

INTERVIEW WITH BEN CHIT, director of Thai Youth Camp, April 23-27, 2026  
with Lois Riddick, Director of Programs & Communications, AFO



LR: Thank you, Ben, for your time today. I'd like for you to share with friends of Asia Frontier Outreach about the Thai Youth Camp in April that you are preparing for. I understand you are getting ready for 200 teenagers to come to camp. Where and when is this camp?

BEN: Sure! and thank you for the opportunity to share about this upcoming camp. As you know, March, April and May is "Summer Vacation" time in the Myanmar and Thailand school year. Camp will be held April 23-27 in the village of Na Fu, about 2 hours out of where we are in Chiang Mai.

LR: Tell me a about the campers you are expecting.

BEN: We are expecting about 200 teenagers from remote Lisu villages around Na Fu. Many of them are from underprivileged backgrounds. They need to know the truth of God's word, of how to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and of their identity in Him. They need hope for their futures. And I want to bring some fun and joy to their lives, too!

LR: What is your role in the camp, Ben?

BEN: I will be serving as an organizer, teacher, cameraman/videographer, and generally help camp to run smoothly.

LR: That was very humbly said, Ben, as I know that Christian camping experiences are a personal vision and mission of yours. I believe this is the third Thai youth camp you have organized and run, is that right?

BEN: Yes, it is. I

LR: I know that one of the exciting things about this camp is how local believers are stepping up to help support the event. Tell us more about that.

BEN: Someone else who shares a burden for the young people in her area is a special lady named Gina. When she heard about plans being made for a youth camp, she sacrificially

began raising pigs to sell and raise money for the camp. When others in her village heard what she was doing, they joined her in raising pigs, and have now raised \$1500 for the camp. There are also some area farmers who have promised donations of food during the camp.



This is Gina, introducing Pastor Lu when he spoke at her church recently.

LR: Wow! That is awesome! So, how can AFO friends help?

BEN: More than anything, keep all of us in your prayers—that God would prepare the hearts of the young people who attend; that He would provide every need; for the physical and spiritual health of the camp staff; that God would use this camp to draw many teens to Himself and change many lives.



Camp staff in prayer for upcoming Thai Youth Camp

We have a need for \$2000 more to finance this camp. Besides food, it takes a lot of staff, equipment and supplies for 200 teens for 5 days, \$2000 would be about \$10 a camper. Consider how many kids you could send to camp for \$10 each!

LR: Thanks, Ben. So AFO friends: how many kids could *you* send to camp?