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GLOBAL

LANGUAGE

English

MINISTRY PRIORITY

Abolishing Global Slavery

BIRTHDAY

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LOCATION

Global



ABOUT

Since 1986, LAURAN has been passionate about sharing the hope and healing of Jesus with victims of human trafficking and prostitution and offering prevention opportunities for those at risk. Lauran served in Chiang Mai, Thailand as the first director of New Life Center for 14 years before God led her to share her

pioneering experiences as a global consultant in 2001. Based in Europe for 18 years, Lauran traveled throughout the world encouraging Christians in their anti-trafficking endeavors. Now living in California, she continues her ministry with victims of trafficking by advising, networking and conferencing in multiple, creative ways with the global organizations serving them.



SCAN ME

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May and her husband Vi at their lovely storefront church.

“ MINISTRY STORY

It's always an honor to have the chance to preach in a worship service—particularly when it's a church planted by a former New Life Center (NLC) resident! May, orphaned and trafficked, was miraculously rescued and brought to NLC when she was just 12 years old. She quickly came to know Jesus and was excited to realize that she would never have to be alone again. Wanting to be the most effective witness to Jesus' saving love and grace, May set her sights on attending Bible school. There, she met her husband, Vi, and had two sons. They have planted a church in a suburb of Bangkok, ministering together to share God's love and salvation with people in the neighborhood.

May is finishing her master's in counseling and already effectively ministers to those who are hurting, traumatized and in need of Jesus' love and care. It's clear to those she serves that May understands the emotional pain they are experiencing. She is a living example of God's dramatic help and healing. My heart was full of joy and gratitude when I recently spent time with them. Not only was I able to bring encouragement to the congregation from God's worldwide body of believers through International Ministries, but also watched God work through May and Vi as they powerfully ministered in Jesus' name. It was truly the highlight of my year!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that May's new church would flourish and grow as more people experience God's love and healing.

Pray that ministries with trafficked women have the resources they need to be beacons of God's light and love.

Pray for my health—that I can continue to "stay the course" and encourage the development and growth of new and existing ministries with trafficked persons.

SCRIPTURE

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair."

2 Corinthians 4:7-9 (NIV)