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Report From The Mission Field In India

We are delighted to report to you what the Lord is doing in the mission fields in India. We are deeply grateful for your prayer and support. It is the love of the Lord that has united us to work for the gospel. The mission field activities are fruitful.

There are special ministries like missionary training and the Vacation Bible School amongst others.

Our hearts are filled with joy for the six people who confirmed their faith openly and forty-two who put their trust in the Lord. After much prayer, we were able to buy a piece of land for the construction of a prayer hall in Tamil Nadu state. We are hoping to construct a building very soon.



Missionary Training

The 5th and 6th modules of training has taken place in May and August 2023 at Kodaikanal Hills. A total of 25 staff were in the training. It is continuously bringing wonderful change in the lives of the field staff and growth in their ministry. Our staff are learning to teach new believers to read and understand the bible. The focus is to strengthen them in the Scriptures.



We are glad to inform you that our missionary Bro. Samuel has been ordained in May 2023 as Elder. May the Lord use him mightily.

We seek your prayer and financial support (\$200 AUD per month per national worker) to sponsor a national missionary.

A WORD OF REST



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An ordination day is always a special day for me. It's a day of solemnity and a day of joy. It's an occasion that brings many fond memories of the days that have preceded it. It anticipates days yet to be born. It's a day of beauty. Banners and stoles splash a rainbow of colour. It's also a day of preparation and busyness. I think that's good. Let the busyness of the day be a token of the many busy, busy days of pastoral ministry that wait for those being commissioned for ministry. As busy as the ordination day is, it is not nearly as busy as God was in his first week of activity in our world. He made light where there was darkness. He made dry land appear in the midst of the watery chaos. He sprinkled the heavens with sun, moon and stars. And so on it went. Finally, climatically, he created us in his own image! That's a busy week – even for God! So on the seventh day God rested. He blessed the seventh day and made it a day of rest. Jesus enters the tradition concerning rest. He announces that anyone who comes to him will participate in God's sabbath rest. The rest that is ours in Jesus is not a rest that we earn or achieve or deserve. "I will give you rest." That is Jesus' word. That's the good news of the gospel.

You will read of the busyness of ministry in India, Malaysia, and the Philippines. There are also stories of those coming to Jesus to find rest from weariness and burdens. Finding rest for their souls as they hear and receive the good news of the gospel through the service of AEFI missionaries, evangelists, church planters and teachers. Thank you for your support and prayers. May you find rest in Christ.

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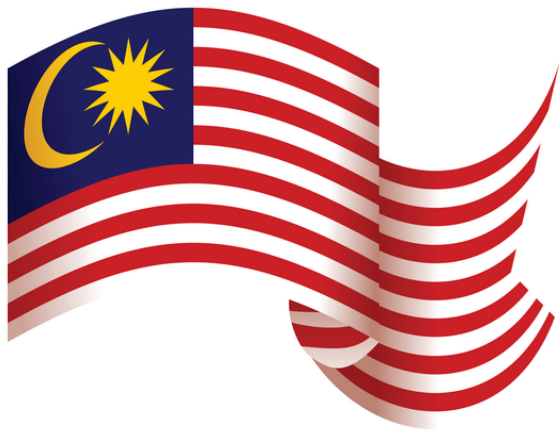
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UPDATE:

SEMAI AND SENOI NATIVES (ORANG ASLI) PAHANG, MALAYSIA



Praise God that He gave us exciting developments to share in this update. We are delighted and praise God that he has provided the completed Lighthouse ministry house as a mission base and hub for His work in the interiors. We are truly thankful to God for His help. This mission base is a ministry centre, training/teaching center and guest house for God's servants who visit this village to minister and to serve among the many Semai and Senoi neighbouring villages in Pahang.



The other neighbouring villages of Ulu Ruai, Hilir Ruai, Ulu Renggol, Kampung Ulu Klang, Kampung Gabang and Pos Batau, all Senoi villages in central Pahang are now being served for the Gospel of Christ.



The centre is also used to uplift the children's literacy to help them learn educational independence. There is also Educational outreach to Ulu Ruai village with 20 plus children of the village. Brother Jeff has been teaching them for the last 6 months faithfully. Pray for the impact of his teaching that many children are motivated to pursue studies. The local Semai's help and assist Brother Jeff to teach and educate the children of Ulu Ruai weekly. Senoi and Semai children received books and study tools through the gifts and blessings of supporters and sponsors. Education is a primary tool to reach out to the villages, besides teaching them Bible stories and Sunday school activities.

Recently I preached the Word of God to the community of faith in the Semalin village.

Ephesians 2:10 reminds us that: "We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."



Please pray for us as we walk steadfastly with Christ in these good works and by doing so motivate, encourage, and exemplify the native believers to also do likewise for the Kingdom of Christ in Malaysia. Thank you so much and God bless!

Warmly in Christ,
Dr Markus Chen

“THE LORD KEPT US FROM TYPHOON EGAY: WE WERE SAFE UNDER HIS WINGS’



Psalm 91

**4 He will cover you with his feathers,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and
rampart.**

“The storm surrounded our village by the sea, the canvas roof of our classroom was blown off, but the Lord let us complete Asia School of Ministry (ASOM) 8. Thanks for praying for our ministry in the Philippines.”

Dr Met Castillo, ADMI (AEF Philippines) Director



The training took place in Dinalungan, Aurora Province on July 24-28, 2023. Typhoon Doksuri, known as Egay in the Philippines, caused flooding across five regions and more than a dozen rain-induced landslides. The Lord kept the team safe. Also pictured below is ASOM Session 7 in Dinalungan, Aurora Province on May 15-19 with Dr Met (left) preaching in a building with little space; a door was convenient.

Apart from ASOM, AEF Destiny Ministry gives praise for the three Church Planting Sites (Pililla, Tamurong, and Dumagats) which are moving forward towards their respective objectives.

Church attendance at Pililla is on the rise; Tamurong is now constructing its own chapel; and amongst the Dumagat (below), the Bible Study is getting regular attendance.



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