



December 2-7, 2022 | Chiang Mai, Thailand

- All sessions are in Heun Tweechol Room.
- Young Missionary sessions and childcare are next door.

Friday, December 2

6:30-10:00 Breakfast complimentary in Mhuy Na restaurant for all resort guests.
Lunch not scheduled. Resort restaurant options available.

6:00 Dinner – First group meal provided.

7:00 Welcome Session

Welcome, Worship and Orientation

Fellowship

Saturday, December 3

6:30-9:00 Breakfast served

9:00 Morning Session

Worship

Teaching with Alan Amavisca

10:15 Break with refreshments

10:45 Discussion: Luke 10 Initiative, with Matt Macy

12:00 Lunch

1:30 Missionary Conversations

3:00 R&R/Free Time

6:00 Dinner

7:00 Evening Session

Group Photo!

Worship

Teaching: Disciple-Making, with Stan Leach

Fellowship

Sunday, December 4

- 6:30-9:00 Breakfast served
- 9:00 **Morning Session**
Worship
Teaching with Alan Amavisca
- 10:15 Break with refreshments
- 10:45 Discussion: Philosophy of Missions, with Stan Leach
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:30 Missionary Conversations
- 3:00 R&R/Free Time
- 5:00-8:30 **SUNDAY NIGHT MARKET IN CHIANG MAI**
Meet out front for group transportation at 5pm
Dinner on your own in market, cash provided for your costs
Returning to resort at around 8:00, listen for group meeting-point instructions

Note from resort about night market: *To experience Chiang Mai, we suggest you have a meal there. There is lots of street food in the food center in the temple "Wat Phanaon and WatSumpao." The location of dining area "Wat Phanaon" is <https://goo.gl/maps/2PNezgKUhr1vLa2dA> and Wat Sumpao is opposite Wat Phanaon. Foot massage and Thai massage is also available there, and the street show.*

Monday, December 5

- 6:30-9:00 Breakfast served
- 9:00 **Morning Session**
Worship
Teaching with Alan Amavisca
- 10:15 Break with refreshments
- 10:45 Discussion: Deputation & Communication, with Kimberly Mer
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:30 Missionary Conversations
- 3:00 R&R/Free Time
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 **Evening Session**
Worship
Teaching: Equipping, with Stan Leach
- Fellowship

Tuesday, December 6

- 6:30-9:00 Breakfast served
- 9:00 **Morning Session**
Worship
Teaching – Alan Amavisca
- 10:15 Break with refreshments
- 10:45 Discussion: Missionary Care & Coaching, with Dan Cammack

12:00	Lunch
1:30	Missionary Conversations
3:00	R&R/Free Time
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Evening Session
	Worship
	Teaching: Commissioning, with Stan Leach
	Fellowship

Wednesday, December 7

6:30-9:00 Breakfast served
All other meals not scheduled. Resort restaurant options available.

ACTION NEEDED FROM YOU!

1. Krista G from the EFM office will be emailing you directly from KGonzales@friendsmission.com to make sure EFM's records are perfect for your shuttle ride to and from the resort and airport. Please reply promptly to make sure no one gets left standing at the airport.
 2. Krista G will be texting you from 303-421-8100 to find out whether you will have international phone coverage in Thailand when not connected to Wi-Fi, and if so, what number (an international plan is NOT required, this is just for our info).
- If anything else comes up, we will contact you. And feel free to send any questions or concerns to EFM! Otherwise, see you in Chiang Mai!

WHAT TO BRING:

- U.S. Citizens need only their passports for entry into Thailand. Passport holders from other countries are responsible for bringing necessary documentation for entry.
- It is advisable to have your full flight itinerary with you in print, as well as an extra printed copy of your passport and documents stored in a separate place from originals. It is also good to have all documents stored as photos on your phone.
- Bring the address/contact below to Horizon Village & Resort to produce upon request.
- Please note dress code below.
- Remember that occasionally a checked bag is late to destination.
- Remember that Thailand electricity is 230v which is fine for your cell phones and computers and most shavers, but not for U.S. hair dryers or curling irons that are designed for 120v only. Front desk has some adaptors available (an adaptor does not "convert" to 120v). Each room includes hairdryer, shampoo, conditioner, liquid soap, lotion and safe.



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AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION INSTRUCTIONS

Airport transfers to and from the airport and resort are being provided and arranged for you. We are using the flight itinerary that our office/Chauna arranged for you, or that you provided to us.

From the airport, please meet Horizon Village & Resort's driver at Starbuck's Coffee Shop which is close to the domestic arrival gate. Watch for staff who are holding sign with Horizon Village & Resort and EFM.

There are lots of ATMs nearby the Starbuck's which would be a good place to grab some Thai Bahts cash if you want some.

If you have any problem, you can contact the hotel directly +66 53-292-381.

OTHER TRANSPORTATION IN CHIANG MAI

- Understand cost to destination before using transportation. There are local Tuk-Tuk and taxi options and more to use if needed.
- We are told that Chiang Mai has "Grab," "Indriver," and "Bolt," which are something like the way Uber works with a phone app.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS IN CHIANG MAI

You can give this info to appropriate persons at home to use only in emergency.

Horizon Village & Resort: Thai Telephone +66 53-292-381

Matt Macy U.S. based number with international plan: 316-706-5789

Kimberly Mer U.S. based number with international plan: 714-743-4289

- *To call a Thai phone number from a U.S. based phone number/international plan: dial "011 66 then Thai eight-digit area code and phone number."*
- *To call a Thai phone number from a Thai phone number: the number to call is "+66 then Thai eight-digit area code and phone number." (To get to + press and hold 0.)*
- *To call a U.S. phone number from a Thai phone number: "001-1 then U.S. ten-digit area code and phone number."*
- *To call/text a U.S. phone number from a U.S. phone number/international plan, just call as if you were in the U.S.*

CHECK IN

Please check yourself in at the front desk of the resort. We look forward to saying hello when we see you...at scheduled activities if not before!

- Upon check-in, grab a resort contact card/business card with phone and address to keep on you in case you were to get lost outside of resort compound.

GATHERING DRESS CODE

Please be aware and respectful of the variety of cultures and clothing customs represented together at this gathering, and bear with each other in respect and grace.

- Dress code is casual, but please do not plan to wear short pants or short skirts/dresses in the worship and teaching sessions.
- The average Chiang Mai December temp is 85F or 30C. Shorts and T-shirts are fine, if that is your preference, outside of worship and teaching sessions.

MONEY

All costs for scheduled activities, meals, and accommodations are paid for by EFM and/or your sponsoring region/yearly meeting.

- You may wish to have some cash (Thai Baht) with you for incidentals or free time activities.
- If EFM is covering your costs, please maintain clear communications with Matt and Debby concerning your costs and please make no assumptions.
- Currently, there are no group activities planned for free time slots, but we are open to spontaneously making such plans, in advance or on-site.

OTHER INFO

Go to this link to find information from the original invitation about purpose, who is invited, what type of lodging, what is included, costs, etc.

<https://friendsmission.com/2022-efm-worldwide-gathering/>

WORSHIP SESSIONS

- Stan Leach, EFM Executive Director, is giving leadership to this Gathering and will be teaching during the evening sessions.
- Alan Amavisca, Director of North County Project, Placentia, California, will provide a teaching each morning.
- Bobby Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor at Friendswood Friends Church, Friendswood, Texas, will lead our singing in all sessions.

MISSIONARY CONVERSATIONS

These are slots in the schedule in which Dan Cammack will provide directions and suggested discussion questions, for missionaries to sit exclusively with other missionaries in assigned small group discussions. Non-missionaries will be in groups or other meetings with other non-missionaries.

YOUNG MISSIONARY SCHEDULE – KIDS!

These persons will be available throughout the Gathering to lead the youngest missionaries in activities and also help with childcare as needed and wanted.

- Jan Cammack, Newberg Friends Church, Newberg, Oregon
- Nancy Lawski, Rose Hill Friends Church, Rose Hill, Kansas
- Hallie Mayes, Rose Hill Friends Church
- Tracy Mayes, Rose Hill Friends Church
- Bobby Kirkpatrick is available (and others) to connect with older missionary youth.

Missionary parents: please don't be shy about asking for help with anything! We are all in this together, and we will serve one another throughout the Gathering. As needed and appropriate, other non-missionary guests in attendance will be ready to help too!

PRAYER, MENTORING, COACHING

We are all coming to Chiang Mai to love on our heroes that are faithfully serving on Friends mission fields, and to give missionaries the space to love on each other. Make the most of the opportunity to customize your schedule with peers, mentors, coaches, friends, teachers, prayer partners, and directors. We will pray, laugh, listen, teach, cry, pray, learn, offer pastoral care, worship, ponder, pray, strategize, discern, wonder, and also pray together!

COUNSELING

Tony and Stacey Wheeler will be available for conversations or appointments if you wish to schedule some time with either or both of them during the Gathering.

- Tony Wheeler is EFC-MAYM Superintendent of Pastoral and Church Health
<https://efcmaym.org/bios/tony-wheeler/>
- Stacey Wheeler is EFC-MAYM Director of Pastoral and Church Health
<https://efcmaym.org/bios/stacey-wheeler/>

MEDICAL CONSULTATIONS

Dr. Kevin Hoppock, Northridge Friends Church, Wichita, KS, along with his wife, Melissa, will be joining us in Chiang Mai. Kevin has made himself available to you as a family medicine doctor if you would like to get any medical advice whatsoever. Feel free to schedule an appointment with Kevin at our gathering as you wish.

VIDEO PROJECT

Each EFM missionary household will be asked to sign up for a 30-45 minute video session during the Gathering. Seth Binford of Wichita, Kansas will be with us at the Gathering for photography and videography, and Kimberly Mer and/or Seth will sign you up for an appointment.

As you look ahead to your video appointment, please keep these things in mind:

- Please plan for your whole family to participate.
- Plan in general for 10-15 second answers.
- Please plan to avoid wearing clothes with vertical stripes during the video sessions.
- The video session will be an interview/conversation, but feel free to think ahead about what stories you might want to have in mind.
 - Share Missionary Names and where you are serving/ what your role is.
 - What does your ministry look like? What does your ministry involve?
 - What people/ people groups do you reach? What is their/ your country's history? What programs do you do?
 - What motivates you? What is your passion in ministry?
 - What are you most excited about coming up in ministry?
 - What are your field ministry's main objectives and how is your ministry budget changing the world?
 - What are your ministry goals? What do you hope to accomplish? What are your ultimate dreams for the mission?
 - What is your greatest accomplishment? Or What has been one of the best ministry moments you have had from the past few years?
 - How does having partners help you?
 - What is your biggest prayer request?

GROUP LIST | EFM 2022 Worldwide Missionary Gathering

Missionaries and National Workers (all full-time long-term EFM households were invited)

- Albert and Metali Adhikari, Edwin (Bangladesh)
- Bob and Debby Adhikary (Nepal)
- Brad and Chelsea Carpenter, Sarai, Gideon, Ian (Rwanda)
- Babir and Lalita Gautam, Deepshikha, Sanyogita, Ashishita (India)
- Maria and Edwin Giron (Missions Mobilizer for Hispanic Friends)
- Michael and Kathryn Linville, Nehemiah, Asher, Levi, Hannah, Abigail, Benjamin (India)
- Molly Morton (Ireland)
- Elise Paty (Cambodia)
- Samson and Priscilla Retnaraj (Nepal)
- D.K. and Choity Sarkar (India)
- Scott and Andrea Sward, Zachary, Samuel (Cambodia)
- David and Debby Thomas (Whole-Life Discipleship Mentor)

EFM Staff

- Dan Cammack (Field Director)
- Stan Leach (Executive Director)
- Matt Macy (Director of Mobilization)
- Kimberly and Zoro Mer (Director of Operations and Communications)

Attending as EFM Board Members

- Tom and Patricia Crawford (Eastern Region General Superintendent)
- Adrian and Lisa Halverstadt (Rocky Mountain Leadership Facilitator)
- Jim and Jeanine LeShana (Northwest General Superintendent)
- Christy and Patrick Neifert (EFM Board Chair)
- Thayne and Kristin Thompson (Mid America General Superintendent)

Attending as EFC-International Directors

- Sabino Chipana (EFC-Latin America)
- Tony Frei (EFC-Europe)
- Adrian and Lisa Halverstadt (EFC-North America)
- Arun and Shobha Massey (EFC-Asia)
- Aaron Mupenda (EFC-Africa)
- David Williams (EFC-I President)

Attending for Other Support of Gathering

- Alan Amavisca (Guest Teacher)
- Seth Binford (Videographer and Photographer)
- Jan Cammack (serving Youngest Missionaries/Kids)
- Malcovia Clarivel Chipana Karita (daughter/translator for EFC-Latin America Director)
- Kevin and Melissa Hoppock (Missionary Medical Consultant)
- Sung Kim (Friends Southwest Missions Liaison)
- Bobby Kirkpatrick (Music Worship)
- Nancy Lawski (serving Youngest Missionaries/Kids)
- Hallie Mayes (serving Youngest Missionaries/Kids)
- Tracy Mayes (serving Youngest Missionaries/Kids)
- Ed and Brenda Walsh (Eastern Region)
- Tony and Stacy Wheeler (Missionary Counseling)

THAILAND

<http://www.tripadvisor.com/Travel-g293915-s606/Thailand:Tipping.And.Etiquette.html>

The following was provided to us by Horizon Village & Resort as “Do’s and Don’ts in Thailand

THE MONARCHY

Thai people have a deep traditional reverence for the Royal Family, and a visitor should be careful to show respect to the King, the Queen, and the Royal family.

RELIGION

Visitor should dress neatly in all visits to religious shrines. They should never go shirtless or in shorts, short pants/skirts or other unsuitable attire. It is acceptable to wear shoes when walking around the compound of Buddhist temple, but not inside the Chapel where the principle Buddha image is kept.

Each Buddha image, large or small, ruined or not, is regarded as a sacred object. Never climb onto one take a photograph or do anything which might indicate a lack of respect.

SOCIAL NORMS

Thais don’t normally shake hands when they greet one another, but instead press the palms together in a prayer-like gesture called a Wai. Generally, a younger person wais an elder, who returns it.

Thais regard the head as the highest part of the body, literally and figuratively. Therefore, avoid touching people on the head and try not to point your feet at people or an object. It is considered very rude.

Informal dress, T-shirts and shorts, are fine for public areas such as Sunday night market.

Public displays of affection between men and women are frowned upon.