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Firstly, thank you for your prayers for those on campus affected by the recent covid outbreak. Thankfully this was mild. Although all are recovered, some of the orphan boys are now in isolation.



Our Saviour rendered powerless him who has the power of death (Hebrews 2:14). In a recent Trustees' prayer meeting we were reminded of God's Sovereignty to bring life out of the valley of dry bones seen by Ezekiel. God makes all things serve His Kingdom and glory. During the campus lockdown, staff have worked hard to provide students with variety - sports days etc. They recently took a trip off site to enjoy the Mexican Sunflowers (above).

News from interns has been positive. They are learning many practical lessons and deeper dependency on God to use time and opportunity well. Village pastors value interns and invest in their training. Staff have visited some interns and expect to visit others soon.

*Please find enclosed a detailed pictorial report of staff visits to interns. The short video of two of this year's interns can be seen on our website: [www.Chrestos-mission.org/Bible-school](http://www.Chrestos-mission.org/Bible-school)*

Students in years 1 to 3 report good progress in their studies. Many speak of upbuilding fellowship on campus, honestly facing personal struggles and maturing in relationships.

Our main translator, Naw Moo Gay Khu, has returned home, 16 hours drive away. Her last application for residency outside of the refugee camp was deferred due to covid absences amongst officials. We pray she and her mother will be granted full, permanent Thai ID.

Geoffrey and Pat have received a visit from their daughter Sarah. The three of them travelled further north to stay with Dan and Duan.



The photo above shows further progress on the men's shower and toilet block. The campus faces demands for increased accommodation as single staff marry and have families and to make space for more students and capacity for isolation as covid becomes part of life. This has prompted renewed waiting on God, to know whether Chrestos should seek to extend the campus by purchasing the adjacent hotel site. Campus leadership view this potential positively. A short account of recent and current projects is enclosed.

**Praise God for:**

- **keeping staff and students safe despite some suffering with Covid;**
- **for the positive reception of interns in their villages and interns' growth in faith;**
- **for a new Director, Ajan Davi Poe, who will work with the current team for one year before taking full responsibility. (We hope to tell you more about him soon).**

**Please pray:**

- **for students to grow into Christ and in strong fellowship as they deal with past drug dependency and other personal and relationship struggles.**
- **for God's hand on the selection of new students and orphan boys for 2022 entry. Campus staff would like to find 20 new Bible School students and 10 new boys to enter the Home of Peace and Joy.**
- **for Ajan Davi Poe to settle in well, form good relationships with staff and have a personal sense of God's vision for the work and heart of Chrestos Bible School.**
- **for Geoffrey and Pat Atkinson with their family to know God's guidance and provision for their future.**
- **for clear guidance from God, whether to extend the campus.**

May the God of all comfort keep all hearts and minds in the peace of Christ Jesus.

On behalf of trustees in the UK and Thailand, thank you again for your partnership in the gospel - to His glory!!

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