Prayer News
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"AUTUMN REGROUP!!"

OUR FAMILY CUSTOM ON 16th SEPTEMBER each year is to celebrate David's birthday with a BBQ. Usually, however, it's a cold and rainy day, and the BBQ is eaten indoors! But this year was different. We were blessed with a hot and pleasant day!

In the UK Thai work is something similar. After the exciting summer programme of annual Camp and return visits to Thailand, there is usually a 'down time' in the monthly fellowship meetings, with low attendance, and lost momentum. Would it be the same this year, or could we hope for something different?

Looking at various groups we realize that despite the difficult situations before them, something different was taking place. As such they can look forward to a new lease of life in the coming months.

For example the **West Midlands group,** despite having lost several members due to a relationship difficulty, is beginning to regroup. They continue to hold things together, and are making use of homes they had not considered using before.


W.Midlands group

Similarly the **Colchester group**, instead of 'going down' when they discovered that their hired meeting room was not available, decided to change the day, time and venue of their meeting. An alternative church building is now available in nearby Billericay, where they hope to see 2 more Thai people added to the group.


Student group

The **London student group** usually loses most of its members at the end of the academic year, when many of the students return home to Thailand. However in the first meeting of this new 'season', the meeting was filled with a additional group of Thai students happy to discover the Christian way,.

" See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. (Isaiah 43.19)

Not to be overlooked, further north the group in **South Shields** has faced its own challenge. Having recently lost 2 members, they have not only seen two new ones join, but are committed to adding others to their number.;

Please pray that all 15 groups will be bright and strong, despite the current challenges they face.


Fellowship Weekend 2025

Even the twice yearly **Fellowship Weekend** is recovering its recent setback, where the promised venue in Reading became unavailable, and the meeting was moved to Birmingham. At first many felt it was too far to come, but interest is growing again.

Please pray for this event, 10th October at Harborne Baptist church, Birmingham. The theme is "bearing fruit" with Piak and David the speakers. There will also be a seminar on understanding Buddhism ("How do Heaven and Nirvana differ?") by Sue Hunt.

Pray especially for the 3 speakers, for good attendance and for safe travel. Also for helpful worship, catering and logistics, the childrens programme, for rich fellowship, and for all to be spiritually refreshed.

Also for prayer

* The Sheffield group is struggling, with its leader presently in Australia; *pray* for others to serve here.

* At the Committee meeting we received very positive feedback from Camp attendees. *Pray* that all the renewed commitments to the Lord will stand.

* Future leadership arrangements for NTC are going well; *pray* all can be confirmed soon.

* Grand daughter Sally is looking at University options; *pray* for clear guidance.

Thanks for praying.

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