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The prolonged isolation with Tim in the States and me here in Thailand is not easy. I am so glad for technology that enables Tim and I to communicate and even see each other. But nothing is good without a good hug. Hearing from my kids and Grands and sometimes being able to see their faces and hear their voices really helps.

The two boys we are taking care of, Glah and Tan, are doing really well. I expect them to do their responsibilities and they seldom forget. The last couple of weeks they have come to me several times a day asking if there is anything I would like help with. When I've asked them to do something they get right up without a fuss and even make a game of it. Because of the isolation, I have not been able to travel to Nakhon Nayok. Moss is preaching from his home to our people there. Oat goes to the church, hooks everyone up on his phone for the music and singing. We haven't had services up here in NongKhai, but ever week Jesda preaches on the internet and the boys like listening. The village up here near the Home is mostly elderly. I often wondered why God would want us up here with a Children's Home. The village is mostly the elderly taking care of grandkids, nieces and nephews. Because of the quarantine, many of the parents are without jobs so the kids are not being properly taken care of. Knowing the quarantine was coming I made sure we were well stocked. It takes me 2 hours to get to a grocery store. We have planted a lot of vegetables and eggs from our chickens and are able to supply some food. I bought dried noodles, canned fish, sticky rice, long beans, onions and meat to distribute to those who really need help.

Roon, our 94 year old has been in the hospital for 5 days now. The doctor doesn't want her out of bed, so so her legs are swollen. At 94, I know what is coming but really don't want to think about it, she is really a blessing. She reads the Bible with the boys, prays with them, gives them treats and hugs. She is a joy to have here.

Tim use to sign off saying...In the Paddy. Now get I sign off with" From the farm...In the chicken coop...Up to my knees in "fertilizer".

A word from Tim, No flights going in to Thailand until end of June. I do have a ticket back July 2. Lord willing the country will be open. In the meantime I'm working construction.

Thank You for your support and prayers

Tim