

Missions Update

February 2014



Greetings to you!

It is good to be back to in Thailand.

WORK PERMIT AND VISA RENEWED

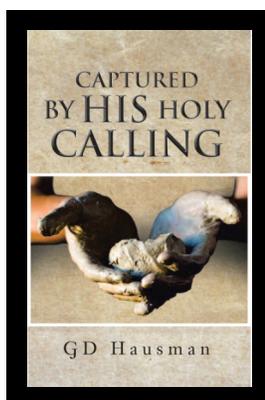
Want to thank all of you for your prayers over the past few weeks. Lately there has been a lot of political unrest here in Thailand, especially in Bangkok. The protests have affect the governments ability to fulfill its duties as the protests have in some cases caused closure of government offices.



When I returned to Thailand I was able to get my work permit renewed just the day before the protests started. The visa however was a different deal - the work permit comes first and then you apply for the visa.

My visa expired on February 9th, the day I was to leave for Myanmar, so it was imperative that I get my visa renewal before I left. The people who were processing the paper work for my visa were unable to get into their offices because of the protests. I was told they understood my situation and would do everything they could to try to get me my documents before the 9th.

On Monday February 3rd I was informed that my documents were ready and so it was off to immigration to get everything put into my passport.



FINISHED

WOW! A six year project finally done.

Captured By His Holy Calling will be available soon.

Before I returned to Thailand I was able to secure a publisher for my first book. I am happy to report that it has passed all the publishers requirements and is now in the process of being printed and will be available shortly.

Thank you Harvest Church for contributing funds to bring this endeavor to completion.



On February 9th I will be traveling to Myanmar, formerly Burma, to teach in our extension school there. Your prayers would be much appreciated as I will be there two weeks teaching 6 hours per day.

Even though the temperatures are in the 90's with near 80% humidity and no air conditioning, I have always looked forward to and enjoyed my time there.

LANGUAGE SCHOOL

I Will be starting language school after my return from Myanmar. This is something I have wanted to do for quite some time but the schedule never seemed to work out quite right.

The speaking part of it is not so bad but the reading and writing part is a little confusing as the Thai is all language is all symbols with no breaks between the words and void of punctuation.



Finally got settled into my new apartment.

Had quite a time with the toilet flushing properly until I discovered a half gallon milk jug, a 2 liter coke bottle, and a large shampoo bottle all filled with water stuck in the toilet tank. I understood the reasoning behind it - save on the water bill. But the truth of the matter was, there really was no saving water because it took several flushes to get the job done.

Anyway, after removing all the paraphernalia from the tank, the toilet flushes just fine.



I have come to a definite conclusion; living the life of a single is HARD WORK!!

After destroying a couple of shirts I think I have, for the most part, figured out the trick to ironing.

Had a pair of pants I bought here in Bangkok a couple of years ago but never got around to having Marlene hem them. When you buy trousers here the pant legs do not come hemmed. In other words you can't but buy them in the length that fits you.

Well, I really needed to have these pants useable so I decided to have a go at hemming them. I watched Marlene do this on several occasions so I had an idea of what to do. After impaling myself several times with stick pins I finally got the pant legs folded over and pinned to the length I wanted. With that done I now faced the challenge of the actual sewing.

I pulled the sewing machine out of the box and stared at it and the manual for about two days trying to figure out how to thread the thing. The closest I ever got to it was hearing from across the room.

With all the dials, numbers and variations of settings, for me it became a guessing game as to which setting to use because the manual, which was mostly in Thai, provided little help.

After getting the thread and all that other stuff where it's supposed to be and making a guess at the settings, I procrastinated another day having never used one of these things before.

I finally made the decision to just do it. I plugged in the machine, stuck a pant leg under the thing-a-ma-bob and pushed down on the accelerator pedal. I found it could go from 0 to 100 in about .02 seconds. I was able to keep it under control and actually came out with a good looking hem!

The washing machine is another story but I won't go into that one.

All in all everything is working out fine, I still wake up breathing in the morning all praise and thanks to the grace of God.

I will be out of reach during my time in Myanmar as I will not have internet access. I will be back in Bangkok on the 22nd. I will respond to any emails after I return from Myanmar.

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Thank You and God Bless!

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