important topics: Jesus Christ and fellowship with one another.

As we continue through the remainder of 2017, we will continue to develop more outreach events for our men and strengthen the spiritual bond between each of us.



The Bowling Event at Major Bowl Hit on Chaengwattana Road.
From Left: Carl, Brian, Michael, Kamran, Daniel, Sarfraz, Kirk, Roger, Sam, Hunny, Rick.



Pongsul, William and Peter having a nice discussion over breakfast in the CCC Main Sanctuary.

NURSERY MINISTRY

Kerry Hammett

This year, the CCC Nursery provided childcare for children aged 9 months to 4 years during Sunday services and during EW on Wednesdays. The nursery also provided childcare during congregational meetings, special evening services, and during sermons at the Cha Am church retreat in February. In August, children aged 9 months to just under 2-year-olds formed the Little Lambs class and 2 to 3-year-olds formed the Leap Frog class. The Leap Frog class has included age-appropriate worship (singing), Bible lessons, prayer time and crafts. Although sitting still with patience is difficult for children this age, each Sunday approximately 75% of the class prays out-loud in a corporate prayer time. Teaching children and infants is a valuable ministry of the church as we know that Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14) and "Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies to silence the foe and the avenger." (Psalm 8:2).

Both nursery rooms experienced some long overdue renovations in the summer of 2016. Most of the renovation requests made by the nursery team were fulfilled; however, removal of part of the built-in storage was denied as the contractor and Nichada representative agreed the built-in storage was a load-bearing part of the wall separating the Leap Frog room from the Little Lamb room. The purpose of the proposed built-in storage removal was to make more room for the kids to play as the nursery has seen an increase in attendance during the last three years. In 2016-2017, the nursery had an average Sunday attendance of 16 kids (about 9 in the Leap Frog class and 7 in the Little Lamb class). There are currently 17 children on the Leap Frog roster and 10 on the Little Lamb roster, not including visitors. Khun Heng and Grace continue to faithfully serve in the nursery, and it is a blessing to have familiar faces welcoming the children each Sunday and Wednesday. In September, Khun Heng was given a 10,000 THB bonus for her 10+ years of service to CCC. Grace has worked for 1 year in March 2017. Due to a lack of church member volunteers, a third paid-helper was hired in the fall of 2016. 3 different housekeepers working in Nichada, two of which have since returned to their home country, have filled the third hired-helper position.

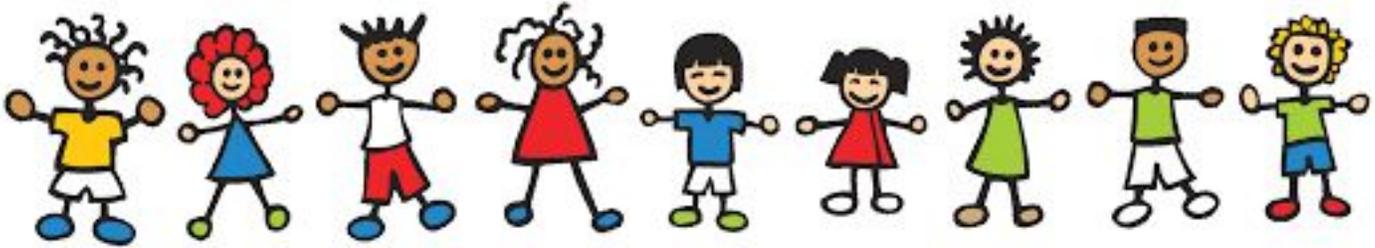
The biggest challenge for the nursery during 2016-2017 has been recruiting volunteers to share the teaching responsibilities. There is also a need for a new nursery coordinator beginning in June 2017.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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It's so great to be back at CCC. When Norm and I heard the news we were moving back to Thailand we were delighted and confident this was God's awesome design. We came into church and I wanted to be obedient to God and volunteer where he wanted me, not just follow my education and my own desires. So much of what CCC is doing now is exciting with their English Classes on Tuesday evening that reach into the community and all the Outward Ministry opportunities. But I felt an overwhelming sense that children's ministry is where I belonged. Equipping and educating our kids to find their identity in Christ and prepare them for a secular, changing world is our main goal and focus.

The Set Up:

This ministry reaches children from age 4-11; Pre K – grade 5. Our numbers regularly reach over 70. We reached almost 90 children on Easter Sunday.

When you first walk into the Lobby, a table with the children's nametags is set up. A teacher or Assistant represents each age group and gives the children their nametags. This allows the teachers, students and parents to all "see" each other, forming the first connection. It's also a chance to welcome new kids to let them know how to join us. Teachers can also get family information at this time to try to fill out our roster. Then the family begins Church together in the sanctuary.

At 9:45 we are released to our own program. We gather in Big Group downstairs for praise and worship. Here we receive a recap of recent lessons and an intro to the lesson for the week. In small groups we dig deeper. We pray, we practice scripture memorization, we collect an offering and we delve into the lesson and it's relevance in our lives.

Teachers rotate weekly. This allows for more teacher participation from our unique community where so many of us travel often. Teacher Commitment is once a month. For Pre K we have found it better for teachers to commit to teach for one month before rotating to help with consistency in this very active classroom.

The first Sunday of each month is Family Fellowship where children are invited to stay in the Sanctuary and see what "Big Church" is all about. No Children's Church programming is offered on those Sundays, but there are fun packs available; one per family. We have about 14 regular teachers and 5 subs currently. Ideally we'd have 18 regular teachers (a team of 3 for each grade level).

In addition to teachers, we have MS & HS helpers called Awesome Assistants. They are scheduled with each class (two for Pre K-K). Their duties include crowd control, managing craft supplies, bathroom runs, taking attendance and generally helping the teacher be able to teach. The impact with this group is far reaching. Beyond being a help in the classroom, they are modeling for the ES students service and caring and commitment to God. They are embodying the idea that we are one family in Christ, and it also gives the teens another chance to hear God's word in their own formation of their identity in Christ. We have over 20 MS and HS helpers.

The curriculum is The Gospel Project, a Bible based, chronological Bible Study put out by Lifeway Resources. Check it out; it's real and it's good.

Highlights

Teacher participation. While it is true we'd like more teachers to be involved, the commitment of the teachers we have is so encouraging. Many teachers have stepped up to teach extra classes voluntarily. During our meetings, I've been encouraged by the interest and ideas generated. We have between 4-8 people attending regularly, but more who weigh in over email. Some of the concepts we've explored include the structure and purpose of our big and small group times.

Special Programs.

Christmas program: What greater Witness than kids in bathrobes acting out the nativity? Our music and special programs was so blessed this year to have Rhonda Roberts heading it. She organized and developed a relevant, exciting program that kept the kids engaged and blessed us all in the process. In fact, let's not let her leave!! Other special programs include The Kick Off (with Big Bubbles) and the 'Easter Egg Hunt' as well as the upcoming 'Summer Send Off'.

These special programs generate interest in the community and excitement with the kids.

Charitable Donations: This is an interesting journey. At a teacher's meeting we started with the initiative of having our kids help other kids in a very real, visible, specific way. We wanted them to see that their work and contributions could impact people for the glory of God.

What started as a campaign to put our offering to good use has become a full fledged Fund Raiser for Tho Mae Kee Refugee camp, where Pastor Peacefully works (and where Michael Andreassen often works). Our initial goal was 20,000 THB to fix a roof on an Elementary building before rainy season. With the help of a generous church family, we reached that goal in record time.

Now our goal includes a block of much-needed Toilets. This requires another 80,000 THB (100,000 THB total). We currently are at 93,042 THB!

Lisa Perry spearheaded our fundraising efforts and we had 4 events, roughly one a month. Our first was a bake sale during the General Meeting (This amount raised, along with our classroom offerings was enough to Raise the Roof we needed!). We also held 'Nichada Neighborhood Night Market' at the Church, and we sold leaves to cover our "Toilet-Tree"! We are planning another bake sale for our May AGM.

These fundraisers have not only allowed the kids to see God's grace at work in their lives, but to provide some positive community spirit and a chance to actively serve in creative ways.

Look what God has done!



Challenges

Please pray for me in my role as Children’s Ministry leader. I’ve had to really explore what it means to lead the teachers versus being a Peer Coordinator. Passionate gifted teachers sometimes have conflicting ideas as to how to approach a program. Please pray for all of us teachers to be able to work together, and for me to have discernment and the ability to keep our focus. Sometimes our passions can be used as distraction and we do not want the devil to get a foothold.

Changing landscape of the community in CCC. It thrills me to see so many languages and cultures coming together (I lost it during “How Great Thou Art in Urdu and English recently). It’s still challenging. Language barriers, cultural differences (some cultures aren’t used to sitting quietly and listening or separating from their siblings by age groups), and trying to minister to everyone is challenging. Please pray for unity and those little minds to absorb all that God wants them to learn.

Attrition: Our unique community has a very fluid population. Scheduling is challenging. This is where we need to trust God...every Semester. Please pray for God to bring into our community those willing to serve and to raise up teachers and assistants. Please help me pray for a Music Leader and teachers. Rhonda, Cheryl June and Ridge will be sorely missed.

Thank you to everyone involved in making this ministry what it is growing into. May we be a beacon in this community as we form our identity in Christ.

OUTWARD MINISTRY

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We welcome your questions, and would gladly share any additional information.

CCC OUTWARD MINISTRY PARTNERS:

Htee Moo Draw #8 Mission School

AT MAE LA REFUGEE CAMP □ MAE SOT, THAILAND □

A steep climb up a muddy path surrounded by dense jungle is not a typical activity for those of us who live in and around Nichada, but is a very typical activity for the missionary teams during our twice yearly trips to visit CCC's ministry partners in Mae Sot, Thailand. Outward Ministries at CCC has sponsored two ministries there for many years.

The first one is the **Htee Moo Draw #8 Christian School in the Mae La refugee camp**. Mae La is the largest camp of its kind in Thailand housing nearly 50,000 people displaced by years of conflict in Myanmar. Htee Moo Draw serves the Karen people group who live in the camp, which is set on a mountainside in the dense jungle along the Thai/Myanmar border. Our support, which has taken on many forms over the years, including helping them start a herd of goats, helps the school to make disciples of Jesus, and future leaders for their community. This year, our ministry trips to Mae La found us making Christmas ornaments with the students as a fund raiser, as well as an inspection of and update of the computer lab at the school. In December, we brought Christmas gifts for all the students and staff, plus snacks and flip flops for the younger children in the camp.



The other ministry that CCC supports, in Mae Sot, is a safe house for girls called **Faith House**. It is part of the larger **Elpis ministries**. The girls are from migrant families in poverty, and are at risk of being trafficked, so Faith House is a place of safety and care for them. They are loved, enrolled in school, taught life skills and handicrafts. They are being discipled in Christ, and they are also sharing the Gospel to local Burmese populations on a weekly basis. It is amazing to see these sweet girls who are being ministered to, be ministers to those without hope who have even less than they do! Our trips to Faith House this year included ornament making, helping them with their ministry activities, and helping them with fire safety strategies. In December we brought gifts for the girls and staff, as well as food and flip flops for the Burmese children they minister to in the villages.

Life Raft

Kaarin O'Connell

Christian asylum seekers are here in Thailand to escape religious persecution in their home country. They have registered with the UN for placement in another country, but the process can take years. Meanwhile they are unable to work and, so supporting themselves and their families is difficult.

At CCC we believe these are the very people that Christ calls us to look after. There is a ministry in Bangkok called Life Raft that is helping to support these families with monthly stipends. We partner with Life Raft to help meet these needs. Each family needs to have an advocate family to be their friends and mentors. Many families at CCC have stepped up into this role of advocacy. Our partnership with Life Raft is the main way we support these families.



CCD/Rainbow House

The Christian Care Foundation for Children with Disabilities in Thailand (CCD) has been providing care and support to abandoned children with disabilities since 1986. CCD's aim is to demonstrate Jesus' love by helping disabled children achieve their highest potential. It also seeks to protect their rights and aims to integrate as many as possible into mainstream society.

CCD's projects include:

- Four day-care centers: Rainbow House Daycare, plus three day care centers in the Pak Kred
□ Government Home for Disabled Children: Baan Fuang Fah (birth to 7 years), Rachawadee Girls (7 years to adult), and Rachawadee Boys (7 years to adult). Community-based rehabilitation projects in Nonthaburi, Nakhon Pathom, and Chai Nat. □
- Rainbow House: A residential home for up to 40 children with a variety of needs. □
- Two 'independent living' homes for 14 young adult males. □

CCC church supports CCD by hosting their annual garage sale to raise money for their projects. Members also volunteer at Rachawadee Girls' home through CCD's ministry. □

Website: www.ccdthailand.org □

Prison Ministry

Shana De Haven

Members of CCC have been intermittently visiting incarcerated women from Africa, Malaysia, South America, India and Nepal (many of whom are Christians) to encourage them, and also to provide funds to buy necessary toiletries and healthy food, which can be bought in prison.

The prison, Lard Yao Central Women's Correctional Institution, is located about a half-hour away from Nichada on Ngam Wong Wan Road. It is the largest women's prison in Thailand.

In April, the prison changed its policies on foreigners visiting prisoners, and authorities require a letter from the prisoner's embassy before visits can be made.

Missionaries

CCC church supports several missionaries who work in Thailand, Myanmar, and China. These missionaries are supported through our weekly offerings. Please pray for all our missionaries so that they can spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

1. Arnan “Dong” Moontrkorn and wife “Zip” are engaged in evangelistic ministry with Thai Cru, formerly called Campus Crusade for Christ. Dong and Zip work with Thai university students through concerts, Bible studies and prayer events. They have a vision to increase the Christian population of Thailand from 600,000 to 1 million by 2015. They have shared about their work with us through visits to Sunday services.

Website: www.iServethailand.com □ www.Facebook.com/iServethailand □ CCC

2. Pastor Isaiah is an evangelist of the Myanmar Christian Assembly (MCA) that has planted 10 Burmese fellowships and 10 churches within Thailand. He leads the Burmese fellowship that meets at CCC on Wednesday evenings. Pastor Isaac also supports the ESL program that meets at CCC.

CCC also contributes to the Myo Hla Project of the MCA, which aspires to reach the youth of Burma/Myanmar through starting a Christian school for Karen children in the town Myo Hla in the Kachin State.

Website: www.mcathailand.com □



Dong & Zip



Pastor Isaiah of MCA baptizes a Karen believer

Thanksgiving Home

Thanksgiving Home is a group home founded in 2012 by Wanchai Tripiyachart and his wife, Maetim Tripiyachart, for the purpose of helping young people with varying degrees of mental and physical disabilities improve their quality of life through occupational and prevocational training. They also prepare the adolescents to live with other people and function within society.

Thanksgiving Home provides services to both live-in residents and day-care students. Young people learn skills such as hairdressing, swimming, Thai massage, Thai music and dance, Thai language, art, computer usage, and speaking conversational English. They have learned magic tricks that they occasionally perform at local international schools and shopping centers. Many also attend a local Thai school.

Since early 2015, Khun Wanchai, an ordained minister, has started a house church inside Thanksgiving Home that draws its attendance from the local community. Thanksgiving Home now has a recycled goods store that helps raise money for the home.

A Steak Restaurant has been established by Khun Wanchai to enable the older students to learn transferable life skills. The restaurant is managed by a Thanksgiving resident who, despite her disabilities, has won National cooking prizes.

We wish them luck, and invite you to go and enjoy the food – it is simple and delicious ☺

Website: <http://thanksgiving-home.com/index.php/en/>□

Email: thanksgivinghome@hotmail.com□

Thoo Mwee Khee School

Thoo Mwee Khee (pronounced Soo-ma-kee) is a school and sanctuary for children from Burma. Thoo Mwee Khee (TMK) is located in Thailand near a small town called Pophra.

Led by the tireless Pastor Peacefully, the school teaches around 700 students each year from grade one through to post-ten. We've seen many vulnerable children from Burma get an education and go on to do great things with their lives. Most of these children had to flee Burma with their families to Thailand or they come from their remote villages to learn here and live during term time.

This is one of very few schools outside Burma where the local Karen culture and language is very much alive and part of the curriculum. These kids are safe, they are learning and they get to be who they are.

As well as being a successful education provider, Thoo Mwee Khee is home to over 300 orphaned, abandoned and unaccompanied children who have fled conflict in Burma to a place of safety on the Thai/Burma border.

Thoo Mwee Khee started out with just 50 children being cared for and educated. As word spread that this was a good and safe place, and as military conflict raged in rural Burma, more and more children sought refuge

across the border at Thoo Mwee Khee.

A ceasefire has been in place in the Karen state since 2010 but most of the children here don't have a home to return to in Burma, or their families are trying to make a new life in Thailand. This school and home is still very much needed.

Thoo Mwee Khee is based on Christian principles and believes in not only providing an academic education, but a God-centered education that has led to many salvation, not only amongst the students, but through them, to their families in the surrounding communities as well.



This year we had the opportunity to host 28 teenager children and 6 adult supervisors from the above school who visited CCC on Saturday December 3rd to Sunday December 4rd.

Our congregation was awesome as host families for these visitors. All of the children were so overwhelmed by the hospitality and kindness shown by the CCC family.

We all had a potluck dinner in the church and worship afterwards in the sanctuary. The next day, the teenager children performed some traditional dances that they had put together.



After the service, before they headed back to Maesot, they had lunch sponsored by Alex from Que Pasa, another blessing from our nearby community.

All of the children are from Thoo Mhwee Khee School, founded by Pastor Peacefully to provide Christian Education to stateless children whose families fled religious persecution and ethnic cleansing in Myanmar. In addition, the older students attend a Bible School that is run by Thoo Mhwee Khee in order to train missionaries to reach their people.

Most of the students come from remote parts of Karen State, in Myanmar, and are living in the boarding section of TMK School, as the school houses 320 children, in addition to the 380 kids that walk to school daily. For most of them, this was their first trip outside the refugee camp and could be the only opportunity for them to come to Bangkok.

Outward Ministries Closing Thoughts

Dian Long

It has been a great joy to hear from many of those we support this past year.

We thank God for all He is accomplishing through our faithful giving and those He has called to lead in the cause of Christ in so many different ways.

Jesus has called His followers to go and make disciples and our desire for our OM Ministries is that each project or ministry in their own way is accomplishing the Lord's command.

We want to see men, women and children growing intimately in relationship with Jesus Christ and using their personal salvation story to impact those around them with the truth and saving power of the gospel. We praise God that He is doing that in many of these ministries!

Whether we support them through the provision of a safe haven, through assistance with food for those who lack adequate resources, through education or spiritual training, we desire is to see many come to be faithful followers of Jesus and to look to Him for all things.

We trust the above summaries of these ministries and our faithful Father God will inspire our CCC congregation to lavishly and sacrificially support through offerings, and prayers each one in an increasing way each year.

There are unending ways to come along side these project ministries and missionaries in a physical partnership as well, which can encourage those directly serving that no amount of offering ever can.

It is our great joy to be able to support each of the above ministries and Missionaries and their faithful service to the Lord Jesus Christ. **Please let us know if you would like to know more and be involved.**

Thank you, CCC members, for your gifts and support of all the above.

It is exciting to hear that more than we can count are coming to Christ because of YOU! May next year be an even greater harvest because of the investment of CCC members..... To whom much is given, much is required.

Praise Be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

ESL MINISTRY

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English as a Second Language (ESL) is a short-term outreach of CCC to the Nichada Thai and Burmese community.

English provides a means to bridge into the hearts and lives of the local non-English speaking community and gives them an opportunity to hear the gospel from Thai and Burmese pastors and ESL volunteers.

God has been faithful to continue to bring instructors and students who are driven to teach and to learn. Fall and Spring semesters both involved about 100 student registrations with an average of 65 students in attendance each week.

Student registration fee, 500 baht per semester, cover all costs associated with the program including study materials, snacks and an end of semester celebration. A number of students have progressed to join Thursday night's Thai Bible Study as well.

ESL is conducted in two 10-week sessions in the Fall and Spring on Monday evenings from 7 – 9 PM at CCC. Student levels are established during a registration event at the beginning of each semester. The Fall term runs from September through December and the Spring term, January through April.

Each class begins with interactive group music and a short time of Bible teaching led by a Thai pastor. This is followed by the students dividing into 3 levels based on their English fluency for the English language instruction.

Volunteers are always welcome!



THAI MINISTRY

Michael Andreasson

Mark 16:15-16 “And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

”Matthew 9:37-38 “Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Ministry Team:

Roger and Livonia Winkles, Maria Burr, Rachel Schlukebier, Patrick, Michael A.

Over this last year the Lord has blessed us with incredible growth in the Thai Ministry. From a starting point of 3 regular attendees to our Thursday night Bible study, we now have a regular group of approx. 15 people who are faithful to attend on a weekly basis.

Most of the original group of attendees who came to Thai Bible study are former and current ESL students, which is something that God has greatly used as a avenue to reach lives and hearts that would not otherwise be open to the Gospel. Due to the incredible cultural, religious, and traditional boundaries that exist between the local communities and a knowledge and understanding of God, it has been very instrumental to have ESL as a means to establish relationships with people and plant the seeds of faith in a non-threatening environment. During ESL, we are able to use half a hour to lead the students in praise and worship, and share the gospel with them, which has been well received. At the closing of the ESL party, we are able to once again share the gospel with those that attend, as well as offer them the opportunity to come and learn more with us on Thursday nights.

In addition, for the first time in many many years, we had a Christmas Outreach Program, focusing on giving people from the community that we live in and the surrounding areas a chance to hear the gospel in Thai, with a program tailor made to open their eyes to Christ, and his love for them. With over 40 attendees, it was a beautiful opportunity to share the true meaning of Christmas with this group of people who had never heard the gospel.

Through that program, as well as the individuals that the Lord has brought into our group, 22 people have come to accept Christ as their Lord and Savior this last year, Praise God!

In addition, 6 people got baptized at CCC over this last year!

As the Lord has brought about tremendous growth over this last year, one of the challenges we face this year is in how to disciple and train up the Thai Church that God has brought into our community as part of our church body. The Thai congregation has been hugely blessed by all those who sacrificed their time to come and be a part of our Thursday night gatherings, prepared food and refreshments for the group, or assisted in the picking up and sending of the congregation.

“And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.” Mathew 10:42.

We've also been hugely blessed by those who have reached out to our Thai congregation and extended the friendships and love that they need in order to feel a part of the Body of Christ.

Through our times of study, over this past year, we have nearly completed the book 'The Purpose Driven Life', which is great for giving new believers a foundation in their faith, and answering some of the basic questions that they have.

In addition, we were blessed to be able to facilitate a visit by Pastor Peacefully and the children from TMK School, so that we could enjoy their fellowship, as well as the beautiful performance that they put together, while at the same time being able to love on and bless these children and teachers, many of whom were leaving their village for the first time.

Thanks to everyone who had a hand in making this ministry what it is today!

All for his Glory!



WORSHIP MINISTRY

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O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. ~ Psalms 34:3 (KJV)

Greetings from your CCC Worship Team!

What an adventure we have had this year! God has definitely stretched us in ways unimaginable and we are that much closer to him because of it.

But before we get down to business...

For the last 10 years Roshali (Ro) McLatcher along with her husband, Chris, have been leading our congregation in worship at CCC. They have remained a constant. They have been willing to lead worship even if it's by themselves! Their commitment and dedication to our church and worship team is truly inspiring! We pray that God's favor and blessings go before them and that they will continue to follow His leading in their next assignment. You will be greatly missed!

New Beginnings!

We are excited and humbled by the opportunity to head up the Worship Department. We are also eager to see what God will do in all of us, through worship at CCC. Offering praise and worship to our Almighty King is to us like the air we breathe. It is an essential part of our connection with the presence of God. We hope for all to have this connection with HIM. Buckle up, let's go on this journey together!

What's Happening NOW...

Our vision is always to serve God and His church. As a team we seek His face, presence and direction. Our goal is to be an avenue for all to experience God's presence in and through worship. Of course there are other ways of experiencing God (i.e. prayer, reading His word, serving others etc) but since we are the worship department it seems very fitting.

Over this next year, we are praying for growth in the following areas:

- Singers
- Musicians
- Sound Board Techs
- Slideshow Operators
- Hearts for Worship

Currently, we have 27 members and 7 will be moving this summer.....

We plan to have a major worship team drive soon. Look out for more information later in the year! We want everyone, men, women, boys and girls!

If you are interested in joining the team, learning how to play an instrument and/or sing or know someone who may, please connect with us at worship@cccthailand.org

You don't have to be a pro we are in a place where we can learn and build together.

We have introduced a few new things like Planning Center Online for scheduling and media storage, backing tracks, Inner ear monitors, and several other things will be rolled out soon to help the team.

Continue to pray for our Worship and Arts Team that God will send us just what we need in His timing.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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The CCC Youth Ministry continued to train our youth in the truths of Christ throughout the year, while also engaging in a variety of exciting activities, to include:

The Senior High retreat to Koh Talu island, in September of 2016:

This was a fantastic way to start the school year, and over 20 High Schoolers were able to participate in the retreat! During the event, the youth had regular Bible study sessions, group discussions, and also engaged in a variety of activities such hiking, squid fishing, and competing in our own version of the Summer Olympics!

We were blessed to have Heidi Tilley come along as a volunteer parent, and we were all thankful that Andrew avoided death after choosing to play with a poisonous Puffer Fish while swimming.

Provided below are some pictures that show the colorful bus that was used for transporting us to Koh Talu, the cottages and beaches we had at our disposal, the turtle farm that was on the island, a sample of the Olympic games, and a snapshot of Robbie taking his very first steps while at the retreat!

In summary, the Lord blessed the event by enabling several key spiritual discussions, and creating a welcoming environment that enabled the sharing of the gospel with several that had never been exposed to it before.





The Feed the Hungry and Mini Service Project, in October 2016:

During this event, our youth were able to serve the entire congregation, by organizing storage rooms, building racks, and for creating a usable space for the church to store food, clothing and other supplies to serve those in the congregation that have real physical needs.



Support for the church wide retreat in Cha Am, in February 2017:

For the Church Retreat, many of the youth (both MS and HS) came together to lead the childcare activities.

This included a combined total of over 3 hours of childcare throughout the weekend, which provided an opportunity for the adults that regularly serve in the Children's Ministry to actually participate in the Retreat!

This service was a real blessing to the kids, the youth, and the parents. Specifically, the youth independently organized lesson plans, games, and activities.

After the care of children was finished, the youth were able to enjoy some pool time with everyone, and then playing Capture the Flag and Ultimate Frisbee in the dark.



The Middle School DNow event, in March 2017:

This annual event was a real spiritual highlight for the participating Middle Schoolers and host homes, and included dedicated messages by Matt Walton and Andrew Pennells, and leadership of worship events by several High Schoolers.

During the event, they learned exactly what it means to be “Relentless” in our spiritual walks, and how to disciple others. Additionally, the Middle School kids were separated by gender and grade, in order to stay overnight at the various host homes, which included dedicated Bible study times, video making projects, and the high volume consumption of sweet treats...





The Middle School service project at Thanksgiving Home, in March 2017:

Thanksgiving Home helps to protect and love the most vulnerable of children in Thailand in a Christ like manner, including those with disabilities.

The Middle School kids came together to help them prepare for the opening of a dedicated restaurant, that enables the Thanksgiving Home kids to develop new skills, and to help support themselves financially in a safe environment.

Not only did the Middle Schoolers help with decorations and organization, but they also donated money from various fund raising events that allowed for the purchase of an oven, dishes, and other critical supplies for the new restaurant.





Many other events were held throughout the year, including:

Mexican theme night, Chocolate night, HS Progressive Dinner, MS Spaghetti dinner and lock in, Christmas party, S'mores and Bonfire, HS Service Project etc.

These all contributed to bringing in youth to hear the truth about God's love for them.





As exciting and encouraging as these activities were, it was notable that unfortunately the Amazing Race had to be cancelled this year, due to the passing of the King of Thailand. Specifically, we were unable to obtain permission from the Police and other Governmental authorities to allow us to have large fun gatherings, moving through Bangkok during this period of mourning.

Lastly, without having a dedicated Youth Pastor to lead the ministry this year, several people stepped up to ensure our youth continued their spiritual growth.

This included Andrew Pennels serving as the Interim Youth Pastor (in addition to his Lead Pastor roles), Dee Pennels assisting with organization and helping to lead the High School sessions with Andrew, Matt and Bryn Walton stepping up to lead the weekly Middle School sessions in an engaging and relevant manner, Rhonda Roberts organizing various service projects and weekly snacks, and Kirk and Rosie Williams serving as the overall Ministry Leads.

We are so thankful for this ministry, and for the blessing of seeing the Lord work in the lives of our youth!

LIFE GROUP MINISTRY

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At the beginning of the 2016/17 school year (the 'official' Start of the year!) I made the following call:

“LIFE GROUPS: WHY PARTICIPATE?

At CCC, we understand that time is a precious commodity. So much to do, so many things to commit to, Family Time is squeezed, and at the end of the day everyone is tired...

BUT, we also sincerely believe that spending a couple of hours a week with supportive and engaged fellow believers in a small group setting will nourish your spirit and your faith, and help us grow.

We are all on a journey in our unique faith walk, and Life Groups are a wonderful way for each of us to explore and discuss this further with friends made along the way.

Meeting in homes, usually from 7-9pm on an agreed evening, your group will choose their own reading material/subject matter (which may or may not have homework), and following a short social time, a 'Leader' will facilitate discussion for the evening.

What better way for you to share experiences and thoughts, learn from others, exploring your faith, what it means to have God in your life, to ponder on your unique God-given gifts and be the person both you and God want you to be, while building relationships in a small group where you will undoubtedly connect with members of your group?

Do come and talk to us!

We would love you to be a part of something that is core to CCC... Building relationships and growing in faith together.”

And..... We had an overwhelming response!

- Now have the most Life Groups that our small church has ever floated.

- We are truly blessed ☺

- We have 6 fully engaged groups who meet every week, and spiritually feed the 60 people involved.

I asked these Life Groupers what their Group had meant to them, and why they enjoyed being a part of them.... Read what they have to say:

1. We love forming friendships with other believers that you can live life with together. Digging into God's Word and then applying it to our lives together as we navigate the ups and downs of life.
2. It's meant having a spiritual family in a foreign land of strangers. Our group has been the hands and feet of Jesus ministering to me in one of the roughest seasons of life.
3. It has been an amazing support system for our family while living over seas. I love the bonds that we have created and know that we can rely on anyone in the group to pray for us or help us out in situations.
4. It's meant learning and being challenged. It's also been a time to mentor a bit, to see how God has

provided for me and how that can help others now.

5. I enjoy learning new things; growing closer to God, new friends and doing LIFE with others that share Jesus.
6. I love attending to build connections with the group and to learn more about the Bible and what God is trying to teach us. The fellowship is really fun and our small group has done some really fun activities in addition to our study.
7. How we can be real with one another in a safe environment.
8. I enjoy know that we aren't the only ones who deal with junk. Every Christian faces similar battles. There's comfort in knowing that you aren't alone.
9. Getting to know new people, fellowshiping with people you don't have time to at work
10. Having deeper conversations that are more guided on the subject or topic
11. Having the fellowship of a Home Group
12. Having more people to pray over your requests
13. Having the ability to discuss more personal aspects of each other's lives
14. Studying the Word on a more intimate level
15. Understanding that Church is an extension of the Life Group. The Life Group is where the real connections are made.
16. Having the diversity of the groups with ages, lifestyles, perspectives, cultures, etc.

These are all wonderfully uplifting comments to read, and our HOPE is that the entire Church will be a part of a Life Group – this is our prayer.

There is more work to be done, but CCC holds our Life Groups at its core, and we know that God is blessing us in this area.

What a privilege to study together"... this Word (that) forms and fulfills, motivates and mobilizes, equips and empowers, leads and directs the people of God" (David Platt).

We HOPE you will sign up next year, and be a part of this exciting and fulfilling Ministry ☺

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR MINISTRY LEADERS.....
here are some of them 😊 :



Amen!