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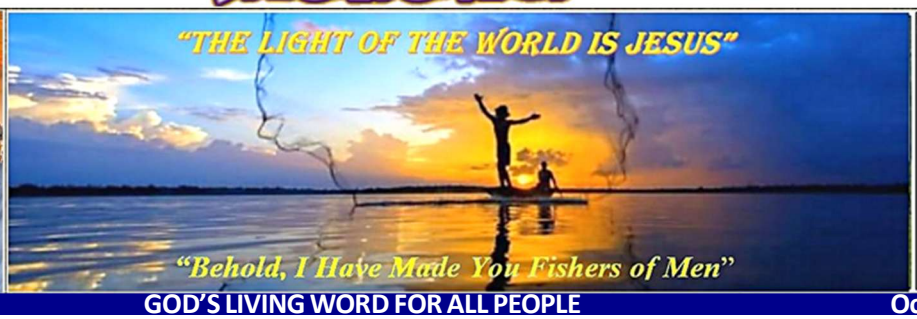

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Sharing Christ at 35,000 Feet

"Preach the Word; Be Prepared In and Out of Season"

I was fatigued after two months of ten-hour days, translating the New Testament into the Isan language with the help of my faithful assistant, Pastor Pitak. I was now headed home, leaving from Bangkok's International Airport on my favorite plane, a Boeing 747 Jumbo Jet. During the flight, the Lord opened a unique opportunity to minister to the passenger seated beside me.

I was boarded early since I was in a wheelchair. My economy-class aisle seat was two rows back from the partition between the business and economy sections, so that I couldn't see the remaining passengers boarding. The window seat beside me remained empty.

Praise the Lord, I thought; I can get some rest now. I sleepily watched as the remaining passengers stream past, heading to their assigned seats in the rear. The long line of passengers finally ended, which meant that the empty seat beside me was mine. I raised the armrest, plopped a pillow down by the window, and lay back. Now I could enjoy a well-deserved rest. As I glanced towards the aisle, I saw a young lady standing there, smiling as she pointed toward "my" empty seat. Great, I sighed!

She was in her mid-twenties and scantily clad. She wore a short leather skirt with matching knee-high boots. Pierced earrings lined both ears, accompanied by various tattoos. Even so, she acted quite normal as she came and sat in the empty seat beside me. We exchanged greetings as she placed her belongings on the floor beside her.

I wondered, how I might initiate a conversation to witness to her. The thought came to me, *relax and trust the Lord*. Amazingly, a few minutes later, we were having a pleasant conversation. I soon realized that she was an intelligent person, one for whom Christ died. When I spoke of trusting in Christ, she said she was a Christian and had drifted away from the Lord, but was tired of living a double life.

I led her in a prayer of repentance as she confessed her sin of rebellion and wandering astray. When we finished praying, her face took on a new countenance. We had great fellowship around the things of God for the rest of the flight. Upon landing, she flew on to Toronto while I hopped on a commuter flight home to San Diego. We communicated by email for a while, during which I encouraged her in the Lord. She said she was now involved in a good church, which was a blessing, so we stopped communicating.

What purpose did God intend for the empty seat beside me? God wanted to restore His wandering child, like a lost sheep that needed to be rescued among the one hundred that Christ taught (Luke 15:4). God loved His wandering child and wanted to reestablish fellowship with her. I was honored that He chose to use me to help. Thank you, Lord.

By God's Grace and for His Glory,

Ron and Cheryl Myers
Your Missionaries to Thailand

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Continued healing of my cerebral hematoma (brain bleed).
- Successful procedure to correct pinched nerve in my back.
- Safe and profitable time for my upcoming Thailand trip.
- Funds for the new & accurate, Spoken Thai New Testament.
- Opportunities to reach Thai with open hearts & minds.