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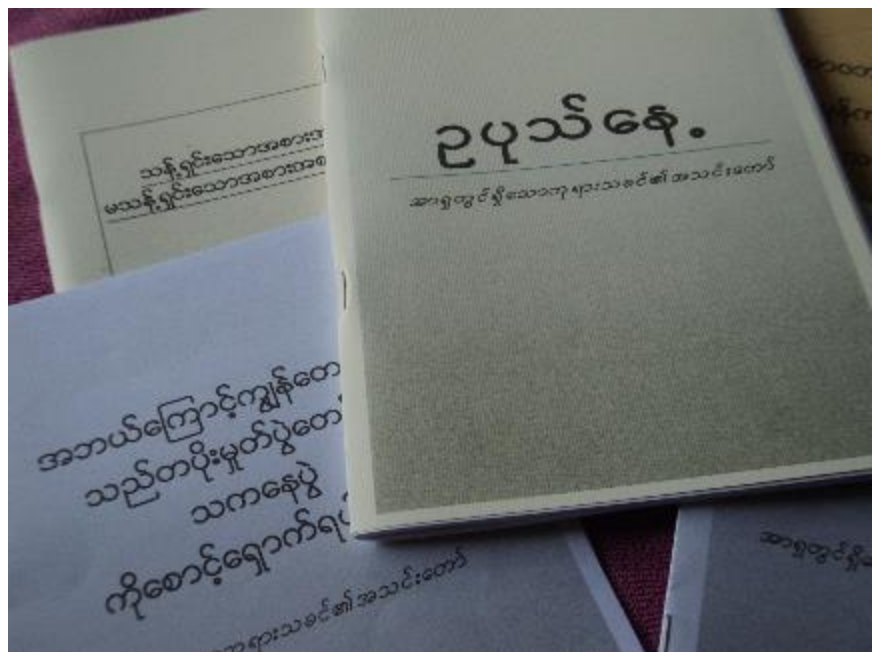
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Booklets recently completed

Dear Friends and Fellow Laborers,

I just finished reading several notes of encouragement sent to Gloria and me from Fellow Laborers who kindly support the Work of God in Asia. I really love to read these notes. Some are even from the elderly on fixed incomes, who encourage us to keep going and keep doing what needs to get done, no matter the hardships we face. It is never easy leaving family and friends and the familiar surroundings of home to live and work in a foreign environment with different government rules, social norms, and alien religious traditions. But Gloria and I have been living here for 14 years now, and we have adjusted as much as possible. I have been blessed to have formally studied the

language and culture of Thailand for three years and to have worked among the Thai and Southeast Asian communities in Los Angeles for several years before coming to Thailand. It really does make a difference to speak and read the Thai language. I wish that I was equally adept at speaking the Burmese language, but I am not. I must rely on translators.



L. to R. Ah Jah and Seng Pan working on translations of booklets

UPDATE OF BURMESE TRANSLATIONS, CHURCH SERVICES AND BOOKLETS

It is a great blessing that we have Legacy Institute graduates and students to whom we have taught English who have also been formally educated in the Burmese language. They are able now to help us in interpreting for church services and translating doctrinal booklets. God is doing a growing work in Myanmar (Burma) and providing the workers for the fields. It is our job to train them in English language, the true doctrines of the Bible, and leadership principles. This is not an easy job; and both Gloria and I are overwhelmed

with more and more work. But the prayerful support and encouragement of our fellow laborers back home and abroad keep us pumped up and going forward.

Since the last letter, we have completed two more new booklets in the Burmese language to distribute when Gloria and I go to Burma for the Feast of Trumpets. We now have Burmese language booklets about the Sabbath, clean and unclean meats, God's annual holy days, the Feast of Trumpets, and the Day of Atonement. The Church is growing in Burma, and we lack shepherds to take care of them. However, God is in charge! We have three young men, all students at Legacy, who are presently in central Burma fighting off the wolves.

UPDATE ABOUT FIGHTING OFF WOLVES

One of our students, presently in Burma, is Seng Aung. He is from Kachinland in the far North. His home town is called Na Mawn, near a great inland lake called Indawgyi. Na Mawn is where I first preached the **true gospel** of the Kingdom of God for the first time in Burma. There is a small Church of God congregation there but they are pastor-less. HtooMya (Tommy) Shwe is accompanying Seng Aung there to visit our Church of God brethren. Now MoPaLey, (our student who went home for his father's funeral), who is from Jawk Taing, is conducting Sabbath services in his home town while the other two are in Kachinland.

These young men stay in contact with me by Skype (sometimes works) or by email (usually works).

The young men tell me that this experience of "getting thrown in at the deep end" makes them crave learning the truth of the Bible even more. When they get back to Legacy, they will be ready to learn all they possibly can.

I describe what they are doing as "fighting off the wolves" because that is exactly what they are doing. The Church in Burma is under attack by apostate false shepherds who seek to teach the same spiritual cancer that decimated the Worldwide Church of God—and wolves will continue attacking each and every Sabbath keeping congregation and church organization in existence today. Satan never sleeps and he never changes his tune. The attacks follow the same pattern. Satan finds someone in leadership and leads them astray on some small point of doctrine. This person or persons, begin to publicly

question the faith that was once delivered. This begins to drive the wedge of deception and destruction. It is always the weak and/or defenseless that are targeted. Sometimes these are those weak in the faith and sometimes they are those new to the church. Doctrinal error is like leavening. Once it starts to grow in any church congregation, it spreads! It is usually based on emotion and the twisting of scripture.

Here are just a couple of e-mails recently sent to me from two of our Legacy students in Burma doing God's work in caring for the sheep.

Quote by **Seng Aug** in recent email to me:

Tomorrow evening Htoo mya {Tommy¹} and I will go to Na Mawn and we will return to Taungoo Aug 25 Sunday. Moe Palay will be preach in Kyawk Taing Church. Also Htoo Mya {Tommy} will preach Aug 24 in Na Mawn Church. Don't worry about Kyawk Taing Church, because GOD takes care HIS sheep. The fox will take care of his black sheep. Thank you Aj {teacher} Leon May GOD bless you and your family. Don't worry about for Kyawk Taing Church. From Gum Seng Aung

Quote from **Tommy Shwe** in recent email to me:

I am so happy to meet with my friends, they are my energy. Now we three {Tommy, Seng Aung and Moe Paley} are doing well. The Sabbath service is going well. We try to visit every member of sheep in Kyauk Taing area. Yesterday, we three went to church members that live beside a big river very far from Kyauk Taing village. When Saw Htoo Saw {former pastor – now deceased} was alive he went there and preached the Gospel so two of family are believers but they couldn't go to Kyauk Taing after Saw Htoo Saw died and our family left to Thailand. When we were meeting, we were praying. After that we crossed the river with a boat like a brig to another side of Toungoo and relaxed at Seng Aung's relatives home. Every one listen to us. No people listen to false pastor. When funeral of Moe Paley's father, the fox came but when he know we three are in funeral, he run back so quick because he is a fox. He's afraid of the truth. We want to fight him so much {fight against his false doctrine}. Maybe he will moves to {false} church because when he came, he brought the doctrine of {false} Church and their hymns. I want to phone you and talk a lot but the connection is going very

¹ Htoo Mya Shwe is his Karen Name. We call him "Tommy" because it is easier for us Westerners to pronounce.

badly. Thank you and pray for us. Please keep pray for us. I pray all the time and read the Bible a lot because Jesus teach me to be a good servant. I will meet a lot of temptation so need many prayers. Respectfully. In God's service, Htoo Mya Shwe

I remember when Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong would say that the cancer of Protestantism was already in the Church. I couldn't at that time understand what he was talking about. But he was right! The spirit of iniquity (lawlessness) was already working (see 2 Thessalonians 2:7). He could see it. I could not. It caught most of us by surprise and many were led astray from the truth. That same pattern is now at work in Burma. The difference is that these little church congregations in Burma are very new. We thought we were grounded and unshakable in our faith. We were wrong! The spirit of iniquity has come to the Church in Burma. It is the same old antinomianism that attacked the WCG congregations. It has arrived at the ends of the earth! Apostate pastors are teaching that the Laws of God are "Old Testament," "Jewish," and "done away." They are teaching that it is perfectly alright for a "New Testament Christian" to eat pork and that God is a "Trinity" and not a family. Sound familiar? Ultimately, the Sabbath will be attacked and "any day" will be OK, and finally Sunday worship will be re-introduced. The dog will return to its vomit.

FEAST OF TRUMPETS AND FEAST OF TABERNACLES IN BURMA

Gloria and I will go to strengthen the brethren at Trumpets and prepare for Legacy's first Feast of Tabernacles in Burma. Since they have no pastors to teach them at regular Sabbath Services, the only time they can receive concentrated Bible teaching is on the annual holy days. This year Gloria and I held services in Burma every day at Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread. We returned and gathered the brethren together for Pentecost. We will now hold an official Feast of Tabernacles and gather the brethren to keep the Feast and receive spiritual food every day for eight days. However, Gloria and I will not be able to go to Burma for the FOT. We have to take care of the Feast site in Thailand. It will be up to the Church of God deacon Myo Zaw and the three Legacy students (Tommy Shwe, Seng Aung, and Moe Paley), to take care of the brethren and preach each day. This is a big, big job—even for an experienced Pastor, let alone one deacon and three inexperienced Legacy students!

They desperately need our prayers.

1Peter 3:12

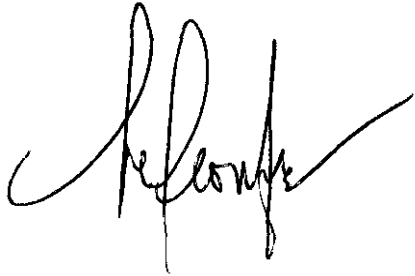
For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers:

Please remember these young boys; also remember Gloria and me, that God bless our journey, the Feast of Trumpets, and the preparations for the Feast of Tabernacles in Burma.

Thanking you all for your faithful and consistent prayers and help, without which this part of God's Holy Work would not be done.

Wherever you may be, have a great and inspiring Trumpets, Atonement, Feast of Tabernacles, and Last Great Day, by discerning their deep meanings in God's wondrous plan for us and all mankind! God's Kingdom Come!

In Jesus' Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Leon Sexton', with a large, stylized initial 'T' and a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

T. Leon Sexton

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