

Genesis and Verna Maraat

July 2011

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST

Dear Partners in Jesus,

“Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.”

1 Peter 5:6&7

I am writing this letter to ask prayer from each of you who are our friends and partners in the Lord. The last week of May 2011, Verna went for a regular checkup with a doctor here in Chiang Mai. It was discovered that she has a fibroid growth of 9x6 centimeters in her uterus. To make sure, we went to see another doctor who was recommended to us by a missionary friend. This second doctor found out that Verna has two growths. She later saw a third and fourth doctor to find out their opinions. The conclusion of those doctors is that Verna needs a hysterectomy. After much thinking and praying, we have decided that Verna is going to have surgery around the middle of July while Andrea and Josiah are not in school yet for next semester.

Because of this we are sending a humble request to please remember Verna in your prayers. Please pray that the surgery will go well. The total cost of tests, surgery, hospital bills and medicines is around \$3500. We make this known to our friends and partners as the Lord touches your hearts to please pray for Verna's surgery, and that God will supply the needed amount.

Thailand also held its national election on July 4, 2011. The Thai society is greatly divided politically. Last year over 90 people died because of political demonstrations and the biggest mall in Bangkok was burnt. We are asking for prayer as well that there will be peace as many Thai people are really concerned about the National Election.

Andrea and Josiah are currently helping in an English ministry during this summer vacation. They volunteer to help teach English classes Mondays and Wednesdays to Thai Yay children.

With all our hearts, we thank you for standing behind us in prayers and giving in our 19 years of missionary service through Things to Come Mission. Thank you very, very much, Beloved!

May the Lord find us faithful in these difficult times!

Yours in Christ for the Nations,

Genesis, Verna, Andrea and Josiah Maraat

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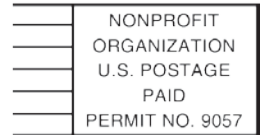
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A Note from the TCM Director



Genesis, Verna, Josiah, and Andrea

I remember first meeting Verna Maraats in 1993 when she arrived in Kenya as a newlywed. Genesis had come to Kenya first as a bachelor and then returned to the Philippines to marry his sweetheart. In the following years the Lord blessed the Maraats with children Andrea and Josiah born in Kenya. Their ministry grew until it reached the far west side of Kenya. Then the Lord called the Maraats to a new ministry among the unreached people of Thailand. They answered the call and have been working hard to learn the language.

In a routine checkup, Verna discovered that she has two fibrous tumors which require surgery. Thailand has excellent medical facilities and the Maraats have elected to have the surgery right in Chiang Mai. The cost for doctors, hospital, surgery and medication will be \$3500. I invite you to participate with the Maraats as they deal with this obstacle in their ministry.

In Christ,

Ben Anderson, Director