

Challenges in Vietnam

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When our contact is able to visit *Bethel they take a meal to them. This is a huge treat for the children. They love chicken!

Our brothers and sisters in Vietnam continue to face many hardships and challenges. Recently we have learned that the Covid situation has taken a dramatic turn for the worse in Vietnam, particularly in the area where the children's home is located. Unfortunately, practicing Christians have to bear the burden of being unjustly blamed for the spread of Covid. Policies are also being enacted that make daily life increasingly difficult. *Li Su has shared that the local government has given them a hard time, saying they have too many children in their home which could spread the disease. The children have had to stay at home and be in quarantine so it is not likely they are spreading the illness. They have made some changes and have learned how to deal with the situation to avoid attention from the local government. They separate the children into small groups and have



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Heading out to deliver food to those in dire need.

amazing love for the children and all those in need. It is a privilege to partner with *Bethel Orphanage. Please lift her and the children up in prayer and know that any gift you send will be greatly appreciated.

*names have been changed

House of Refuge Children's Home

Our dear friend Pastor Cyrus has been keeping us up to date about the escalating situation surrounding House of Refuge in Myanmar. Tens of thousands of people have been detained as the military control of the nation continues. Many of the young people who are detained are sent to forced labor. There are also shootings and bombings everyday. In addition to the military unrest and all the problems it has caused, **a third wave of Covid is also occurring.**



House of Refuge children are ready for school. Schools are once again closed due to a resurgence of Covid.

Previously they had been ordered to send the children to school in spite of the danger. Now the schools are once again closed. **Five of the children and Cyrus's wife, Rebekah, are suffering with symptoms of Covid.** He went throughout the capital city of Yangon trying to locate oxygen to buy, but was unable to secure any. Even the hospitals are out or running low, resulting in thousands of deaths.



People trying to obtain oxygen for sick family members.

He also reported that eight of the children were required to return to their home villages to secure ID cards. They were concerned because ID's are being checked constantly and these children are in danger of being detained without proper ID. Presently they are unable to return to House of Refuge.

Sending funds to Cyrus and House of Refuge continues to be challenging, but as food and medicine prices skyrocket they are counting on our unwavering support. As you can see, life remains difficult for our precious friends in Myanmar. Every time we have visited with them we are so impressed with the love and care the children receive. It is heartbreaking to know they are suffering. Please keep them in your prayers and prayerfully consider a gift to help in this time of great need.

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