WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE

"Go out...and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

Hi Friends!

I'm writing again to let you know how things are going here in South East Asia. It is hard to believe that I've been here a month already!

Day to Day

The F@ther has helped us all to adjust and settle into the routine of daily life here. Most days we exercise as a group; this has been good, and I hope I am learning more discipline with time and taking care of myself. I've also learned about everything from cleaning food to safety to culture and religi0n to living as a follower and reaching



out in a creative access country like this. The staff and our team have gotten to spend a lot of time bonding, learning, and experiencing life in Base Country together. We are growing in unity and love for each other (Ps@lm 133:3; J0hn 13:34-35); We are getting to know one another better and how we can best encourage and serve each other. Thank Him! We are also able to go out in the community regularly and take Him with us into the dark places. We meet and interact with people as we go about daily activities like shopping in the marketplace or getting coffee.

Friendships

My team is also trying to be intentional about meeting people and building relationships. We're slowly forming some friendships though. One friend the girls met is an older lady who talked to us as she walked for exercise. Another waited on us at a coffee shop. My team is also building stronger relationships with friends that staff have established. Thank Him! I am so excited to have friends here and connect with
 Seeing an elephant

people despite vast differences in culture! They are so sweet. They sometimes give us gifts of food or cook dinner for us. Soon our friend H will show us how to cook a special soup, which I am looking forward to. We are here to show them His love, but we are often humbled by their kindness and how they help and take care of us. They don't even know it, but the Father uses them the ble55 to us. Also, one staff member recently had the opportunity to present a friend with the good news; she has been interested in heart matters for a while. Please ask that P would understand, the seed would grow, and she would accept His offer.

Visiting the Unre@ched

We recently traveled the country for over a week visiting 7 different minority groups of tribal people. We walked to some and rode to others. The Father really stirred my heart as I rode through the beautiful mountains and all He has made, the wind in my face. My heart was stirred for the people I saw as well. I wanted to just stop and tell them the good news right then; but I couldn't. Maybe one day, but for the time we were there to see, learn, and lift them up.

Some of these tribal groups have been influenced by Pr0testant groups and some by C@tholicism. However, 3 of the tribes are considered "unre@ched," meaning that 2% or less are pr0fessing family members. They don't have the resources to reach their own. One of those 3upneare has never heard the Truth at all as far as we know. Even amongst the other four "re@ched" groups though, none had a pr0fessing family number higher than 5%. And many of these professed family members mix other beliefs such as magic, @nimism, and ancest0r w0rship with their family beliefs. I saw evidence of this in most if not all of the groups we visited, and even saw many cr0sses with the bones of a particular animal they w0rship on them. It is heartbreaking. It seems to me that they view Him as another g0d and not *the* g0d. I wonder how many of the professed body have understood and followed the real Truth. We were also be55ed to spend time with some children in an orphanage.

Back Home

We also got to experience a day of some fun outdoor activities and then some free time in a nice touristy town before returning to what is becoming "home" in a way.

Please continue to lift my team and I up. Please ask the F@ther to bring the right people to us and to work in the hearts of those we already know. Also, please lift up the tribal groups we visited. I am not able to email much here but thank you to those I've heard from, and I'll try to get back to you soon! Thank you for your thoughts and support!



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Meet the Team

Base Town