

BORQUIST



Ann & Bruce Borquist

SOUTHEAST ASIA & JAPAN

LANGUAGES

English
Hiligaynon
Portuguese
Bahasa Indonesia
and others

MINISTRY PRIORITIES

Economic Development,
Everywhere to Everyone,
Training and Capacity
Building

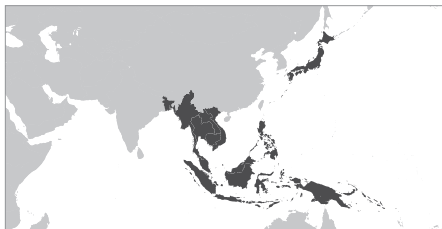
BIRTHDAYS

Ann 1/11
Bruce 9/11



LOCATION

Southeast Asia & Japan



ABOUT

Ann and Bruce serve as regional consultants with partner Baptist conventions in the Asia-Pacific Region, including Cambodia, Indonesia, New Zealand, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. They work alongside national leaders to build capacity in theological education,

church-based community and economic development, servant leadership, social entrepreneurship, cross-cultural global servant training, and ministry with refugees.

Since 1987, Ann and Bruce have served in the Philippines, the U.S., and Brazil. Most recently, in Brazil they worked with the National Baptist Convention of Brazil as co-coordinators of the Integral Mission Network and the national program of Leadership and Ministry Development and helped equip Brazilian missionaries to share the good news of Jesus Christ in Brazil and around the world.



Praise God for young people who are already “the leaders of today,” not just “the leaders of tomorrow”!



MINISTRY STORY

Good news to lift your spirit and renew your sense of hope.

Eleven people sat around folding tables in a small church we recently visited in a rural community of southwestern Cambodia. The group included young adults, a couple of teenagers, two children, and some older adults. They had come together to study the Bible and learn to apply God’s word in their daily lives.

This church is participating in a “theological education by extension” project we have been working on with the Cambodian Baptist Union for the last two years. We are delighted that the program has grown to eight groups of ten to twelve people each in two provinces. The goal is to expand to three more provinces over the next two years.

The group leader, a remarkable woman pastor, skillfully led the group through

discussion and application questions. At one point, she paused and spoke to those of us who were observing. “We have been talking about how to invite others to meet Jesus in our communities. These two young people (pointing to the two youngest members of the group) already have their own congregations. This boy is 12. He has brought 21 people to Jesus. The girl next to him has a congregation of about 40—she is 13 years old.” What incredible young people!

We’re sure the young people in your church are also doing some amazing things for Jesus. What can you do to encourage them?

PRAYER REQUESTS

Ask God to encourage and equip young people in your church and around the world to be salt and light in their families and communities.

Pray for courage and safety for those who share the good news of Jesus in hostile situations.

Praise God for our brave sisters and brothers in Christ who respond to God’s call and make a difference in their communities in spite of limited resources and ethnic and religious persecution.

SCRIPTURE

“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.”

1 Timothy 4:12 (NIV)