

# for the ABANDONED ministries

## Summer 2014

*"The King will reply, Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40*

ABANDONING OURSELVES TO SERVE THOSE ABANDONED  
BY THE WORLD – BUT NOT BY GOD.

### IN THIS ISSUE

**I** pray that this newsletter finds you and your family doing well. It is hard to believe there are only five months left in this year...where does time go?

**E**arly this spring many of you received information about the changes regarding my ministry work, including forming For the Abandoned Ministries (FAM) and joining Equip International as an Associate Missionary. Your responses with words of encouragement, financial support, and prayers have been very uplifting to me...for that I would like to humbly say THANK YOU!

**T**he website is up! (see the website info on the bottom of this page). There are still a few minor things to be done, but for the most part it is complete and should greatly help facilitate the sharing of information; such as, updates regarding ministry work, prayer needs, and opportunities to be a part of ministry projects. In an effort to be good stewards I would like to communicate electronically as much as possible, therefore I need to be sure I have a current email for you. So...**PLEASE take a moment to shoot me a quick email.** You can just put your name in the subject line. Rest assured that your email address will remain confidential and will not be shared without your permission. My goal is to sent out a quarterly newsletter and needless to say email is certainly less expensive than "snail mail".

**S**o far this year I have had the blessing of serving not only in a familiar mission field, but God opened a door to a new mission field that I had never dreamed of - Thailand. Isn't He amazing how He knows what we need and where we should be, even if we are unaware of it. So, in April I joined a group from Village Baptist Church to work in Mae Sot, Thailand. The story is in the trip report on page two, but needless to say my heart has been captured, again ☺.

**P**lease continue to lift up FAM and the ministry work in your prayers. As you will read in the following reports there is much more work to do. At this time plans are under way for a trip back to Uganda this fall to build on the foundation started this summer with the Sanctuary of Grace Primary School Health Mentor program, taking it into the community. The hope is to not only make a positive impact on the physical wellbeing of those living in the surrounding village but to demonstrate the love of Christ through living out Matthew 25:40 in their community.

**A**gain THANK YOU! It is a blessing to be able to go and do that which God has laid on my heart. Your prayers partnership makes this possible. To God be the glory!  
*Cindy*



*Thailand April 2014  
Mission Trip Report*



*Uganda July 2014  
Mission Trip Report*

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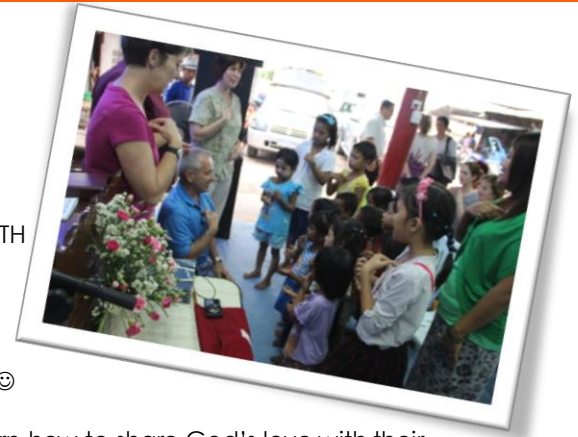
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## Thailand – April 2014 – Mission Trip Report

**T**hailand – someplace I had never dreamed I would be called to serve.

First there was a tug in my heart...then a little over 3 months later I was on a Plane headed to Thailand. Our band of six had quite a diverse schedule: FAITH Witness Conference with Don of F2F and Children's Ministry in a shanty town of Burmese Refugees (and possibly in a Refugee Camp) doing VBS and teaching health topics (hygiene, sanitation, dental, and nutrition). We were also blessed to be a part of the Thai New Year celebration – Sonkran water festival...3 days of water flying everywhere and on everyone! We were WET ☺



The Burmese refugees attending the FAITH Conference were so eager to learn how to share God's love with their communities. There were 33 attendees, 34 salvations, and the gospel was presented 113 times. By the end of the conference planning was underway for more witnessing & discipleship activities by the attendees.

Health education, even the most basic of concepts, can have a life changing impact on those living in parts of the world where basic sanitation does not exist. We shared the concepts through stories and activities with the children in Shanty Village, of course followed up with Bible stories, crafts, games, & snacks. The children listened intently as these new concepts were shared.

The Burmese refugees were humble and demonstrated such a servant's heart – what a blessing !



## Uganda – July 2014 – Mission Trip Report

**U**ganda has become my second home since my first visit in 2000.

The work this summer involved VBS/Children's Bible Clubs & Health Education to the 400+ children at Sanctuary of Grace (SOG) and Primary schools in 2 remote villages.

Upon landing in Uganda we ran into our first "detour" in our Schedule...8 of our trunks did not make the flight. Long story short we lost 2 days of ministry time, but we are sure God had a reason for the change in our plans (as He always does).

We adjusted our schedule accordingly and were able to not only do the VBS at SOG, but also educate the new Health Mentors on basic hygiene, first aid, and nutrition. They stepped up to the challenge with such commitment that we were blown away...their desire is to take this into their homes and village to help their community!

After our time in Gulu at SOG we headed to Jinja to work with the Nesters on some of their community outreach projects by doing door-to-door, or hut-to-hut, evangelism in the community surrounding their church and doing VBS, with the health education added, in 2 remote Primary Schools. We had initially planned on doing a clinic, but due to changes in Ugandan regulations we were not able to. We, as well as the villages, were very disappointed. The needs are so great and we were able to speak to and give guidance to several cases of children with serious health issues.

### UPCOMING MISSION TRIPS & PROJECTS:

- Uganda Sept 22 – Oct 10, 2014: Health & Hygiene Training & Community Outreach at SOG & development of Health & Hygiene Educational Curriculum for bush teachers of Community Learning Centers in N Uganda & S Sudan
- Thailand Jan –Feb (proposed trip for 4 wks) 2015: Work & training with national health care workers at a jungle Medical Clinic
- We are exploring & praying about invitations to work in Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, & Ethiopia in 2015

***I am forever grateful that God has allowed me to be able to GO and that YOU pray for and support the work He has set before me .***

***Thank you!***

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