



THE FILES FAMILY

MISSIONARIES TO THAILAND

Dear friends, family, and supporting churches,

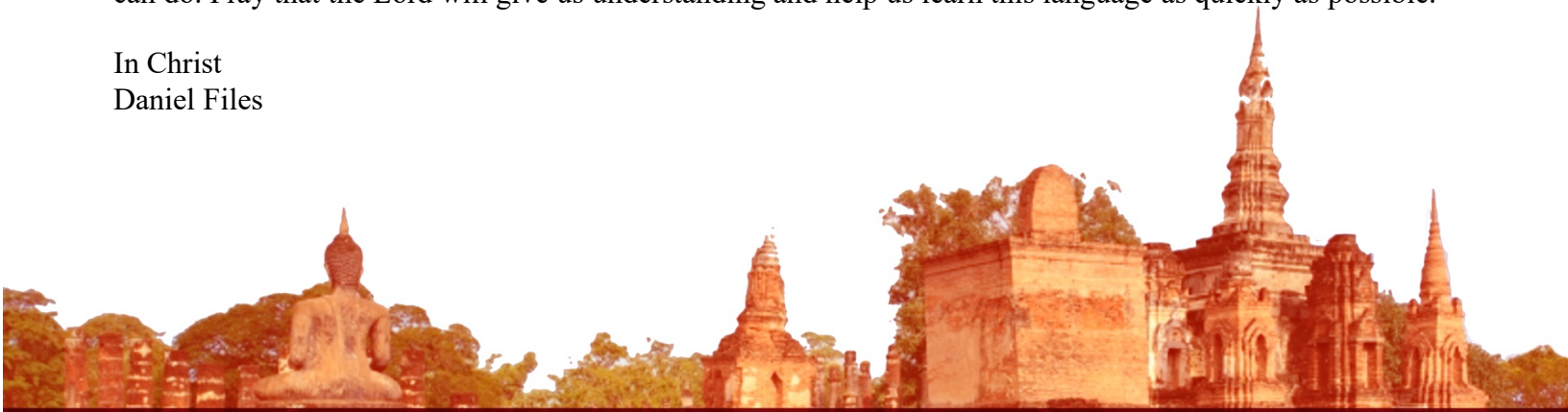
May- June 2021

Greetings from the Land of Smiles. We made it back to Thailand on May 17. All of the flights went smoothly with just one small delay in Atlanta right before takeoff because of mechanical failure. That is not what you want to hear before a 16 hour flight. We landed in Thailand on time and with all of our bags. Because of the lockdowns and travel restrictions, there was hardly anyone at the airport which made getting through immigration and customs a lot faster than normal. They escorted us to our ASQ hotel and we began our 15 days of quarantine. It was nice for a few days to not have anything to do as we recovered from jet lag and tried to get our sleep schedule back to normal. After 15 days of quarantine in a small hotel room, needless to say, we were ready to get out. Our land lord met us at the Hotel with his truck and our van, and we hired another van to carry our luggage back to our house. It was good to be home. We spent the week unpacking and getting the house set back up. The kids had out grown all of their clothes that we brought for them last time so we gave those to some families with children that work in our neighborhood. They were excited and very thankful.

Kristen had her first doctors appointment here. Basically, it was just to meet the doctor and get her blood drawn. She will go back in a couple of weeks for the results. Pray that all of her counts are still good and improving. We celebrated Kaleb's 15th birthday a couple of weeks ago. He wanted to go fishing so we went to a small lake here and spent a few hours fishing. He caught the biggest one, about a 40lb catfish.

Bangkok is on another lockdown due to Covid. They were getting ready to open everything back up but several clusters of covid infections spiked up and they closed everything down again for another month. We are unable to meet at church so everything is online only. I was able to preach this past Sunday with an interpreter. Preaching to a camera with an interpreter is not the most fun thing in the world, but hopefully we were a help to the church. They have had many people watching the online service that have never come to the church so hopefully we will see fruit from that. We are starting back to language school today. Because of the lockdown we cannot meet in person but they started an online class. It is not the most ideal but it is what we can do. Pray that the Lord will give us understanding and help us learn this language as quickly as possible.

In Christ
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