

Hannah Travels to Thailand

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Welcome to Hannah Travels to Thailand. This is a little space that will be filled with everything from my words and my experiences, to the highs and the lows. This is a place for you to join me while I process life in Chiang Rai, Thailand. Here is the most recent update.



General Life Update

Hello family and friends! I have not been the best at writing updates over the past few months. But, I wanted to write an update to thank you for reaching out and update you all on what this next year looks like for me.

As many of you already know, I decided to come home early in March due to the coronavirus. Our school, CRICS, closed due to the pandemic and the government of Thailand taking precaution. When I arrived back in the states, I taught my fourth grade class online until the end of May. Although coming home in March was not a part of my original plan, I am so grateful for the extra time I have had with family and friends. Whether it be while social distancing in person or online through FaceTime/Zoom. I have been able to spend time with family and friends in Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan. It has been wonderful to be intentional in my relationships and with rest, too.

Since my last update, I have had to make some changes in my plans to return to Thailand. Due to different factors like my support raising, country restrictions, and my brother's wedding in November, **I will be returning to Thailand in late November rather than August.** This decision was made with much prayer and seeking wisdom from others that God has placed in my life. I had played out several different scenarios for 2-3 days each; going back in August, going back in November, or not going back this year. I felt the most at peace to return to Thailand in November. Although this was not my original plan, I feel that this is what the Lord is calling me to do. **During these next few months, I will be spending my time focusing on updating others on how God is working in Thailand and my life, support raising, and taking a Thai language course online.** I will be taking a Thai language course online through a language school in Chiang Rai. I am very excited to continue learning the language and to be able to spend a dedicated amount of time studying. If you have any questions or want to know more about how I came to this decision, please feel free to reach out.

In preparation for my return, I am seeking support both in prayer and financially. I am looking first and foremost for your continued prayers. Your prayers would be much appreciated as I continue this adventure that the Lord has laid before me. My prayer requests are:

- To have a fruitful furlough
- To pour out genuine, overflowing, Christ-like love to the people I encounter
- To build intentional, flourishing relationships with my students at Chiang Rai International Christian School, with missionary families, and with Thai people
- To adjust back to Thailand and its culture with ease and wonder

Financially speaking, after my recent visit with UB Global, I am excited and grateful to share that much of my support has already been met. **The Lord has been so faithful in this journey already, and has currently helped fund me 68% of the way!**

If you would like to join my support team in financial support:

1. **UB Global 302 Lake Street Huntington, IN 46750.** Checks are payable to **UB Global with "Barrett Ministry" as the memo** or
2. **Payable to Shiloh Missions with "Barrett Ministry" as the memo.**

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Thank you again for your kind words and prayers. Know that I appreciate each and every single one of you. I am looking forward to connecting with each of you soon! If you would like to meet to hear an update about the last year, please contact me at HannahhBarrett@outlook.com.

Prayer Requests

- *For CRICS, that doors would be opened for teachers to return and for the school year to start in a timely manner
- *For CRICS, that our administration, teachers, students, and families would have patience, flexibility, and wisdom on how to best serve each other this year
- *For our youth group, that the students and leaders would seek to know God and each other more
- *For our United Brethren Team, that we would continue to grow closer together as a team and use communication as we are all over the world currently
 - *For my furlough in the states to be fruitful
- *For my Thai language course, that I would be able to retain the language and created a dedicated schedule to study
- *For both prayer and financial partners to come alongside of me and the path the Lord has laid before me