

# CONE FAMILY

## THANKSGIVING | VISA TRIP TO SINGAPORE



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### Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

We celebrated our first Thanksgiving in Thailand and although it was difficult at times we had a great holiday. We had turkey, dressing, and sweet potatoes. It was a good time of fellowship with friends and family. We are so thankful the Lord placed other missionaries in our lives to ease the pain of being so far away from home on holidays.

The Thanksgiving holiday was definitely made much more enjoyable because of visit from my parents. They were able to spend a great deal of time with us and we had an amazing visit. We were so sad to see them go, especially the children, but so thankful for the time we were able to spend together.

Please pray for us as we travel to Singapore this month to get our approved visas. You have been praying with us for a long time and our prayers have been answered. To receive our religious visas in just under a year is very quick in Thailand and we are grateful. Since we have to travel at a moments notice and it is during a busy travel season our costs for this trip have increased considerably. However, we are thankful for the donations of some of our supporters and especially our sending church for graciously providing for our visa needs. Please pray for safety and the Lord's provision for our trip to Singapore.

I wanted to take the time and explain what our visa means for us, why we have to travel to Singapore, and why we have to travel so soon. When we arrived we had a tourist visa that was only good for a year and required us to travel across the Cambodian border every 90 days. Since we are changing our visa from a tourist visa to a non-immigrant visa Thailand requires us to report to a major Thai Embassy outside of the country of Thailand. We chose 6 months ago to travel to Singapore, not realizing the timing of approval nor the change in expenses. Now that the visa's are approved, they are time sensitive, and we were given 30 days to travel to Singapore and pick them up. Our goal was to get there as quick as possible. However, the cost of tickets has dictated to us when we should travel. The great news about enduring this process is that this visa will allow us to minister in the country indefinitely with only a yearly report to the Embassy in Bangkok.

### PRAYER REQUEST

- Funds for a vehicle (\$8,900 remaining)
- Salvation of English Students

Serving the Savior,  
*Brian P. Cone*