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HARVEST NEWS



KHON KAEN, THAILAND

FROM THE HARVEST FIELD...

Dear friends and supporters,

I want to start this newsletter with a big shoutout to our awesome God and all of you, our generous donors and friends! In 2020, a school building was born. In 2021, a 621m long security wall with a beautiful frontage was built around our 15,393.6 sq. m. land. What looked like a ginormous task during an economy that was spiraling out of control has become an awesome testimony of God's faithfulness and provision. He is indeed Jehovah Jireh.



This school building was born in 2020.



Outside: The frontage of our Learning Center



Inside: One side of the security wall, panoramic view



Night view of our newly built wall and our new walking trail named "Angel Walk"

Covid-19 continues to ravage the livelihood and welfare of many needy and vulnerable families. In collaboration with local health authorities, we continue to support vulnerable families, send food supplies to families under quarantine, encourage worn out frontline workers with meals and snacks and send supplies to the sick and needy.



Sending aid to a very sick lady who was being taken care of by her elder sister who is more than 70 years old



Lunch and snacks for frontline workers

Thank you for empowering us to be salt and light in a very dark time of our history. May you be blessed as you so richly bless the people here in Thailand.

On behalf of everyone at World Harvest Foundation, I wish all of you a very joyous Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

All for the Harvest,

Dorothy Jason

President

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HLC Update - The Highest Purpose

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Throughout the last two challenging years our team at Harvest Learning Center has continued to do its best for our students. We have used various models to keep the children in school, including “Online”, “On Demand”, “Half-Day”, and “Alternate Days”. Throughout this time, our small team has often and regularly stretched itself to the limit.

Although it is not easy work for our small team, I have often found myself wondering how our students are being impacted by all the uncertainty and instability. The world our students are growing up to serve is very different from the world I grew up in! When I was a child growing up in Ohio, the only interruptions to my school schedule were a few “snow and ice” days during the winter season. My siblings and I welcomed these kinds of short-term interruptions with cheers of excitement; but we always knew that our schools, our teachers, and our friends would be waiting for us as soon as the roads were cleared. In those days we all felt that the future was securely positioned ahead of us, just waiting for us to arrive.

I wonder if we are giving our students this same feeling of security. It has now been almost two years since our students have been able to go to sleep at night knowing that they would be going to school as per normal the next morning. For almost two years our students have been hoping and praying for the announcement that school will return to “normal” again. They don’t talk much about what they are experiencing deep in their hearts. They willingly obey their parents, their teachers, and the government authorities. When they have the chance to study, they try to do their best without complaining. But whenever I ask them what they are feeling in their hearts, most of them are quick to acknowledge a deep fear that lurks there.

In order to prepare our students for a secure future, we need to give them much more than a traditional education focusing on their reading, writing, and math skills. We need to give them as much knowledge as possible about the history of their world and about all the great scientific achievements of the past. But much more importantly, we need to equip our students to be active and productive members of the human family. Our students need to be able to find their place of service in a world filled with uncertainty.

It is true that the world is being greatly impacted and changed by the current pandemic known as Covid-19, but we who are alive in this generation are becoming increasingly aware of the fragility of everything that we once believed was secure. Our planet is daily faced with terrible natural disasters including earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tornadoes, fires, famines, and floods. We are witnessing the potential crumbling of traditional social structures, the steady collapse of our once reliable economic systems, and the increasing volatility surrounding geo-political boundaries. All of the knowledge in the world won't be enough to enable our students to reach secure and productive futures. We need to prepare our students to seek wisdom from above in order to find their purpose and fulfillment in serving the Highest purpose.

Please make it a habit to pray for us regularly. Ask God to give us His perspective and His wisdom so that we will succeed in our task of preparing the next generation for the days ahead. When you pray for us, please also pray for all of those you know who are teachers and who are responsible for training and educating the next generation. Ask God to give His perspective and His wisdom to all of them. Thank you for your faithfulness on our behalf. And as always, thank you for your continued faithful financial support.

With Blessings,
Mike Jason

Agriculture Update - The Joy of Harvesting

BY KRIS DOLLISEN

Harvesting is one of the most exciting activities here at WHF. Last November 13, some of our staff, students and their parents had a great time together as we harvested this year's very healthy and heavy rice grains. We had a bigger and better harvest this year than last year.

Aside from harvesting rice, we also enjoyed reaping a variety of vegetables which were planted by our staff on our ground. We harvested butternut squash, long beans, lady's finger, rockets, spring onions, sweet potatoes and many others. All of them were chemical free!

Although the process of preparing the ground, germinating seeds, and tending the seedlings took a lot of time and effort, it was all worth it when we get to see the plants grow and bear fruit. Harvesting fills the heart with joy when you taste the fruits of your labor.





Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year!

May God bless each of us with a stronger and healthier body, soul and spirit so that we can overcome the challenges of our time.

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