

# AIDS Care *I have a dream...*



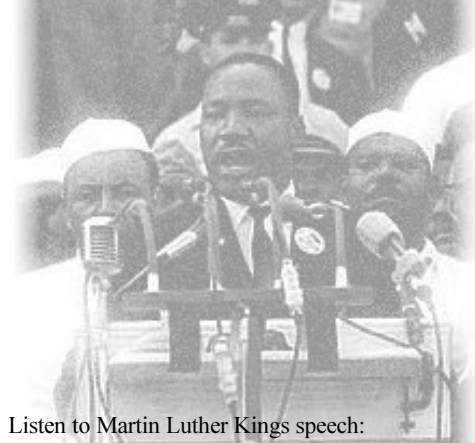
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A Ministry to AIDS Victims in Northern Thailand

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This sentence came to us while we were visiting Thailand, October 17-30, 2005.



Listen to Martin Luther King's speech:  
[www.americanrhetoric.com/speeches/ihaveadream.htm](http://www.americanrhetoric.com/speeches/ihaveadream.htm)

One of the most famous speeches in this century was Dr. Martin Luther King's speech on August, 28 1963 for the rights for Negroes in USA.

When everything was hopeless and seemed impossible, Martin Luther King held the famous speech: *I have a dream...* - a speech that has been famous since.

We also have a dream - will you join us in prayer that this dream must be reality one day? (read beneath) ■



## A new development

We during some time felt, that the AIDS Care ministry had reached the limits and something had to happen.

The resources in Thailand were stretched and it was very difficult to find people who wanted to serve people with AIDS, and not only get a job and their monthly salary.

Should we do something, or should we accept that we were not able to help more children than the 50 we already supported?

These and other questions were in our heads when we sat down in the 737 in Copenhagen to fly to Chiang Mai.

In Chiang Mai, during our discussions with Ang, AIDS Care project leader, this 'I have a dream' feeling came to us: We should not accept to go on 'standby' - more the opposite.

The result of this was that we contacted OMF's north Thailand leader and asked him: "Are you interested in taking responsibility for

the Sunday school teaching and English teaching, establish a youth ministry and over time develop a local church"? The answer was: "Yes, we are"!

To divide the ministry and responsibility into two entities will mean, that Ang can focus on what is her calling and also her strength: the AIDS ministry.

At the same time the Sunday School and English teaching will be strengthened and a youth ministry/youth church can be established.

It is our dream to buy/rent a house in Doi Law, find and employ a Thai couple, who will move to Doi Law and start this work and ministry.

This model will release resources and we can perhaps meet the call from a neighboring area, start AIDS Care there, start Sunday School .... etc.

### *I have a dream ...* ■

8 of AIDS Care's oldest children are studying the bible by correspondence. We would like to have the opportunity to invite these kids on youthcamps etc. arranged by churches in Chiang Mai.

### *Purpose:*

- Support of AIDS children's schooling
- Help with acute need for clothing, food etc.
- Support of AIDS medicine
- Visitation in homes, hospitals etc.
- Advice and encouragement

The ministry is based on individual donations

Send your donation to your local OMF Office.  
Mark the donation #302600, Mekong Office

In Denmark AIDS Care is a mission project from ZION Church, Brovst - a member of the Danish Evangelical Covenant Church.

In Thailand AIDS Care is a OMF Mekong related project.

AIDS Care cooperates with other organizations who has children and parents with AIDS as goal.

*A total of 54 children joined Sunday School in the 2 places we teach in Doi Law*



*Start of 2006 we plan to increase the number of children we support every month to 60. Pray already now for these children and for the increasing financial needs.*

# Visitation in Doi Law

One of the exiting experiences visiting AIDS Care is the trips to Doi Law. Thursday we joined Ang on home visitation in Doi and Saturday we joined the Sunday School in Doi Law.

Our worker So had one month before stopped working in AIDS Care. He had got a better paid job as a teacher in his hometown.

We were of course anxious to see how Ang had managed this change. But we did not need to worry.

3 of the oldest girls in AIDS Care (15 and 14 years old) had taken up the challenge. By the help of Ang these 3 girls now took care of both Sunday School and English teaching - and they did a marvellous job.

We were very impressed of the girls taking responsibility and we were impressed by how well they taught the other children.

A will and responsibility that gives promises for the future. Please pray for these 3 girls. ■



*English teaching*



*To see a 15 year old girl pray together with 39 children and read bible stories for them were very impressive and moving.*



## Prayers

- Praise God for a good trip to Thailand
- Praise to God for our helpers in Doi Law
- Pray for the planned co-operation with OMF
- Pray for new workers and more financial support
- Pray for Ang, her health and her ministry.



*Everybody participate in the small groups with enthusiasm and joy.*

*Thank you for your prayers and support*



**One cannot help all - but all can help one!**

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## Fortunately we also had time to enjoy the wonderful Thai food



*Inger Lise and Ang enjoying a meal.*



*A delicious fish made for us by one of the fathers to an AIDS Care child.*



*Inger Lise, Ang and one of our local volunteers are discussing the menu.*

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