

# Grace in Action

Stories of God at work in and through the GIS community



## Dtui's Story

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As a guard for eleven years at Grace International School, Dtui has had contact with many believers. Many of the teachers and parents within the GIS community have taken the time to get to know him and have invited him to church. He was never interested until a need arose in his life.

Over the last few years, Dtui and his wife have incurred significant debt, which was growing larger by the month. Last year, out of desperation, Dtui and his wife, Daa, accepted an offer to receive financial counseling from a GIS staff member and a local church planter whose children attend Grace. While the counseling was based on Biblical principles, the counselors made it clear there were “no strings attached.” They offered their services out of love for the Lord and for Dtui and Daa. This concept was puzzling to the couple. In Thai culture, there is an expectation that one “owes” another person when they receive a gift or an act of kindness.

There were other things which mystified Dtui and Daa. Where did the joy come from which Daa observed in the two GIS families she worked for as a housekeeper? Why did the Christians at GIS respond with respect and love when an unfair lawsuit was brought against the school?

These things intrigued them enough to finally accept an invitation to church. They began to learn that they owed more than just a monetary debt, but more importantly a debt of sin that was enormous but was already wiped clean by the death and resurrection of Jesus. Dtui was baptized 2 weeks ago and has made the decision to follow the God who chose to love us “with no strings attached,” when we were still His enemies.

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