

# Thailand

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## Day 6

DECEMBER | 2022

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### PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

The Thai pro-democracy protest movement, along with many similar human rights and democracy related movements around the world, has heavily relied on Twitter as a fast way to communicate, rally people, share information and get news out to the rest of the world. Elon Musk's recent purchase of Twitter and the changes he is proposing has raised considerable concern in Thailand, particularly around making it impossible to be an anonymous user, and the possible sharing of account details with authorities. Pray for wisdom. Speak out over Thailand, this Christmas season, that Jesus has come to bring justice into the world (The Bible, [Isaiah 1:17](#)).

**Source:** ['It's given a voice to many': chaos at Twitter sparks real fears for free speech in south-east Asia \(The Guardian\)](#)

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### MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Thailand means "Land of the free;" however, many are in bondage. Despite a relatively stable and industrialized economy, slavery, sex tourism and trafficking, drugs, and organized crime are rampant. A constitutional monarchy since 1932, a new king ascended the throne at the end of 2016 and signed a new military-drafted constitution in 2017 designed to pave the way for a return to democracy after numerous coups. However, critics say the new constitution has only strengthened the sweeping, unchecked, and unaccountable military powers. A public protest movement was active during 2020 -2021 but declined in 2022 due to an increasing climate of fear and persecution created by the Thai government. Though Protestant missionaries have been working in Thailand for 200 years, 88 percent of Thailand remains unreached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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CHIEF OF STATE

King Maha Vajiralongkorn

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Prayuth Chan-ocha

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POPULATION

68,863,514

CHRISTIANS

1.3%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

0.5%

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DOMINANT RELIGION

Buddhism

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

64,476

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LIFE EXPECTANCY

74.5 yrs

LITERACY RATE

93.5%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

13.2%

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