

Youth With A Mission: Thailand – Reverend Claire Sullivan

Ministry Focus:

Youth With A Mission (YWAM) is a global movement of Christians from many denominations dedicated to presenting Jesus personally to this generation, to mobilizing as many as possible to help in this task, and to the training and equipping of believers for their part in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Strategies for Sharing the Gospel in this Ministry:

Church Planting; Church Strengthening; Community Development; Discipleship; Evangelism; Humanitarian Aid; Leadership Development; and Medical support.

- Rak-teh Slum Ministry in Bangkok. Rak-teh is an eight block slum. We have a drop in church every Monday night and I provide pastoral support for the founder/leader and young adult missionaries as well as outreach blitzes with mission teams locally and abroad. We have started a Bible study on Fridays for women at the center. This slum is lined with two groups of prostitutes - those who prostitute to support alcohol, drug addiction and pay loans off to the slum debt collectors. And those who prostitute for a daily income, provide for families and are trapped in the lifestyle of it. All lacking the education and other employment skills to be legitimately employed and/or there is more money in what they do now.
- Providing pastoral support and mentoring to a local couple planting a church in a condo building on the compound near my building. They are teaching English to Thai university students. The church is being planted to disciple and foster a family atmosphere, and empower them.
- Thomburri Deaf (and Mute) Church. This church rescues deaf/mute individuals off the streets. I direct their retreats, preach, do outreach, and support its founder, Pastor Yoon.
- Praying and hoping to begin a Prayer Bowl Group in my apartment for those unchurched in my building. The economy in my “Hood” is fueled by warehoused prostitution. Currently developing trusting relationships with stakeholders in the area to gain their needed support.
- Starting January 1, 2021 I am taking a one month course of TESOL - Teaching English Second Language. I am hoping and dreaming to rent a small space in my “Hood” and open it up to my community and hopefully to those who are prostituting in the business fronts.

Financial Needs:

Provision for rent, utilities, maintenance, food, clothing, insurance (life, health and accident), and medical expenses, Thai language studies mandated and materials, out-of-pocket medical, TESOL (Course in Jan)- Teaching English Second Language to use as outreach mechanism and a deep need for it and YWAM Thailand missionaries, and teach ESL at the Rak-teh Center and in my Hood and for the cost of materials, Visa/immigration expenses, flights within South East Asia and to return to US when vaccinations are cleared, outreach supplies; food, bus passes, medical, toiletries, cell phone, office equipment and supplies, bike/motorcycle repairs for outreach, government ID cards, and music equipment/Bibles to begin a prayer group in my apartment building and for street outreach.

Total amount needed to sustain this Ministry: \$30,000 USD per year.

Prayer Needs:

1. Thailand is less than 1% Christian. Please pray that Jesus Christ is revealed.
2. Please pray for the unity among Thai churches. There are many divisions.
3. For the salvation of everyone in my crazy building that I love!
4. The Thai language is extremely difficult. Please pray for my ability to hear and understand.
5. Please pray that the community of Bangplad, where I work, will be transformed by the love of Christ and that the prostitutes and all those trapped in this entire system of poverty, corruption, and slavery be released from captivity and find new life in Christ.
6. Please pray that I can endure through the TESOL course. It will be on Zoom from 8pm to 5am because it is being taught through YWAM Boston.

Short-term Mission Opportunities: X Yes No

- Evangelism;
- Provide message and lead worship at Rak-teh church as well as other opportunities through the YWAM Thailand and Bangkok base. These opportunities (housing, food, and outreach) would need prior coordination and planning through our Outreach Department;
- Healing prayer;
- Bible distribution;
- Homeless outreach;
- Training of all sorts.