

From the Pastor's Desk:

Hearing In Part

"He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth." John 14:17

I think most of us wish the Holy Spirit led us into all comfort. I know I've been asking for that a lot over the past couple of weeks. As you know the sudden death of Kelly Prungvanichsiri really hit me hard. A bit of comfort is what I wanted and needed from the Holy Spirit. We want comfort.

We might even settle for partial truth. It's good to know some things. A bit of guidance here and there to keep us out of trouble is nice.

But all truth? Most of us (me included) would rather surround ourselves with people who will simply validate what we falsely believe about ourselves. That isn't the Holy Spirit. Like a good counselor, He'll take you places you don't want to go so you can get where He wants you to go. He'll reveal things you don't want to know so you can become who He wants you to be. This isn't always easy. It's not always pleasant, but it IS always for the best.

People sometimes complain to me that it seems like God is silent. "Why isn't God speaking to me?" "Where is God?" "God feels so distant." Here's a thought: Is it possible that when we cannot hear the voice of God maybe it's because we aren't actually listening? Is it possible that our unwilling to hear everything He has to say causes the silence? That we don't feel His presence because WE moved away?

You can't take part of God. It's an all or nothing thing. You can try and fail. But you can't plan to fail. You can't tune out His convicting voice and still hear His guiding voice or wise voice or comforting voice. You cannot listen to half of what the Holy Spirit has to say. It's a package deal. If you tune out His convicting voice you won't hear anything He has to say at all.

This is a hard truth, but I've seen it over and over again. May you always have the courage to allow the Holy Spirit to lead you in ALL truth.

God bless,



Stewart

Sunday Worship

10:00am – Bangkok Christian College
6.30p – Bangkok Christian Guest house



SERMON SCHEDULE

We all relate to God in slightly different ways. This short series will explore a few ways you might explore.

- 14 June: We Relate to God in Different Ways
Heb- 10:19-23
- 21 June: Draw Near Through Scripture
Col – 3:16-17
- 28 June: Draw Near Through Prayer
Matt – 6:5-15
- 5 July: Draw Near Through Reconciliation
Matt – 5:23
1 Peter – 5:7

How do YOU best relate to God ?

PRAYERS REQUEST

- Continued prayer for Nam McDonald and her battle with chronic fatigue, and for the entire family as they await Mazda's US Visa
- For our June Outreach Partner, Candlelight Ministries
- For Friends and family of Kelly Prungvanichsiri who died suddenly. She was a member of ICB for three years
- For members and friends who are moving away from Thailand in the next few weeks and months
- For refugees and displaced peoples who struggle to find work/income o support their families

PRAYER FOCUS:

For June: Pray that our church would continue to develop a strong reputation as a safe place for people from any and all backgrounds to come worship, learn about and serve God.

If your would like a prayer concern to be included in this list please mail to <pastor@icbangkok.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Indonesian Language Worship:

Next Worship & Dinner will be on June 20th, commencing at 6pm for worship followed by dinner at 7.30pm, all members are welcome. This service will be at Aldrin & Ansye's Apartment, Bangkok Gardens, Tower E, Condo 5095, Narathiwas soi 24, New Sathorn (081-926-8756).

OutReach Opportunities

Pakkred Babies Group

Volunteers help feed and play with children (ages 4-10) who have physical and intellectual disabilities every Tuesday. Contact Mio Foster (086-044-3808).

Rahab Ministries

Rahab Ministries has many volunteer opportunities, including a 1.5 hrs/week commitment teaching English. Contact Pastor Stewart if interested.

In Loving Memory of Kelly

Prungvanichsiri

Kelly has return to God on the 30th May. During her three years with ICB,



she has been an active member of the church and involved in several church outreach ministries - namely the Khlong Toey Community Center and Chaiyapruk Children's Home.

She has been a lost to her family and people who have known her, because she was an easy person to love and to talk to.





Candlelight is a community based rehabilitation project, the goal is to increase the quality of life for people with disabilities and their families in the district of Nonglu, Sangklaburi, Kanchanaburi. The purpose is that a family with a member with a disability would received the knowledge to enable them to confidently care for their members in ways that are sustainable, that people with disability will be more accepted and integrated into the community around them.

June Outreach Partner Candlelight Ministries

Four different groups are held in 3 different villages for children with developmental delay, cerebral palsy, down syndrome, epilepsy and hydrocephalus. Candlelight ministries also provides wheelchairs and special equipment as needed. Funds are provided to enable people with disability who have an ongoing medical need or as surgical emergencies arise.

Candlelight also has income generation projects such as growing vegetables, Karen back-strap weaving, making brooms and others.

Some of our members visited
Candlelight Ministry in April 2008

Candlelight Ministry
will visit ICB on 21st June



Chaiyapruk Ministry Report

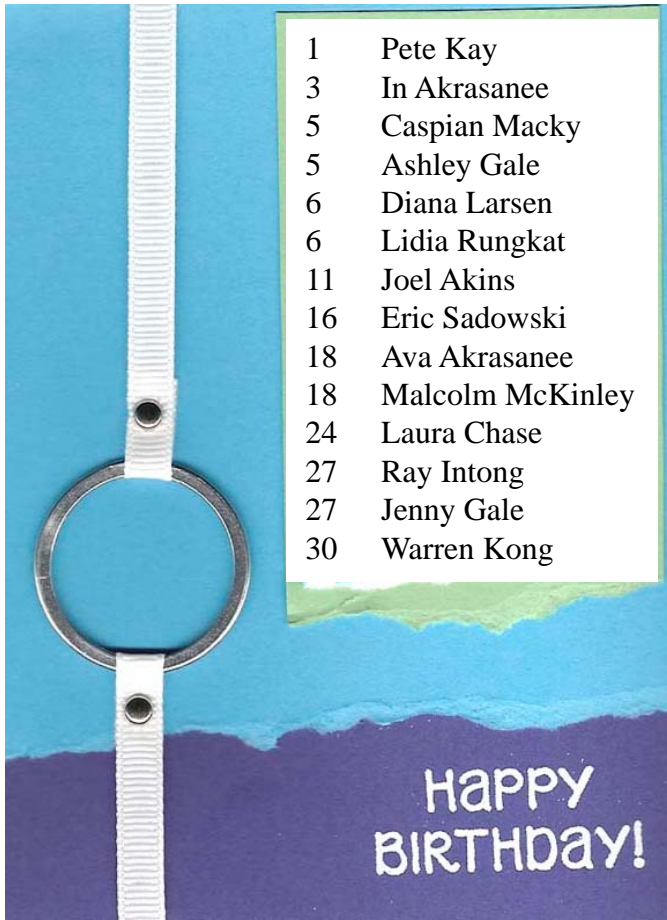


Chaiyapruk Ministry visited ICB on the 17th May. They brought along a beautiful performance of the Angkhlung. For those who missed it, Angkhlung is a music instrument made of bamboos of different sizes & length and sounds like the bell choir. You can enjoy it on youtube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KH0Vqg9k9IU>



JUNE BIRTH DATES:



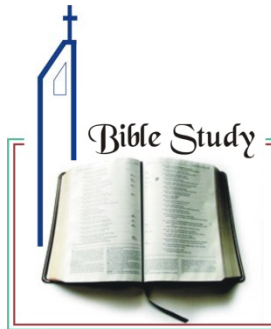
Connect with Fellow ICBers

Go to the Facebook Group – International Church of Bangkok. Join a small group. Invite someone you are chatting with after worship to join you for lunch.

!! HELP WANTED !!

Looking for volunteers to help with the children’s classes. We work on a rotation schedule so no one person is away from the worship service for very long. If interested or for more information, please contact Caryn Macky or Pastor Stewart

Small Group Studies



Chatujak Book Group meets alternating Thursdays. At the home of Dan Lewis Call : Betsy Walter-Echols (081-9197627) or Dan Lewis (081-804 857) for details & directions.

Sala Daeng Bible Study – Meets at the Bangkok Christian Guest House on Wednesdays @ 7pm, & will resume in mid May, contact Andrew Dircks (087-6898618) if interested.

Nichada Group - Women's fellowship & Bible study meets on Tuesday evenings. Family fellowship dinners on occasions. Contact Caryn Macky. For details email magicrat@loxinfo.co.th.

Thong Lor Bible Study – Are going through “New Light on Familiar Passages.” Call Pastor Stewart (081-9232810) if interested.

Ramkamhaeng, Bangna, Srinakarin Area Group - This group meets in Ramkhamhaeng near Assumption University on alternating Sundays. Please call Francis Carredo (085-1452845) for details.

Indonesian Women’s Study – Meets for bible study every Tuesday, at New Sathorn. If interested talk to Ansyne Rungkat (081-554-9039). This group uses the Indonesian language.

It only takes three people to start a group. The church can provide materials and training as needed.

Do you have toddler toys that your children has outgrown or doesn’t play with anymore?

The nursery is looking for some Clean, Safe, used toys that are in Good Condition. Toys can be brought on any Sunday or for more information contact Frances Carredo or Caryn Macky.

Sunday School News

PARENTS – TEACHERS FELLOWSHIP

There will be a fellowship for families with children in the Sunday school program and the teachers after church on **21 June** at Pastor Stewart's house. RSVP to Pastor Len (080-606-8627).

Sunday School Teachers' In-Charge



For the Month of June

June 7 - Caryn
June 14 - Stansye, Vanie and Yanti
June 21 - Rachel and Charm
June 28 - Mio and Marion

For the Month of July

July 5 - To Be Advised
July 12 - Valerie and Joy
July 19 - Francis and Charm
July 26 - Stella and Tessa

ICB recognized a High School graduate and all Sunday school teachers on Sunday 31 May. It was Pentecost Sunday.

Teaching Sunday school is very much like the miracle at Pentecost. It's translating the gospel so that all can understand.



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ICB's SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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| <i>8.45 am</i> | <i>Choir Practice</i> |
| <i>9.00 am</i> | <i>Adult Sunday School</i> |
| <i>10.00 am</i> | <i>Worship</i> |
| <i>10.30 am</i> | <i>Graded Sunday School (Ages 4 – 12)</i> |
| <i>11.00 am</i> | <i>Loaves & Fishes Café Fellowship</i> |
| <i>6.30 pm</i> | <i>Contemporary Evening Worship (@ Bangkok Christian Guest House</i> |

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Address Correction Requested

Thank You!

In May, ICB raised approximately
90,626 baht for the
Chaiyapruk Ministry.