

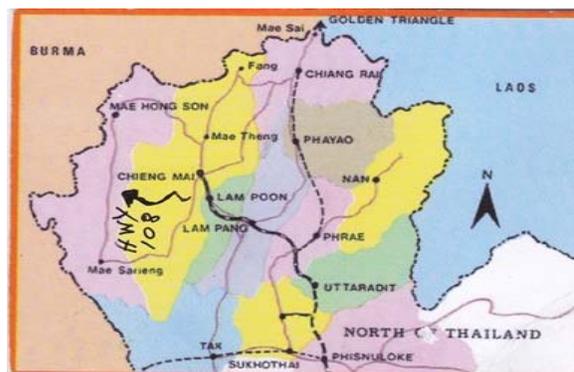
## Dorsey Traw Mission Report February, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, our fellow laborers in carrying out the Great Commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel....." During the month of February in our daily Bible reading, I have this verse underlined, Joshua 1:9, "Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage, be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest".

The first week of February, we had a special baptism -- the father of one of our former Bible students of the Karen tribe here in the northwest of Thailand. He had a denominational background, but after having listened to the gospel proclaimed for 12 years he decided to obey the truth by being baptized into Christ. We were in his village and had conducted a worship service the evening before during which Brother Chalot had preached. During the morning service, I extended the invitation and he stated his desire to be baptized, I was so excited I jumped up and walked across the room, asked him to stand, and I asked, "DO YOU BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD"? He made his confession and I had to give him a big hug. We had waited so long. He will be worshipping with one of the village congregations there in the mountains. He has three sons, each preaching in their respective village congregations. Brother Dulu is his name. He is 56 years old.



After "going into the world" of northern Thai rice villages and towns for 30 years, we were led to the mountains of northwest Thailand. We found the Karen tribe in 1992 and they were receptive. One million Karen live along the mountain range towards the Thai-Burma border. About three million Karen still live in Burma. For 20 years we have taught the Karen tribe. We went to the Northwest by way of Hwy. 108 thinking of "Go out into the highways and hedges", Luke 14:23.



Truly, the Karen tribe and former Chiang Mai Bible School students bring about good occasions for our February-March reports.



Brother Tongwan and his wife and their two sons live in the village of Mae Thea. He has preached for twelve years for the congregation that meets there and has printed a Karen Bible Correspondance Course in the Karen language. Following the remodeling of their house, they had a house warming and Bro. Chalot and his family were in attendance from Chiang Mai. A wedding was performed at the first Karen congregation, Ban-na-glang Church of Christ, established in 1992. One of the first Karen students in our Chiang Mai Bible School, Mr. Sri Tong, married a church leader's daughter, Miss Ge. I performed the wedding wearing the Karen Tribal formal red shirt.



The last picture is a goodbye and prayers for a third generation Christian, Sister Gep, her grandmother, Sister Tongsuk and her mother, Mrs. Bik are Christians. Miss Gep, an airline employee, is being transferred to Bangkok. We've known her since she was a child. This will conclude our report for this time. We love you all and may the Lord's blessings be upon us all.

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