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It's that time of year once again. A time filled with way too many "good-byes" or as Kathy expresses it, "see you later." Life for a missionary is packed with constant endings and new beginnings.

Please pray for Katelyn as she's struggling with the reality that the majority of her close friends are seniors who will be graduating in five days. Parting company is going to be bitter sweet. Pray that the Lord would comfort her and give her the strength to step into the big shoes the seniors leave behind befriending and leading fellow and lower classmates.

Seth ends his eight month stint at Grace having done an incredible job as teacher, coach, and mentor. From mom and dad's perspective he is a gifted teacher. We were amazed to learn a few weeks back when we were talking about his future that he would be open to coming back and serving at Grace another year. The big challenge for him is that his personal savings that made this year possible have run out. In order to return next year he would need to raise \$10,000 in support. Please pray for Seth in all of this and as he possibly brings his time here to a close.

Michaela is our faithful warrior marching through life exercising her faith for friends who sometimes test that faith. She has such a big heart for others. Please pray for Michaela that she will quickly bring to the Lord the cares and needs of her friends and that she will continue to find the heart of God expressed to her through friendships. There is heartache like her big sister's going through in saying "good-bye" to those friends who she may never see again this side of heaven.

We (Don and Kathy) would appreciate your prayers as we wrap up a very full year during the last week of school. Don's involved in some interviews for hiring Thai staff for next year and last minute meetings. Then there's graduation Friday night followed by a party for juniors and seniors Kathy's been heading up, packing and closing up our house before we leave for the states next Sunday. Your prayers have sustained and carried us through a very challenging and full school year. We are so grateful for your faithfulness.

Please pray for Sy as he leads worship on the weekends at his summer job in Olympia National Park. During the week his job is to wash dishes at Lake Crescent Lodge. Pray that even in this he will make the "sink" a place of worship and experience God in his service to others.

Praise God Tad still has a job. With the layoffs of other employees he's "enjoying" the abundance of the extra work this has created. Pray for stamina, patience and a good attitude living out his faith before others. Also pray for Tad and Megan as they continue to prepare for their wedding.

Please continue to pray for the critical staffing needs at Grace. We still need a sixth grade teacher, an ESL Coordinator and an ESL teacher. Check out the web site at: www.gisthailand.org

Last but not least, here is a terrific way for you to assist our ministry doubly! Grace International School's USA foundation, GIEF, has a donor that will MATCH - dollar for dollar - all new contributors to [GIEF](http://www.GraceFndn.Org) (www.GraceFndn.Org). This is valid for gifts received through Sept., 30, 2009 - up to a total of \$1,000 each and an aggregate of \$30,000 (from individuals only; not organizations). We hope that you will prayerfully consider helping the ministry of Grace International School and by extension our ministry by reviewing and considering the GIEF website, where you can sign up and/or give. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!



Josiah, Seth, Kathy, Don, Michaela, Tad, and Katelyn

Blessings,

Don and Kathy Williams
Serving Grace International School
and the Thai National FM Churches