

near Larn Luang Rd. Free lit is available for distribution outside of Bangkok & for Pioneer Homes & poverty cases. Lit usually costs about .07฿ (7stang) per piece. P.O. Boxes are not too hard to obtain. There are many employment agencies at which to get domestic help & there are also many housing agents. Houses are usually around 4,500฿ per month plus a deposit of one months rent. You usually have to pay utilities yourself. Tap water is filtered & chlorinated & shouldn't hurt you but there are no guarantees. Much more dangerous is ice from we-know-not-where that you get in cold drinks at the shop. This is very dangerous upcountry.

There are many public & private hospitals. They use mostly western medicines & methods. Some good public hospitals are Chulalongkorn, Rajvithi, Ramathibodi & Bangrak. Bangrak specialises in VD treatment & is almost free. It is on Bangrak Rd. Treatment & medicine has been provisioned at Chulalongkorn & Ramathibodi. Even if you pay at public hospitals it is very cheap.

Any servants you employ will probably expect about 1000฿ per month. Some will want to live in, others won't. Be sure to photo-copy her Identity Card & keep your valuables locked up. Don't tempt the poor to steal!

Jobs are available to teach english & with some agencies involved with refugees. Lice are prevalent throughout Thailand so beware. Tax clearances are required for anyone staying in the country over 90 days. They are obtained from the Revenue Department & you can't exit the country without one. Work permits are legally required for any type of work in the country but this law is weakly enforced.

THAI LANGUAGE

Thai is a tonal language meaning a change of tone creates a new word without changing the vowels or consonants. There are 5 tones: MIDDLE TONE which is a normal straight tone, LOW TONE which is the tone of confirmation in english, RISING TONE which is the tone we use in english for a question, FALLING TONE which is an exclamation tone in english, & HIGH TONE such as the tone we use when we say "bank".

There are approximately 28 commonly used vowels & about 44 commonly used consonants. They are not hard to learn. if you learn a few a day. Rather than learn a phonetic alphabet to learn to speak Thai why not simply learn the Thai alphabet? Initial progress will be slower but you'll eventually pull out far ahead of those who can only speak but can't read. It'll enable you to read, use a dictionary, & learn correct pronunciation more clearly & accurately. Like having a baby, it shouldn't be painful, just hard work. I strongly recommend learning the Thai alphabet & not using a phonetic one.

There are some good Thai courses available. The one at AUA is highly recommended but expensive. Many brethren have derived great benefit from it. Taking a course is not absolutely necessary but spending time studying is. The most fluent foreign speakers of Thai did not learn thru a course but by diligent daily study of Thai & actual practical usage out on the field, especially upcountry & living in Thai homes. If you want to learn you easily can for free! Inability to speak Thai well becomes an increasingly worse testimony as your stay here becomes longer & longer.

We hope this will help you be more effective & make fewer unintentional mistakes. GBY! WLY!

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CHINESE LIT-PIC NEWS!

RESPONSES TO CHINESE TKs!

From the Chinese LIT-PIC:

GET ALL AGONY AND GUILT! We're so thankful for an inspiring and fruitful month producing the Words that work in Chinese!

THIS MONTH 26 NEW TKs WERE TRANSLATED; and 4 more Letters & 7 more TKs are now in print. This means that we now have 200 Letters translated—185 printed, and 195 TKs translated—75 printed. And although there is such a big gap between TKs translated and printed, 52 of these have been typed and are now in the process of layout.

DEAREST DAD & MARIA, WE WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVING COUNSEL IN THE RECENT MAGS and the news that you were coming out with official condensations of the recent Letters for us to work on was a real answer and blessing. This certainly makes our job so much simpler! And the encouraging counsel to concentrate on the Komix, Quote-size Letters, Daily Nights and condensations of the latest Letters—setting us free from being slowed down with older Letters. Such simple guidelines to follow to know what we should be concentrating our efforts on.

AND HERE ARE SOME OF THE INSPIRING LETTERS WE'VE RECEIVED in response to the Chinese TKs:

I'M VERY HAPPY TO HAVE RECEIVED YOUR KOMIX! I could never receive love from other religions, and I really hope to have Jesus' Love. Now after receiving the True



Inspired LIT-PIC couple, Daniel & Naomi with baby Sarah. Photo by Matthew.

Komic I believe I can have the Lord's love. Pray that the Lord will guide me to receive Him into my heart!"

"BY CHANCE I READ YOUR TRUE KOMIX AND AM INTERESTED. I feel now days the Church has a lack of literature like yours with such a high standard of drawing and which inspire our spiritual life. I hope you can send me both Chinese and English copies of all the booklets, so I can share them with the Brothers and Sisters of the Church, especially the students. I believe they would like them."

"IT HAS BEEN A FEW MONTHS SINCE I RECEIVED THE MESSAGE OF LOVE FROM YOU AND GOD. Thanks for your concern, and thank you for the Love of God you gave to me. Now I'm working during the daytime, and studying in school at night, so my living has no other interests; but your Love after receiving the True

more wonderful!"

"I MYSELF AM A CHRISTIAN. After reading the True Komic #918, I really want to have a chance to read more of these. I feel that life and peace are more precious than wealth; and hope the Lord can solve the world's problems of people fighting between each other, and give peace to the world. Please send me some more True Komix."

(Translated from Chinese by Naomi.)

GB DAD & MARIA, THE ARTISTS AND ALL THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED BRING ABOUT THIS EXCITING

FRUIT! Please send your donations for the Chinese LIT-PIC to your Reporting Office. GBY! WYAPFY!—The Chinese LIT-PIC Family.

(Typed & layed out by Lit-Pic.)

LAUREN PEE! GBY!
—We sent yours!
—Have I sent yours?
Nathan May & Nathan May

News From China!

From Ho: LIT-PIC NEWS! "ASIAN ANGELS!" CHINESE MOM!

THE CHINESE LIT-PIC WAS VERY INSPIRED TO RECEIVE ALL OF YOUR COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FOR THEM & HAVE ALREADY PUT THEM INTO EFFECT WHICH HAS BROUGHT A REAL REVOLUTION IN THEIR CONDENSING & TRANSLATING THE LETTERS INTO CHINESE. Sheba & Gabriel came for a visit the day after we received your letter with the comments to the Lit-Pic & I had the privilege of being able to read your comments to Sheba myself & see the joyous reaction & tears of appreciation for your love & concern for her & for the Chinese translation ministry. The Chinese Lit-Pic team is a precious faithful little family who love you & your words very much & they greatly appreciated the love & interest which you have shown in their work & in the Chinese field overall. They can certainly use the increase in their gift, as they are nearly always struggling in their finances due to the high cost of housing & also due to some of the recent changes that have been required in pioneering a new Home where some of them have had to move due to visa problems.

... & are accomplishing more than ever before. Of the 100 Letters which are in the DFO Komic Book which we just received a few days ago, they already have over 40 of them translated & they hope to finish the translation of the whole Book within a month or so. So if it is possible & you would like to make a gift to the Chinese Lit-Pic specifically to help with the printing of these Komix in Chinese, it would be a great help to them as they could not afford to undertake such a large expense themselves without outside help. (Amen! HELP! GRY!)

THE PRINTING OF SUCH A GOOD VARIETY OF LETTERS IN KOMIX FORM SUCH AS THOSE IN THE "FO BOX" WOULD BE A IRUPHIOUS HIT TO THE MAIL MINISTRY & TO TEAMS GOING INTO CHINA as it would give them a good variety of Lit which they could use to give out & send to people that they meet on a good variety of subjects.—Though at this time it may be better to print them in individual Komic form rather than a whole book altogether so they can more easily be distributed in selah ways through the mail & through personal witnessing in China. If they could possibly print all of these Letters in a quantity of a thousand or two then they could bind them together in books for their Chinese disciples & use them in individual form for distribution through the mail & witnessing.

THE MAKING OF THE "ASIAN ANGELS" VIDEO WAS A JOYOUS & PRICELESS PRIVILEGE FOR ME FOR WHICH I WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. Working together with all of the family involved in the making of this video was a real life-changing experience for me. To have your specific point-by-point directions to go by in the Letter "Glorify God in the Dance" & to see the wonderful fruit & results of the Truth setting us free & guiding & directing our moves was continually inspiring blessing. Your letter gave us just the specific detailed guidance & direction that we needed & really helped the girls to know exactly how to use the gifts God has given them to the fullest inspiring advantage.

IT WAS ESPECIALLY A BLESSING FOR ME TO READ OVER THE PARTS OF THE LETTERS TO THE GIRLS AS WE WORKED WITH THEM ON THEIR NUMBERS & to see the freedom that the Lord has given us manifest in their spirit & faces & dances. All we had to do was to follow the directions & to let the Spirit flow through each girl in her unique dance working together with each girl to help her to be able to communicate her love & thanks & appreciation to you & the Lord through her dance for all that you & the Lord have done for us. It required & created such an atmosphere of such tender loving care that everything just flowed in the Spirit so easily. Nearly all of the girls having never had professional dance training did not hinder them as they just endeavored to yield to the Lord in the Spirit & dance in thanks to you & to the glory of God. Even though some of them were nervous & shy at the beginning that they