Peter & Kelly on The Way

Prayerletter March 2008

Dear friend,

The time has come! We have been given the green light to go! Our apartment is clean, our bags are packed, our tickets are booked... and we are flying on Monday! "But wait", you may say, "we haven't had a chance to say goodbye and send you on your way!" Don't worry, we are not going for good yet. Are you confused? Let us tell you the whole story.

Just over two weeks ago we received the news that we had been given our medical clearance, that the financial clearance was pending and that our place was booked in the OMF International Orientation Course in Singapore starting in early May. We have been waiting for that news for a long time and are so thankful that the Lord has flung wide the door. The drama is that the "go" came just over two weeks before our departure for The Netherlands on a farewell trip we planned in faith that the clearance would come. We will be connecting with and saying goodbye to our family and supporters there and will be sent out by our Dutch home church.

So suddenly from a stance of waiting we have been thrust into full speed ahead. In about two weeks we have had to confirm our trip, make our plans, pack up and move out from our apartment whilst trying to keep straight all the different strands: Europe, Singapore & Thailand, moving out, moving in, storage, and more importantly, saying goodbye to dear friends and supporters. It has felt very chaotic to us, and at first it all looked impossible, all the more so because Kelly & Lukas have been sick with colds and infections for the last three weeks. But God has provided the energy needed and generous support from people around us. As we write, we sense that some of you will be bewildered by the speed of this and we want to apologize for not sending out this message sooner; the urgency of packing obscured the importance of communication. But we *are* coming back from The Netherlands to Vancouver, from April 22 – May 4, to wrap up here and be sent out from here and say goodbye.

Invitation to our commissioning service and farewell party We will be sent out from Granville Chapel (5901 Granville Street, Vancouver) on Sunday, 27 April 2008. The service starts at 10:00 am, with a celebration after the service with food and goodbyes. If you are able to, *please come*, we would love to see you and celebrate in fellowship with the community that has gathered around us in this venture of faith.

Love and blessings,

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Praise with us:

We have been given the green light to go to Thailand!

For everything God is providing for us – we are so overwhelmed with His goodness!

Pray with us:

For Lukas' ears to completely clear before flying.

For all of us to completely be restored from our colds.

For peace in the midst of multiple transitions.

For opportunities to say goodbye to people here in Vancouver and in the Netherlands and bring closure before we start a new adventure.

