

Asian Mission for Christ

2019 Year-End Update

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Dear friends and supporters of Asian Mission for Christ,

January 22, 2020

Enclosed you will find updates on the various aspects of our ministry, including a letter from Ahpu on LBI and his and the other native missionaries' work, and an update on the Children's Home. Year-end giving receipts are also included for tax filing purposes. We are all so grateful for your continued support of the important work being done through AMC!

2019 was a year of steady movement for AMC. The Lisu Bible Institute continued in its second year since re-opening. Our Children's Home continued to provide full support for three children. Ahpu was able to visit many churches and supporters during the summer of 2019 while he was in the States for his daughter, Lois', college graduation. Additionally, some of the leadership of AMC attended a mission's fair at Westerville Christian Church, where we set up a table with information about AMC and shared with church members about the purpose of our mission. This was a great opportunity!

We want to sincerely thank you all for another year of prayer and financial support of AMC. You each play a vital role in the work being done! Please continue to pray for AMC as we venture into 2020. We look forward to continuing to partner with you to advance Christ's kingdom!

In Christ,

The AMC Leadership Team
(Ben & Tiffany Weller, Jeremiah & Alison Nguapha,
Jason & Jenise Potter, George & Mary Potter)

Dear Christian friends and supporters of AMC,

January 9, 2020

I thank you and greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank God and you all for your faithful prayers and financial support for our ministry that includes supporting Lisu Bible Institute (LBI) and native missionaries throughout Southeast Asia where they are needed most. The Lord is good to us and taking care of us and giving us another year of life to serve Him with you.

All Nguapha family members are doing well. We are all rejoicing with Jeremiah and Alison for their new baby Ezekiel. The Lord is good to Jeremiah and Alison and gave them a baby boy. Praise be to God. I am very excited to meet him in person soon.

LBI is going well. LBI's rice is already harvested. LBI has enough rice to feed the students the next couple of school years. During the 2019 school year several students did not come back for the second semester, because they were not able to keep up with their classes. LBI now has eight full-time students and one part-time student. The part-time student is a music teacher for LBI and also a preacher at a Lahu (tribe) church in a local village. We're grateful to have him. There are currently four teachers this semester: Thufusa, Zechariah, Noah, and me. During this semester, we hosted a Lisu Christian leader from China for three weeks. He took all classes at LBI during his stay. I took him to several Thanksgiving celebrations in the villages. If the Lord wills, he would like to return in the future and take more Bible classes at LBI. Please, keep him and his ministry in China in your prayers.

During Christmas season, LBI students and teachers went to participate at several Christmas celebrations. One celebration was at a village located three-hour drive from LBI. The students performed choir and music at the celebration. I went there to preach two Christmas sermons. Each celebration lasts for three days and three night. Christians from many churches gather to celebrate Christmas together. This consists of performing musical talent to worship, listen to Christmas sermons, and fellowship with other Christians among other activities. It is a special time of the year to be reminded the love of God through the birth of Jesus Christ.

Besides teaching at LBI, I am working on revision of the Lisu Bible. This revision project is being worked on at the request of Lisu Christians from China. Because it is difficult to send Bibles into the country, they want to print the Bible in China so that they can freely distribute to the Lisu Christian in China. So far, I am on the book of Joshua. It will take more time to complete the whole revision. Please, keep this project in your prayer.

On the weekends I also teach Bible to a group of adult Lisu Christians on Saturdays at LBI from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Any of them are elders, deacons, and evangelists from nearby Lisu churches. There is a lack of training materials in our own language. These people have a great hunger to continue to learn more about the bible, and they attend our training sessions faithfully.

When the opportunity arises, I also teach at short-term Bible training seminars throughout other parts of Thailand and Burma. In early October I went to Myitkyina, northern Burma, for a week of Bible training at Shwi-Nyo-Pi Church. Two other teachers from Putao, northern most point of Burma, also came for the training at Shwi-Nyo-Pi. For a week, I taught two hours every morning and one hour in the evening. The other two teachers from Putao taught in the afternoons. There were more than sixty people attending training sessions every day. Several preachers, elders, deacons, Sunday school teachers, and worship leaders attended from all over the country.

In late October, Thufusa and I went to Three-Mountain Lisu village in Shan State, Burma. One of the LBI graduate, Jay-Wu, is starting a new Lisu church. He has ten Christian families in the village. The village has no electricity, and AMC helped him purchase a generator for electricity for the church. The church is a good location for short term Bible training center for the Lisu Christians in that area. When we were there the church celebrated Thanksgiving, and I spoke at the celebration.

Last month, the church celebrated Christmas with several Lisu churches in the area. Jay-Wu just got married early last year and is now expecting a baby. Please keep him in your prayer. He is one of our native missionaries that we support.

In Thailand, I taught at two Lisu Christian leadership training seminars in September. The first seminar was at Boneo Lisu Church in Chiangmai. 15 trainees attended traveling from China and Eastern Burma. They were all Christian leaders. I taught them three full days from 8:00am to 3:00pm. At the end of the seminar I gave them all books and training resources I have written over the years.

The second seminar was at Bethany Lisu Church. At this training there were more than 50 Christian leaders from various areas of Thailand. I taught there three full days from 8:30am to 3:00pm. I enjoyed teaching them and we had a good time.

All other native missionaries are serving faithfully. Thank you for your prayer and financial support for them. Charlie, Wuzziah, and Thomas are teaching at Myitkyina Christian Seminary (MCS). MCS has about 46 students. Charlie is teaching Pastoral epistles and the book of James. His wife recently died, but he is still serving faithfully. Wuzziah is teaching Prophets, Life of Christ, and the book of Revelation. His mother-in-law died last year, and his father-in-law is currently very sick. But he too is continuing to serve the Lord faithfully. Thomas is teaching World Religions, Basic Theology, and New Testament Theology. Ngwalisi is teaching at Bethany Bible School (BBS). BBS has about 83 students. He is teaching Hermeneutics and the book of Hebrews. Jay-Ki is teaching at Eastern Bible Institute (EBI) in Burma. EBI has more than a hundred students. He is teaching Parables, Wisdom Literature, and Church History. Please keep them all in your prayers.

In His Service,

Ahpu Nguapha

Ahpu and Acha Nguapha

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am sending my greetings to every one of our supporters, in the name of our Lord Savior and Jesus Christ. We all are doing well through your powerful prayers and support.

First of all, we are thankful to our God for His protection and providing many blessings this year. We are also so thankful to those who have committed to help and to support our ministry. We can't do anything without your supporting and contributions, so we are grateful for your giving and generous support each month and every year. Every amount of your support is very helpful in providing the daily needs for the kids. You brought hope for them and much happiness in their lives. Thank you so much for your kindness.

This past summer we built a large covered porch and a second covered area on the side of the house with money which we had earned from our mango farm. It is something that we have wanted for a long time and more convenient for the kid's activities and car parking. This is our preparation and intention to take in more kids if God opens the door for us in the future. We would like and have the space to take in eight more children, but we still need more supporters who have a great willingness to work with us. Please remember it in your prayers.

Otherwise, the last November, I was faced with an accident unfortunately, but God saved me free from danger and everything is going well by the grace of God.

Ahnyi has decided to pause her college studies in order to work and become more independent. She has moved out of the home but is still living nearby. We speak with her regularly and hope she will return to her studies soon. Please keep her in your prayers as she enters this new phase.

This year Arisra will finish middle school and she will begin high school so please pray for her school tuition and expenses. She had registered already for high school, but we will see how much support she needs for her first semester in April.

We have seen many fruits from my ministry in the village as we are preaching, teaching and encouraging faithfully in God. Many people have repented from their sins and accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior. We had a great Christmas celebration at village and new year party at home with the girls.

My wife Warin wakes up early every morning to cook for breakfast for the kids. She is taking care all the kids and helping with them generously. The kids are very happy to go to school every morning, I and my wife are very satisfied that they love to praise God and much improving in their spiritual life.

Please remember in your prayers for Cholada's father because he is very ill. We so very thankful for everything that you give so generously, prayers constantly and your love, your gifts, and your kindness to all of us. We love all of you so much.

May the Lord richly bless all of you.

Yours sincerely,

John Bee



Christmas Celebration and Gathering



LBI Students Harvesting Rice



Jaywu (2015 graduate of LBI) and his wife in front of their newly built Church in Shan State, Burma. The building is still a work in progress.



Native missionary, Thomas, preaching



Leadership/Theology training seminar at Bethany community in Thailand



LBI Students during class



Children's Home Family: from left – Cholada, Ahti, Esther, Ahnyi, David, Arisra, and Warin



Ahpu at China/Burma border for a training seminar



Cholada, Esther, David & Arisra on newly built front