

Baan Santisuk

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Waterworld

With some very extreme tides and lots of rain this past month, many areas in South Thailand (like this sea gypsy village) have had bad flooding. Mark was able to help some friends cleaning up mud and water damage in their home but others are less fortunate with entire homes, and some of our favorite seaside hangouts, being swept away in the deluge. We have come to learn that calamities such as these are considered normal life here in Thailand. We are amazed and challenged by the resilience of the Thai people and the way they can just bounce back after losing so much.



Jogging through the Bible

Mark was in Chiang Rai, North Thailand this month teaching an overview of the Old Testament for university students. Most of them had never read the Old Testament or even heard any Bible stories as children so it was very eye opening for many of them. Whether the stories were familiar or not, they were all surprised to see the same merciful and loving God that they knew in the New Testament in the Old too.



Stress relief from God

As director of the orphanage Dorian has many leadership responsibilities and, although her focus remains to nurture the children that God has brought us, she still needs to provide leadership to all the staff and volunteers here. And that creates lots of stress in her life at times. Thank God there are the exceptional people like Nit (above) that love the kids and have a heart and vision to be here, and are a joy to work with. For a gentle spirited person like Dorian, that is truly a blessing. Can you pray that Dorian would continue to find peace from God in her leadership responsibilities? Thanks and God bless you all.

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