

# Merry Christmas !

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**Merry Christmas** from our house to yours!

It has been a year of great growth and blessing, in both personal life and ministry.

Among the many highlights we thank God for ...

... for Krista and Aaron's marriage in July;

... for Jeris' successful start at Evangel University;

... for our Global University Bible School, now teaching 22 students;

... for the funds to purchase the Chiangmai Liberty Church building;

... for three new churches planted in Northern Thailand;

... for several wonderful teams who

came to support, encourage and bless us;

... for the many who came to Jesus over the past year, and for the spiritual and numerical growth in our churches;

... and for all of you who supported us faithfully in prayer, finances and letters throughout 2004.

May the God of generous blessing be near to you as we celebrate the birth of the **Greatest Gift Of All!**



## Liberty Building Purchased!

Our heads are still spinning and our faith is at a high to see what can happen when God's people pray.

Just after we sent out our Fall newsletter, we were informed by the owner of the building rented by Chiangmai Liberty Church that we would

either have to increase our rent by 400% or get out. The other choice was to buy the building.

Many of you received the email we wrote appealing for prayer for this situation. God answered this need through **YOU!**

Within weeks churches and individuals volunteered all the finances needed to purchase the building outright!

In mid-November we signed a purchase agreement, and by the end of this year the building will be ours!

Thank you so very much for



your vital part. We are excited to see what God has in store for this congregation!

## Light For The Lost Impacts Chiangmai

We are privileged to work with probably the finest mission organization in the world! BGMC, Speed the Light, Women's Ministries and Light

For The Lost are an incredible help to our ministry.

A year ago Minnesota LFTL took on a huge project. They pledged \$50,000 to print

literature to be distributed to every one of the 420,500 homes in Chiangmai Province.

To date about 200,000 books have been printed and dis-

tributed, resulting in many testimonies of salvation.

Thank you so much MN LFTL, and thank all of you who gave.

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## Prayer Needs

1. Pray for **Chiangmai Liberty Church** who just completed a missions emphasis month. They are helping to support a new church plant in Mae Sot and are starting a bible study in Lamphun with the goal of starting a church. Pray for God's blessing on their missions heart.
2. Pray for the **TLC** church and Bible School building project. We desperately need a full-time Bible School program to raise up strong church planters. Pray especially for 2 organizations who are raising the funds for us, namely, **Builders International** from AGWM in Springfield, MO, and **Venture** led by our son-in-law Aaron Smith.
3. Pray for troubled **Southern Thailand**, which is suffering violence due to disputes between the Buddhist-dominated Thai government and Muslims who make up a majority of the 3 Southern-most Provinces.
4. Pray for the 22 students in our **Global University** Bible School program, that they will grow and mature to be fruitful in building God's Kingdom in Northern Thailand.
5. Pray for **church planters** to be called and prepared to plant churches throughout this nation, still 99% without Jesus.

