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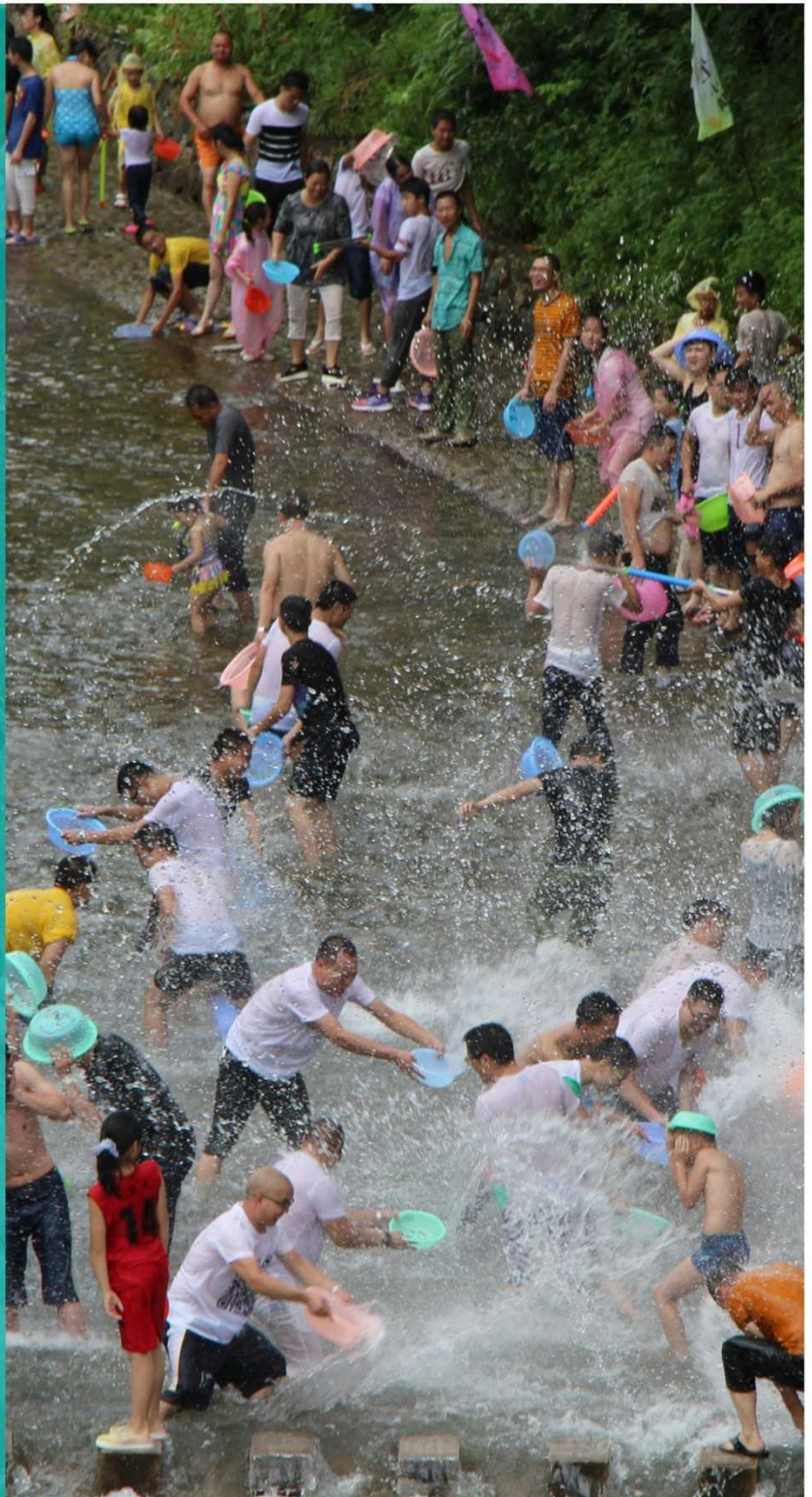
ASIA CENTER FOUNDATION

APRIL SNAPSHOT 2026

DEAR ACFRIENDS,

We have returned after the Thai end of year or 'Songkran' time. The traditional 'throwing of water' ceremonies took place all over Thailand.

I escaped this fun experience due to commitments in Singapore but as usual, Songkran was celebrated by young and old, Thai and foreigner and in most instances it was a wild and very wet experience!



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CHAMPIONING CHANGE

Become a Champion of Change

Our newly appointed ambassadors, **Lance and Gineve de Kock in Singapore**, hosted a special networking evening in April to raise awareness of our work and connect us with individuals interested in supporting ACF.

The event brought together friends and contacts from various rugby clubs, as well as expatriates living and working in Singapore, many of whom represent leading business institutions.

A special thank you to long-time rugby friends **Martin Williams from Singapore Bucks, Dan Clark, and Christian Schmollinger from the Wanderers Rugby Club** for taking the time to attend as well as present us with a special donation during our first networking event in Singapore. Your support over the years means a great deal to us!

My visit to Singapore was the highlight of my short Songkran break. It ended on a meaningful note with a special blessing from Lance and Gineve, and the entire trip provided a valuable opportunity to reflect and recharge. Thank you both for such a wonderful first initiative!



JOIN US AS A CHANGEMAKER

During the event, we also launched our new Championing Change fundraising campaign.

Joining Championing Change means becoming part of something bigger. Through ongoing monthly support or personal involvement, you become a partner in shaping brighter futures for children—not just a donor, but a real changemaker.

Real, lasting impact happens through partnership. By signing up, you can get involved in a variety of practical service opportunities with ACF, or even take the initiative to organise your own event(s) in support of our work. Please contact us for more information.



FOOTBALL FRIENDLY MATCH WITH ALL NATIONS CHURCH



Although we are still very much a work in progress, we are beginning to see how our facilities can serve and benefit the local community in multiple ways. In April, our football field was used for a friendly match hosted by members of All Nations Church, who organized a small football event. It was a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and relaxation for some, while others—the young and the young at heart—enthusiastically took to the field.

Once the football field is fully completed, we hope to make it available for rental as a grass pitch for football and skills training practice. This will not only serve the wider community but also contribute to our long-term sustainability efforts.



HOSPITALITY

We hosted the monthly pastors meeting again during April. Around 20 pastors attended and were treated to a lunch meal.

UPCOMING RUGBY ELEVENS

Despite the ongoing situation in the Middle East, excitement is already building for the Phuket International Elevens tournament, taking place on 5–6 June. We have been connected to this event since 2004 and are delighted to see it return to Thanyapura this year.

We warmly invite anyone who will be in Phuket over that weekend to attend. Our Scholarship team will be present and available to share more about our work, including the sponsorship needs we still have for the current school year.

We are also looking forward to welcoming a group of players from Australia ahead of the tournament. They will be visiting ACF to assist with several service projects—extra hands (and strong ones!) will be greatly appreciated as we work to complete a few key tasks.



Some pictures of the 2025 event

We invite new teams joining the tournament to “join the club” by considering the sponsorship of a child—continuing a tradition that began after the 2005 tsunami and has since been faithfully carried forward by eight rugby teams. Individual sponsors are also warmly encouraged to connect with us to learn more about how they can get involved. The annual cost to sponsor a child is THB 10,000.

You can change a child's entire future through sponsorship!





Although April began as a holiday, it certainly didn't end like one. Here are two key moments that stood out:

- We are delighted to share that, during April, we met with the Government and received official approval from the Education Department to register our Cornerstone Education Center—a very important milestone for our work.
- At the same time, we experienced an unexpected setback. Our 22-year-old Nissan school bus was severely damaged in an accident and is beyond repair, leaving us without transport for our students.

We are now looking to purchase a new Toyota Hilux Champ LWB at an estimated cost of THB 580,000. If you would like to contribute towards this need, please contact me at **+66 81 895 7016** or email director@asiacenterfoundation.org.

The past year was a tremendously busy one for us and we're happy with the overall progress we have made despite being challenged on so many levels.

We are deeply grateful for all the support we have received from our friends, donors and supporters and wish to thank all of you from the bottom of our hearts.

Thank you for walking alongside us during challenging times. May you all be blessed by our Heavenly Father.

Roelien and team

Please consider becoming an ACF 'Champion of Change' by supporting us monthly. For bank transfers please use the following bank details or transfer via WISE.

ACF Bank Details

(For local and international bank transfers)



For online donations to ACF's General Bank Account Please scan the QR code. (Only donors in Thailand)

- **Bank:** Siam Commercial Bank
- **Account Name:** Asia Center Foundation (Phuket)
- **Account Number:** 817 2021906
- **Type of Account:** Savings Branch: Central Festival
- **Swift Code:** SICOTHBK