

Voice of Peace Annual Report 2012

A Challenging Year with Many New Developments

Thanks to the Lord for **His faithfulness** and great care during the past year which He has shown us by providing the good cooperation and collaboration from many people, both nationally and internationally who support VOP mission. My grateful thanks go to all partners, as well as donors and supporters that made VOP projects possible. Our concern is that people all over Thailand and neighboring countries will receive the message of Jesus.

It has been a challenge to come to VOP as a **new director**. The staff has given me a very warm welcome and they have all pledged their good cooperation in doing the media ministry of Voice of Peace. As a Bangkokian, I have been readjusting to Chiang Mai, and especially to VOP's organizational behavior. There have been many initiative and creative projects that will encourage spiritual's growth of brothers and sisters in Christ. We seek to develop the staff's knowledge and skills in order to make them more competent both physically and spiritually so that VOP will be a true professional Christian media organization in Thailand. Above all, VOP will be truly media for God, media of God, media by God and the true Sons of God.

A highlight of the year was my **visit to Denmark** to meet the leaders of the Danish Covenant Church. I was able to share VOP's vision and mission and also to participate in events with the Church. It has been a great encouragement to know that at one of the services, a young Muslim man, who attended church for the first time, decided to receive Christ to be his savior. I am very glad to know that he attends the Church regularly.

As a celebration of VOP's 47th anniversary, VOP is producing a special book "Testimonies of Christian Leaders" to encourage and develop the spiritual life of brothers and sisters in Christ. The book is a compilation of the testimonies of 47 honorable Christian leaders, both national and international, and from different denominations and various types of leaders such as Church leaders, Pastors, Preachers, Leaders of Christian Organizations, Christian Business Men and Women. This is the new challenge for the year 2013.

Dr. Jariya Sornmayura Director, Voice of Peace



Showing appreciation to long-serving staff



Book with 47 testimonies of Christian leaders



Dr. Jariya speaking at church in Denmark

The Bible in Vision and Sound

Two major projects were launched in 2012 together with the Thailand Bible Society.

"Stories from the Bible" consists of 12 episodes from the Bible, which will be made available on DVD with three stories on each. The stories were produced in Turkey, so they have Middle-East actors and settings. The German Bible Society was the producer. These stories are excellent for using in church cell groups and Bible studies.

The other project is the **reading of the whole Bible**, using the latest version of the Thai Bible.



Planning session with Dr. Seree, Thailand Bible Society



Four different voices are used, two male and two female



Recording in mp3 format

Financial Report for 2012

VOP is grateful to the Lord, to all friends and to partners who have supported the ministry in Thailand.

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Danish Covenant Church and donations from Denmark	3,171,081 Baht
International Partners for Broadcasting	2,827,700 Baht
Sponsored Projects and Bookstore	3,037,595 Baht
Donations and Local Support	898,898 Baht
Total	<u>9,935,274 Baht</u>

Expenses:

Staff Salaries	4,492,843 Baht
Airtime for Radio and TV	1,214,955Baht
Programs and Production	629,060 Baht
Technical Equipment and Maintenance	1,000,590 Baht
Electricity and Transport	360,830 Baht
Bookstore and Follow-up material	1,024,839 Baht
PR	206,667 Baht
Office Expenses	526,986 Baht
Reserve Account	400,000 Baht
Total	9.856,770 Baht

Broadcasting with Impact

During 2012 Voice of Peace was broadcasting from 14 government radio stations and 3 TV stations and on 15 local radio stations. The VOP Community station broadcast daily in Chiang Mai and on Internet. Program formats incl. Bible Study, Children's Program, Christian Music, and Social based Evangelistic Programs, incl. a program aimed at those suffering from HIV/AIDS and their families. The Bible Correspondence Course continues to help listeners to get to know the real teaching of Jesus Christ.

Testimonies from listeners:

I used to be a very hot-headed person, angry without any reason, but two years ago I had an opportunity to listen to a bible teaching in the prison, which really touched my heart. I started to read the Bible and study the word of God by correspondence from VOP, which made me understand the teaching of Jesus. I confessed my sins and received Jesus Christ as my Savior. He has changed my life. Many thanks to God (Mr. Suraded Jarobo).

I want to express my joy of getting to know God through radio and correspondence courses from Voice of Peace. It has been a great help for me and given me a new and better life, as God has changed my life in so many ways. Thanks Voice of Peace (Ms. Kanyuwra Puheng).

Mountain People Released from Opium

Voice of Peace is cooperating with the Thai Government in the so-called "King's Project", as the King of Thailand took initiative to this project. The purpose is to help villagers stop growing opium. Voice of Peace provides training and seeks social change through a multi-media approach. A team from VOP visited a total of 34 villages in 2012 at least twice, and an average of 100 people participated in each village.

In each village, the team works with the local leaders identifying their problems. The leaders participate in producing posters, radio and video, where they highlight the problems. All villagers view the programs. The team helps the villagers develop plans for solving the problems.

In the evenings, the team works with the local churches, shows Christian movies and shares about VOP ministry. The team also participates in praise and worship with local churches.





My name is Bi, and I live in the village of Lokra. I work as a laborer. I am married and have two children. Five years ago a friend introduced me to opium, and I started injecting the drug 3-4 times a day. My wife also became an opium addict and all the money we earned was used to buy opium. Our family was very poor. Now, after meeting the team from Voice of Peace, our lives have totally changed. After we learned about God, my wife and I have been able to stop taking opium

New CDs and DVD Released

"Children of Mae La" is a CD in Karen language, produced with children from the Mae La Refugee Camp, It was during the production of this CD in Chiang Mai that the Bible School at Mae La had a devastating fire. Voice of Peace immediately helped with PR and Fundraising for the Bible School, so that they could rebuild.



"Stories from the Bible" is a series of 4 DVDs. The videos are produced in the Middle East and Voice of Peace has added Thai language soundtracks. These videos are ildeal for use in church cell groups and in Bible study groups.

"AMEN" is an album with new worship songs, especially for youth. It has been produced in cooperation with music and singing groups from churches in Chiang Mai, as well as Voice of Peace staff.

Voice of Peace Extends its Services to all Churches and Christian Organizations.

Voice of Peace is ready to work with all churches, providing professional recordings. Churches are welcome to contact VOP for working together on productions. Our professional music studio with musical instruments is available, and an excellent professional television studio can be used for different kinds of productions.

During 2013 VOP will expand its services to include more printed media, leadership seminars and workshops.

Voice of Peace invites you to be a blessed partner in the ministry. Please contact us and we will be happy to add you to our mailing list for regular news.

You are also invited to become an **Orchid Member**. We have three kinds of orchid members: Classical, White, and Gold. Membership levels are based on the amount members pledge to support VOP ministry.







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