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Family of GumSengAung. L.to R.: NawNaw, SengPan, Blessing, and SengAung.

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Dear Friends and Fellow Laborers,

Our recent trip to Myanmar (Burma) for Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread was a great success. However, it turned out to be a difficult trip for me.



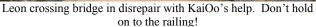
First holy day: After offering, Ian Stewart (R.) gives sermon as SengMai (2009, Legacy grad, & now going to SDA University) translates.



2016, Legacy grad StelinShwe gives sermon in Burmese and some English for us foreigners.

It was a great success because we were able, with God's help, to accomplish all we set out to do. We were accompanied by Ian and Julia Stewart (a brother and sister team from Texas, who are volunteer teachers at Legacy school in Thailand). Ian was of great assistance because he could give sermons. Joining him in that service for nine days were the pastor of the Jawk Tang (Kyawk Taing) congregation, Seng Aung, and another Legacy graduate, Stelin Shwe.







L.to R.: SengAung, KhawnYe, TooMar, and Victor carrying the almost daily loads from Taungoo Market.

I was able to conduct the Passover ceremony and give a sermon on the last holy day. Temperatures were at least 110 Fahrenheit every day and there is no air conditioning at the church compound in Jawk Tang in the jungle-covered mountains east of Taungoo. I have a chronic condition called "heart failure," which means my heart pumps at only about 60% of what it should. Under stress, my lungs, legs, and other parts of my body begin to fill up with water. My legs began to develop water blisters and Gloria had to doctor my legs every day. The walk up the trail to the village and a day in the heat at the church was too stressful on my heart. So, I was relegated to staying in Taungoo in the air-conditioned hotel room, except for Passover and the last holy day. It was disappointing; but I must be mindful of my health issues in order to last as long as the King of Kings wants me to serve Him here in Asia.



Gloria's pic of TooMar in sidecar on way to Taungoo Market—then Gloria hopped in the back seat behind TooMar.



TooMar paying for special veggies and fruits. What is not on the photo are the many odors of every kind—some good—some not good.



Lady carrying her load.

Before the Passover, we baptized an elderly gentleman who has been faithfully attending. He lost part of his leg in a land mine explosion, but gets around quite spryly on his wooden leg.



L. to R.: SengAung asking the important questions to SawSayPoh, and StelinShwe to make sure all goes totally under.



Waiting to watch baptism: L.to R.: ???????? CherryO, PalehKoo, and EhHtoo.



Front to Back: PawHtaSay with son, Jerzing, NawDawDaw, AhMee, TooMar with hat.



Sisters—LuLu and second-year Legacy student KhawnYe with NawNaw.



Congregating for observing the baptism of SawSayPoh. Then there is a ten minute walk back to the church compound. The elderly will get a motorcycle ride.



Returning for laying on of hands: SengAung on motorcycle with his son NawNaw and NawDawDaw (Mother of MoPalel who is translating in Chiang Mai)







Leon lays hands on SawSayPoh.



SengAung translates Passover Service for Leon

On the last holy day, I ordained Seng Aung as an elder in the Church of God. He has been working as a "student" pastor for two years. Both he and his wife have proven they are dedicated to the work of Jesus Christ and are able to take care of a congregation of Jesus' sheep. He has fulfilled the requirements of an elder according to Timothy and Titus. Seng Aung and his wife, Seng Pan, are both graduates of Legacy school in Thailand and will continue in their duties as a pastor-and-wife team.

We had 24 in attendance at Passover and 50 on each of the holy days. The Church is growing in Myanmar and we will certainly need more trained men and women to serve as pastors and wives in new congregations as they grow.

May God bless Seng Aung and Seng Pan and give them both more of His Holy Spirit to do the job for which they have been called. Please pray for them.

PASSOVER AND UNLEAVENED BREAD IN CHIANG MAI

Once again, Mr. Brian Drawbaugh sacrificed time off from his business in Pennsylvania to come over to Thailand and officiate at the Passover and give sermons every day during Unleavened Bread. Ten were gathered in Chiang Mai for the Passover. Brian's help allowed Gloria and me to go to Burma for the spring feast days.

"Mr. Brian", as he is called here in Thailand, has been to Legacy numerous times. He is well known and loved by the Legacy graduates, students, and local members who have come to know him over the years.



Mr. Brian Drawbaugh



Chiang Mai Thailand. Some of the brethren during the Days of Unleavened Bread. Front Row: EhKaNayHtoo Second Row: Translator AhJar, translator MoPalel, and the Bair family (Tesha with Nathaniel and Ginger, Natania and Daniel. Third Row: HtooMyaShwe, JoHtoo, NawMya, and Utaiwan Han.

SUPPORT FOR HOLDING THE SPRING HOLY DAYS

Thank you again for all your incredible support so that we can hold the Passover and Unleavened Bread for seven days—with not only the special daily spiritual food—but the wonderful physical food as well, which is so needed to replenish some of their diets. Not only Gloria and I, but all of our brethren, both in Thailand and in Myanmar, are so very appreciative of your care and backing/assistance in this part of Asia. If you would like to see more, please click on the links below for some videos or visit http://www.legacyinstitute.org.

In Jesus' service,

T. Leon Sexton



Youth singing special music



To ride or not to ride



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Older youth singing



Market run



All youth singing



Stellin directing music