



Newsletter Sept 09

"Serving disadvantaged women and children in Thailand."

Dear Friends,

What an exciting few months we have had here in Thailand! Our projects have kept us all very busy and we have seen some remarkable changes. As you know Refuge Ministries Thailand has many projects set up to serve disadvantaged women and children in Thailand.

Home of the Swallow is a loving home for women and children.

Swallow's Nest is a sewing business providing training & employment to women.

Little Nest Nursery is a childcare for Thai and western children.

The Greenhouse is a guesthouse for adoptive parents to stay in when picking up their new child.

We will be sending out newsletters every few months to keep you updated on our projects and the women and children we are serving here in Thailand. We hope you are blessed by the stories and have a heart to support us in our work.



Blessings from Amanda, Katherine, Apple & all involved with Refuge Ministries Thailand.

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Welcome to our new Home...

We're on the move! With great excitement and anticipation we can welcome you to our new home for 'Home of the Swallow'. We will be moving in officially on October 1st. It is a much bigger home and can fit more women and children plus it is only 2 streets from where we currently live. It has room for 8 women and 8 children plus a live in staff member. It also has room for the sewing business, study area, childcare and large play areas!

Can you help?

We're in need of these items:

Air Conditioner

\$480

(12,000 baht)

Computers

\$560 ea

(14,000 baht each)

Fans x 5

\$40 ea

(1,000 baht each)

Milk & Nappies etc

With any move there are costs involved in buying new fittings and furniture. We really need your help NOW. For a list of items we currently need, please email us to see if you can help.

Donations will be greatly appreciated and are Tax Deductible.

Please look on our website or email

admin@refugeministriesthailand.org

Idea..!

If you have an old laptop or are upgrading, drop it in to one of our sponsors in Sydney, Melbourne etc and we can have it bought over to Thailand!



Sponsorship Opportunities

We would like to give you all the opportunity to bless the lives of some of the women and children living in our Home of the Swallow. This month we have 2 beautiful boys! Sponsorship monies will be used to buy day to day items for the children such as food, milk, immunizations, diapers and also used for their future funds. We will be sure to send you lots of photos and updates on how the boys and their mother's are doing.

[Please email us to sponsor these boys today!](#)



Noah

Noah (left) is a 10 month old hill tribe child. He loves to squeal and dance along to music. He is very close to walking by himself but still needs a little help. He loves to play with water and is just learning to ride a toy car, though his tiny little legs only just touch the ground! Noah's Mum has a Burmese background yet has grown up in Chiang Mai and Bangkok.

Eden

Eden (right) is a gorgeous 8 month old, named after the Garden of Eden. He has been crawling for a month now and has just got his first few teeth. Exploring is fun for him at the moment and he is learning to squeal and make noises. Eden and his Mum are from Bangkok.

\$1
a day



Baptisms

Two girls from Home of the Swallow were recently baptized at a beautiful waterfall in Chiang Mai. Faa & Kae both gave testimonies of how their lives have changed. From a childhood of abuse and neglect, they are now living knowing God's love for them and their child. It was an exciting time for us to see how these young girls lives have changed!



It was a very proud moment for all of us at Home of the Swallow!

Helping the Community

On the August 6th we went to another women and children's project out of Chiang Mai. We helped the women with their gardening and farm work and spent many hours encouraging and helping them. In return we were very blessed with their advice and hospitality. We will continue to reach out to the community and bless other projects on a monthly basis.



Mother's Day in Thailand

Pictures speak louder than words! Look at these great photos of the Mum's & Bub's on Mother's Day. We had a great time painting! All of the Mum's received flower garland's from their children as a sign of love and respect. It was the first Mother's day for most of our women so it was a very emotional and exciting day! Great photos!



Our new arrival... Ung Ing

On September 2nd we were blessed with an addition to our Home of the Swallow family. Kwanchanok and baby Ung Ing come to us from Bangkok and will be staying with us in Chiang Mai. She was warmly welcomed and it is great to have our first baby girl in the home!! We can finally bring out all of the girly dresses that have been stored away for so long.

If you would like to sponsor Ung Ing please contact us.



Off to the Hospital... again

Well the last month has been a very busy to and from the Hospital. We had immunizations and check ups; we had Noah in hospital with pneumonia, Simon in hospital after slipping in the shower and mother Naa in for regular check ups for her cancer. We have fevers almost every day with the constant change in weather, but, THANK FULLY, it now seems we are back on track! Great News!

Little Nest Nursery

The Little Nest Nursery project has been going well and is opened 3 mornings a week. Thai and western children from our projects and from the local village attend and have a great time.

There are lots of activities: singing, dancing, painting, arts, crafts, learning the alphabets etc.

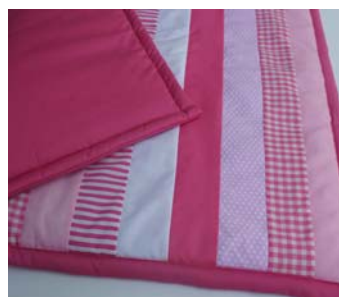


The Greenhouse

The Greenhouse has seen many visitors and guests over the past months. Adoptive families coming to Chiang Mai to pick up their new Thai child have stayed. We were also blessed to have an old foster child from the village come back and visit with his new family for a week. It was a great time to see how great he is doing with his new Canadian family!

Swallow's Nest

Another great few months for Swallow's Nest! The girls have enjoyed designing and sewing new products. We are very proud of their efforts! We have had people from Australia, Canada, America, Denmark etc purchase our products. We were also lucky to be able to bless others in the community by donating warm blankets and clothes to hill tribe and Thai children and families. We will be continuing to do this especially in the lead up to the cooler months over Christmas. **Email us for our brand new product brochure!**



Praise Points:

- Praise God for his provision and support
- Praise God for the volunteers helping our projects with: building maintenance, English, computers, childcare, fundraising and a new website.
- Individuals and organisations supporting the projects.
- Our new House. How exciting!

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for new staff to help us build and bless the projects.
- Pray for continual financial support and provision.
- Pray for all the women and children in the projects.
- Pray for a safe and enjoyable move to the new house.

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