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Five Years of God's Faithfulness

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Baan Jai Dee

God's Faithfulness, Then and Now

by Jennifer Martin and Julissa Eberly

We drove into the driveway riding in the back of a pick-up truck, sweating from the heat. As we piled out of the pick-up one little girl comes running up and wraps her arms around Julissa's legs. Welcome to Baan Jai Dee!!!



Baan Jai Dee, an orphanage supported by the Second Tunic, is located just outside of Chiang Mai, Thailand. We had come to help Sam and Allen Schmidt with whatever they needed done around the orphanage. We spent the time sorting clothes, getting the girls ready for school, interacting with them, and organizing storage boxes.

One story that stands out is Jilada's story. Jilada came to the orphanage just before we arrived. Her two sisters had been living at Baan Jai Dee, and it was good to see all three of them together. But she hardly ever smiled. I had a lot of fun interacting with her during the two weeks trying to get her to smile. One day, Daryl and Allan bought her a new highchair. You should have seen the smile on her face when she realized the highchair was for her!!!



Jilada and her chair

It was incredible to see what love and affection, or the lack thereof, can do in a child's life. We heard stories that would make you weep about what some of those 4-9 year old girls have been through, yet with love and God's help those girls are thriving.

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It was amazing to see God's faithfulness during our time in Thailand. It is easy to feel overwhelmed in an environment that is unfamiliar, added to twelve young girls that want you to play with them when they are not at school, and trying to



help with other tasks around the orphanage. But our God is faithful! Each day, He not only gave us strength to do the tasks that needed to be done, but enabled us to love each of those little girls and make them feel special. I pray that our time there is not just something that we will remember fondly as "a trip we took" but it

will be something we will look back on and say, "God, you were faithful then, and You are just as faithful now." $ewline \mathcal{E}$

Jennifer and Julissa were part of a team that served in Thailand with Baan Jai Dee. Baan Jai Dee cares for orphaned, abandoned and relinquished children in northern Thailand. www.baanjaidee.org

A Note From Jan

by Jan Voltaire Tampac

I am so encouraged by your goal and purpose that indeed we also carry... "The man with two tunics should share with him who has none." Luke 3:11

We've been living these principles too. Even though our support is just enough for our family, the Lord is so faithful. From our "abundance" we can support those who are in need, pioneer new work, feed the kids with even just bread and juice, give to those in the hospital . . . All these things are an outflow of God's faithfulness and favor.

You have been a great blessing to us. We are also affected by your generosity and giving. €

Jan and Grace and their daughter Precious serve in General Santos City, Philippines. They serve in a very depressed community, working with youth and their families, house churches and youth in conflict with the law.



Christmas Blessing

An opportunity to bless those who are serving

by Judy Zimmerman, Administrator

As Christmas is approaching, we are again reminded of how blessed we are. We can look back over the year and see how God has been at work in our lives. Our thoughts should rest on the goodness we have experienced. This recognition may also urge us to respond to God's faithfulness.

We at the Second Tunic realize God has indeed been faithful in 2010 and has blessed us abundantly. We are privileged to serve alongside many who are in full-time service and depend on funds through faith commitments. Each year The Second Tunic has a special Christmas fund to share additional gifts. I count it a privilege to be the person to inform the workers of the extra money available to them. It is very exciting to receive their responses. Below is a sampling of their expressions of gratitude.

"Wow! Thank you very much! We are still overwhelmed now it is really a huge surprised gift from God for this Christmas."

"This is truly a huge blessing for us and we in turn will be blessing others with this gift also."

"Really this is GREAT Christmas gift. I can't find words to express, am overwhelmed.."

"Thank you for the Christmas gift - it was timely for us."

"Thank you, thank you for these wonderful gifts! You guys are absolutely amazing to us! We are so, so grateful!"

This Christmas season we invite you to give toward the "Christmas Blessing" fund. Please mark your check "Christmas Blessing Fund." Thank you for your faithful support. May the Lord bless you in the new year!

Vision of The Second Tunic:

The Second Tunic desires to be a bridge, allowing those with plenty to share with those who have need;
A link, allowing those who have skills and abilities to use them for the good of others;
A shoelace, interconnecting those who send to those who are sent.