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L to R: Leon and Gloria, TPY Charungjit Teekara (Principal Private Secretary to Queen Sirikit the Queen Mother), Manorah, Chanisa, Bronson, and the eleven-year old fish-tail actor. (Please see page 7.)

Dear Beloved FAITHFUL Brethren and FAITHFUL Fellow Laborers,

PRAISE BE TO GOD FOR HIS LOVE, MERCIES, and KINDNESSES TOWARD ALL OF US!

THANKS BE TO THE ALMIGHTY FOR HIS CARE AND PROVISIONS ALWAYS!

WE WILL PRAISE AND THANK HIM FOREVER AND EVER!!!

Why do we start our letter to all of you in this way? Because Leon and I have not written to you for over six months; and yet you have continued to be blessed by God to remain constant in your prayers, service, and sacrifices for the work of God in the areas He has given us to serve. THANK YOU!!! We do not have the time to tell you of the miracles when the monies were sooooo low and then suddenly at the last minute it was there in the bank! Undoubtedly, from your own experiences, you know

exactly what Leon and I are talking about. December was an emergency month being able to wire only one third of our needs. So, we pray!

We all have gone through significant changes the last 3 years that will continue in the great "reset" of this world. But we look with continued hope to our Savior's greatest RESET and soon-coming King to set all things new. Revelation 21:5 says, "And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.' And he said unto me, 'Write: for these words are true and faithful.' "God is preparing you and me as His kings and priests! "And has made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth" (Rev. 5:10). AND, Rev. 1:6 says, "And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen." Please check out for yourselves the World Economic Forum (WEF) website. Also check out YouTube, especially about the right-hand man of Klaus Schwaab, Noah Harari. The god of this world has a plan and our Lord Jesus Christ has a plan.

When Solomon was the son of David, he was being prepared to take the throne. We are no different today being made ready to rule as kings and priests with Jesus as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. FATHER, PLEASE MAKE US READY IN YOUR SON'S NAME!

The last time we wrote to you was the Passover, when just before that, the angels in heaven were singing because seven were baptized in Jawk Taing by Seng Aung the local pastor. Now the fall feast season is also past and we look forward to all those fall feasts in their future fulfillment. Not only for our change that WILL COME, but the devil—the god of this world—will be chained and unable to influence his desires of evil, hatred, and insanity against our great and awesome, glorious Father God and Jesus Christ His Son.

Fall Holy Days

Together, with our brethren doing the same the world over, we too kept the fall holy days in Burma and Thailand. Seng Aung used Zoom so we could be connected on the high days. One day we will all be together with billions of others that God will finally call to Himself!

God's plan of great expectation and anticipation is preparing us for His future in advance. God does this through His fall festivals that we have just faithfully kept.



Feast of Tabernacles 1st day via Zoom with our Yangon Brethren. L to R. front row: Daw Nyunt Nyunt Shwe, Daw Yin Myan, Ruth Khin Mar Yee, Mornica, U.Myo Zaw, Rebecca Hmway Hmway Aye, and Tu Mar. Back row: Victor Zin Maung Zaw, David Ye Gyan, and Judah Kaung Pyae Sone.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **Wherefore comfort one another with these words.**" (I Thes. 4:16-17).

Ultimately, as Jesus said at His very own last Feast of Tabernacles "on that Greatest Day of the Feast" (John 7:37, Jewish Translation), whoever is thirsty can come to Him and drink! They will never thirst and in them will be a well of water into eternal life (John 4:14). Our awesome HOPE!



Via Zoom. Our Jawk Taing brethren (46) with pastor Seng Aung, Seng Pan, and Ja Seng Ing on her lap on far left.



Chiang Mai via Zoom. L to R Back row: Sisters Lotte and Famke Weegerink, and Ganya. Center: Norah, Eh Tu, Utaiwan Han, Jo Tu, and Naw Mya. Front: Gloria and Leon.

This year Leon and I had a special feast with all of our grandchildren. Our two granddaughters, Norah and Ganya asked if they could bring their best girlfriends, Famke and Lotte, to stay at the hotel with us. Before we said anything they said they would all agree to take part in church services. Even though these days we were keeping were new to them, they had a most joyous time together. Maybe one day in the future they all will remember a few days that will spark a memory.

Just before the Feast, Chiang Mai had torrential rains and the Ping River overflowed its banks. The flooding took place near the feast site. But by the start of the feast, the areas were safe and cleaned of debris. Even the small river vein that runs in front of our old farmhouse was rising with some concerns we left behind in God's care—and then all was over. We finally moved back into that home on the 15th of September. It was the Legacy office for several years. We have not even unpacked yet due to many continued responsibilities. Numerous brethren we talk with seem to be also over the top in the challenges of life.



Ready for Zoom: Famke, Norah, Lotte, and Ganya.



Some of the faithful in Na Mawn that also Zoomed with us. L to R: Ngai Nu and her daughter San Mai, Ah Jar, Ah Htang, and Lashi Naw. Notice that San Mai's T-shirt says "ENJOY."



Preparing Feast food to ENJOY! L to R: May Su Taung Pyi, Zar Ni Hlaing and Htu Seng.

Newly Built Office for Seng Aung

We are so happy that Seng Aung now has a quiet space to write, prepare his weekly Sabbath sermons, and make his regular videos without all the outside disturbances—even the winds and rains, and not least the children playing and running around him so that he could not concentrate. This was a great need! He designed a small 8X5 foot room attached to the upper story of their home which he calls the "stereo" or "studio room." Seng Aung wrote in their report: "Many people are watching our COG page video sermon. That is one way to share the gospel, which your donations made possible." There are now two windows and a door and it is quite soundproof. He said he will build his bookshelves. Legacy Thailand is saving books for him, but now is not the time to travel across the border. The wood is named "iron steel wood," which is a first-class wood he still had left from the food-hall that Mr. Earl Romer had given. Pan Aung and Copa helped Seng Aung build it in less than a month.

Summary of Ongoings in Burma

We have summarized recent reports from pastor Seng Aung and his wife Seng Pan.



the upper stereo room



the inside of Seng Aung's office

The Sabbath service plan was changed. Usually, they had the youth program after the Sabbath. Now they have it immediately after church services with a snack break. This way the adults are also able to join in. Surprise gifts are given when questions are answered correctly from the sermon. All are happy about this and the hope is that they will listen carefully and keep the truth in their hearts.

The government and SDA schools opened in July, but only a few students are attending. Some parents are afraid for their children, so the students are just staying home or learning privately or online. Nearby, the SDA school used to have 400 students but now has increased to 700. At our church compound, Kyaut Tai Home School goes from kindergarten to grade four. Seng Pan has the government school books to go from. In all, there are 27 students. Hkawn Ye and Sal Nay Paw are doing well and are still teaching their classes. Only a small amount of tuition is paid by those who are not attending any school. Teachers and students are happy and healthy. Schools will close for the year-end break.



Jum Pan Aung, Sal Nay Paw with Joshua, and Seng Aung.

In Jawk Taing, Pan Aung's wife Sal Nay Paw delivered their first born baby boy. He was named Joshua and was blessed on a Sabbath soon after by Seng Aung.

Seng Aung made several visits in Burma. He visited our Yangon church brethren for the Sabbath giving the sermon and also needed encouragement. Difficult times are everywhere.

Seng Aung went to Myitkyina, the capital of Kachinland, to meet with Sum Lutt Seng Aung's family. You may remember that we

have asked for prayers in past letters. Two of their children were born right here in Chiang Mai. The eldest Surachai is now working in town for his great aunt. Seng Aung encouraged them and anointed S. L. Seng Aung, who has been sick for a long time. This year the doctors finally diagnosed him correctly with Lupus, which has been so debilitating. His wife Seng Hpa takes care of him with patience. The church helps him with medicine, physical therapy, and hospital expenses. This is made possible by your donations, for which we all are most grateful!



L to R: Gum Seng Aung, Sum Lutt Seng Aung, Caleb, Seng Moon, and Seng Hpa.

Seng Aung met with Seng Htun (also a former Legacy student) in Myitkyina, where his wife and two little daughters live. They are doing well. Seng Htun does gold mining around the area. Now it is not a good time for working in the Jade Mine due to serious military dangers.



Seng Aung with Seng Htun Next, Seng Aung visited his hometown in Na Mawn to update his ID card and keep the

Sabbath with our brethren. He also met with Lashi Naw, who is not an elder, but oversees faithfully this small group each Sabbath and on holy days, when all Zoom together in Burma and Chiang Mai, Thailand. Seng Aung and Lashi Naw had good, positive discussions. Lashi Naw, though quite a bit older than Seng Aung, was willing to come under Seng Aung, and all the church brethren from there were also willing to do that. (Remember that age is very important in Asian culture! In the western world, age does not usually matter if one is assigned and able to do the job.) Please pray for God's help in working together. Even when the distances are far, Zoom brings us together until we can once again meet for the Feast of Tabernacles.



Clockwise: Toi San, Grandmom Hkawn HPang (holding Seng Mai's baby and happy to have all three Children—Seng Aung, Seng Mai, and AhJar—home); San Ma, Ah Htang, Gum Hkawng Aung, Jadup Sut Du, Seng Aung, Lashi Naw, Gum Jat Naw, Ngai Nu, Seng Mai, Ah Jar with her baby Myo Dan Hkawn.

Also, you will remember, on their church land, the artesian well which they call "living tap water" is still working great and all the neighbors can use this water and are quite happy!



Baby Sut Seng Hpring with his father Gum Ja.

Seng Aung's sister, Seng Mai had a baby boy last August, named Sut Seng Hpring. She just went back to her hometown, as did her sister, Ah Jar, and family (due to many military activities in the Jade Land area). In Burma the military news is hot; one keeps hearing gunfire—even in their home towns; but God has kept them all safe.



Copa with firstborn new male calf in December on church compound.

A firstborn male calf was delivered on the Jawk Taing church property. Copa and Pan Aung, who do maintenance for the church, also care for the animals. As this calf grows, we will know better how to best use him.

We give thanks to God and pray for continued blessings upon the churches, not only in Burma and Thailand, but upon all the churches of God around the world.

Burma Coup

Please continue to pray for Burma and all our brethren and their families. Travel is not always safe, gunshots are heard almost everywhere, and military activity has not waned. In addition to Burma, also remember all the hotspots on our globe. Things are intensifying in many areas. Stay strong, hold fast no matter what, and our hope will come to pass at Jesus' return!

Garden in Chiang Mai

Legacy is trying a different approach to gardening and the growing of produce. Instead of large plots of one kind, we are growing more variety in fewer amounts. This method is called permaculture and Bronson will oversee this project. We have, with great help from Stelle and JoHtoo, dug the trenches, to naturally give water to the mounds with much mulch to contain the moisture. We are now getting lots of red long beans, chilis, bananas, limes, passion fruit and papayas, and just today, the gourds are coming on. The land rest was over on Trumpets. Throughout the Sabbath year, we ate off the land a bit here and there—especially passion fruit, and lamyai (longan).

Her Majesty Queen Sirikit, The Queen Mother, Continues to Re-Invent the Khon



L to R: Gloria, Leon, TPY Pharani Mahanonda (Private Secretary to the Queen Mother), Norah, Jib, Bronson, and Ganya prior to performance.

We had the honor again by royal invitation to come to the Khon gala performance right after the Feast to see "The Battle of Maiyarap." As well, for the first time, our son Bronson, his wife Chanisa, and their two daughters Manorah (15) and Galaya (14) were also invited. We all dressed in our best Thai finery for our own presentation. This event also celebrated Her Majesty's 90th birthday and the 70th birthday of His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn, who opened the Khon the evening before on Friday night.

At one time, the Khon was a special traditional spectacle afforded to only a few—at least until Her Majesty began asking the Thais and Farang (foreign) friends to enjoy this ancient tradition. Two hundred years ago, one might have heard of it being only a royal event, or maybe a trusted retainer.

This dying Khon was revived by Queen Sirikit, as she did with so many traditional arts. Today, Tanpuying Charungjit Teekara, the Queen Mother's Principal Private Secretary, is the Executive Producer and Chairman of the Khon.

What is Khon? It is a musical play that comes from the Indian "Ramayana" or the Thai "Ramakian." The players are local, highly-skilled, and trained Thais dressed in special ornate costumes with particularly crafted masks to differentiate the ancient players. It is accompanied by a band playing ancient instruments and recited by live orators. The plays are about the adventures of the gods in the heavens and hells and their constant battles and affairs. This time, Maiyarap casts a spell sedating Phra Ram's army, abducts him, and imprisons him in the Underworld. Well, it seems from the beginning of time—has anything changed in the spiritual battles of good and evil? One day there will be only good, with no more wars *forever*!

Last, but not least, we were given seats of honor. Sadly missed, Queen Sirikit was not there and stayed in the hospital. Princess Sirindhorn, the queen's daughter, presided and our adult family was in the front row to see Her Royal Highness come in and take her place on the throne. Norah and Ganya were sitting right behind us with Tanphuying Pharani Mahanonda, the private secretary to the queen. What an honor! Let us be HIS lights!

Ten Principles for Worldwide Climate Repentance¹

You may have heard of the plan that occurred on the weekend of the 18th of December, in which leaders of the major religious faiths came together in Israel and other areas around the world. The original plan was to have this take place on Jabal Musa, which many believe to be Mount Sinai. Though it is on our Bible maps, it is not the same as Mt. Sinai in Arabia stated by Paul (Galatians 4:25). At any rate, the government of Egypt did not permit it for security reasons.

God already gave us the responsibility to take care of what He gives to us. God told Adam and Eve at the very beginning to "dress and keep it." Though most of these Ten Principles for Climate Repentance are, of and by themselves, good for our globe (see footnote below), what does the future hold as these are implemented? Stick to the Word of God because He tells us where all this leads in Bible prophecies—ONE-WORLD RELIGION AND ONE-WORLD GOVERMENT. "Watch... and pray always" is what we are urged to do and stay close to God as He leads, molds, and prepares us for His Kingdom.

<u>UPDATE from Amy Vierra on Her Son Isaac</u>²

"Thank you for your prayers for Isaac's recovery! He had his last surgery on August 8, 2022, to debulk his thumb from the flap surgery in February 2021. We have been working with the CEO of one of the prosthetic companies to redesign his body powered prosthetic device, so that it's functional. We went through 6-8 iterations of the device over the past year and just recently received a version that Isaac is able to use. It's been a challenge for him waiting this long, but it's a blessing to finally have it. He is now able to lift heavier things with this device. The myoelectric device he received earlier this year is designed for light duty activities, so having both



Isaac Vierra in physical therapy.

¹ Multifaith leaders to gather in Israel and around the world for 'climate repentance' | The Times of Israel

² Legacy is footnoting GoFundMe where donations can be made: Fundraiser for Amy Vierra by May Waon: Isaac Needs Your Help (gofundme.com)

devices gives him a lot more functionality. There were challenges associated with getting this design right. We'd like to thank you for your prayers for inspiring the engineers and for their tenacity to work with us over the past year. Thank you for all of your prayers and support!"

PRAYERS NEEDED for HRH Princess Bajrakitiyabha³ Princess "Pa" collapsed of a heart problem while walking her dog for training. It was recently announced that she is on life support and all of us are hoping for a miracle. She is dearly loved. She has several law degrees and was Ambassador to Austria. All Thailand is hopeful and coming daily to pay their respects at the hospital.

Bronson Sexton

Our family has been here so many years and Bronson has been married to a Thai national for 17 years. He and his wife Chanisa (Jib) have served Legacy well since the beginning of our school when we came under the Ministry of Culture. We closed the school due to all the government changes in 2016 and, along with that, came more expenses. At the same time, Leon had another stroke. So there has been more reliance on Bronson and Jib. We are praying that God will reveal if it's His will for Bronson to become a Thai citizen, and we ask for your prayers as well. Certainly, much of the paperwork and extraordinary time required to complete it would be alleviated. Should Bronson be granted Thai citizenship, time and monies for the foundation will be saved. Living in a foreign country can have many difficulties with constant yearly government changes. We can't even begin to tell you about the immigration paperwork and visits for past teachers, students, and the administration. For our Burmese students, it was even more challenging due to waiting in lines or sleeping in those lines in mosquito nets from midnight until the office(s) would open. We don't pay corruption money under the table. There are many stories to tell—not least all the miracles for everyone here at Legacy!

Reminder about ZELLE for Donations

Zelle has been a blessing and more are using it to make free donations directly to Legacy Institute Chase account. After enrolling with Zelle from your bank, all one needs to enter is my email: gloriasexton7@hotmail.com. There are no charges. This is very convenient and the transfer takes just minutes. Attention: For a first-time donation via Zelle it is best **not** to send a large amount due to pending time for security. So only send in \$5.00. which happens quickly. If you want to send more you can do immediately again and the transfer will be quick.

We will end this letter with a quote from Seng Aung and Seng Pan of Burma: "Thank you so much for praying for Myanmar and every single one who supported and donated for Legacy. We are praying for church brethren from all around the world. Thank you again for the sermon outlines, Mr. Vince Szymkowiak and Mr. David Dobson. They were so much encouragement for us. Thank you, Mr. Dave, and Denise for Zooming with us! Thank you, Church of God Tulsa, OK, who continues to support faithfully the Jawk Taing Youth Program. May God bless every one of you more".

Let's all hang in there together in our highs and lows . . . because we will never be forsaken! God be with all of you—bless and keep all of you—till we meet at the second coming of our Lord, the Savior of the world, as His plan continues for all His creation!

In Christian love,

Leon and Gloria Sexton

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³ Bajrakitiyabha - Wikipedia