Thailand

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Day 6

OCTOBER | 2023 PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Praise report

Praise God that national leaders have a goal to reach every one of Thailand's 80,000 villages and neighbourhoods with the gospel. Pray they will be encouraged in this task (The Bible, 1 Thessalonians 3:2).

Prayer points

As most of the Christians come from the ethnic minority groups, pray that Christians will increasingly focus their missions efforts towards the majority Thai people group, that a vibrant Church will begin to grow amongst them (The Bible, <u>Hosea 10:12</u>).

There is a lack of trained national pastors in Thailand. Out of 4,000 churches, only 2,000 have full time pastors. Ask God to raise up more Christian Believers who will train to become pastors (The Bible, <u>Luke 9:2</u>).

Call to Salvation

Holy Spirit, only You are able to change hearts and open the eyes of those who don't yet know You. We ask You to do a mighty work in this nation (The Bible, <u>Matthew 13:15</u>).

Sources:

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Thailand election results: Opposition trounces military parties (Al Jazeera)

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.

CHIEF OF STATE

King Maha Vajiralongkorn

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Prayuth Chan-ocha

POPULATION

68,863,514

CHRISTIANS

1.3%

EVANGLICAL CHRISTIANS

0.5%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Buddhism

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

64,476

LIFE EXPECTANCY

74.5 yrs

LITERACY RATE

93.5%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

13.2%