

Greetings, Prayer Partners.

We anticipate sharing our regular update via prayer letter with you later this month. We thank you for your constant prayers on our behalf and would like to share with you an urgent need regarding our visa. Upon the beginning of next month, our current 90-day tourist visa ends. We then would receive our 1-year education visa from our Thai language school. To do this, we must leave Thailand to pick up our education visa out-of-country, then come back into Thailand on the education visa. The language school we will be going through shared with us that we would need to enter our application for the school 5 weeks prior to wanting to receive the visa so that they are able to send the information to the embassy in Bangkok and receive approval from the Thai government. We gave them our application/information with 7-8 weeks time available before the end of our tourist visa; but during the month of April, the Thai new year is celebrated where, for no less than a week, all government offices will be closed. This leads us to believe our papers from Bangkok may be delivered to the very end of our tourist visa. We have plane tickets to Singapore purchased already where we hope to grab our education visa. I purchased travel insurance with the tickets so we should be able to get a refund if we need to cancel or reschedule the flight. Another option we may have is to drive from our home in Thailand to the Cambodian border, cross it, then come right back into Thailand on another 30-day tourist visa while we wait for the paperwork from our language school. Please pray the paperwork returns promptly and the Lord will give us wisdom in planning and preparation as we wait. We have been told by a host of missionaries here in Thailand that this is common (waiting almost until the last minute to be approved for visas). We find comfort in that, but we still ask you to pray for our situation. Thank you for your time in reading this email and for your prayers. God bless.

In Christ,  
Jordan Nickell