



## ***FAMILY INTRODUCTION SHEET FROM THAILAND***

**SCN # 16-06-**  
Location: Mae Ramard, Tak  
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Dear Sponsor,

On behalf of Pearl S. Buck Foundation (Thailand), we are pleased to introduce you to Ma-prang Gulgasemprawitl, and her family. She was born on October 2, 2017. She is now 3 years old. She stands 3'2" and weighs 35.27 lbs. She is a Karen girl. She is a Buddhist girl who speaks Karen dialect.

Ma-prang and family lives in Ban Pala village, a high land village located around 30 km from Mae Ramard district, and around 150 km from Tak province. Most of community people are Karen hill tribes (Kapagayaw), consisting children, working age persons, and elderly persons. Main occupation of people are agriculturists who grow rice and corn, as well as collect wild things for selling with low and uncertain income. Health problems found in community are children's malnutrition, cold, pneumonia, and diarrhea. Villagers are Buddhists, while some of them still believe in spirits.

Ma-prang is in good health and has received vaccinations per schedules. In generally, she is healthy and strong. She has developments per age. She got sick sometimes when weather changed, but got well in short time after taking enough resting and medicines received from healthcare center. Ma-prang and family are benefited from government healthcare insurance program.

Ma-prang is a lovely, polite, and cheerful girl. She is attending in pre-kindergarten class at a public child development center named Ban Pala Child Development Center. It is around 1 km from her home to school. She goes to school and back home by walking with her grandmother. She receives USD 0.16 (USD 1=Baht 30) as daily allowance for buying sweets at the center. She is benefited from center free lunch program for students. She can study and learn new things in the good level. She has good developments per her age. She likes to join activities with her teacher and friends. She can get along well with all friends. She is still too young to know about what she wishes to be when she grows up. Running race is her favorite sport. Pink is her favorite color. In free time she enjoys running for fun, and playing games with her friends.

Your generous support is needed for Ma-prang as it will assist her to have more readiness in studying, and more willpower in paying good attention in studying continuously to graduate from high educational level for better future of herself and her family. Her family is very poor, her parents earn very few and uncertain income per year that is not enough to cover family's living cost and her education expenses. Without your kind support Ma-prang may decide to drop schooling before she completes compulsory level in order to help her parents working in the field to earn income for supporting whole family.

We would like to introduce you to the other members of the family: They are

<b>Given</b>	<b>Sex</b>	<b>Date/Year</b>	<b>Relations to SC</b>	<b>Health</b>	<b>Current</b>
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Name	Of Birth	Condition	Activity
Di-suay	M 1959	Grandfather	Good Farmer
Ae-cher	F 1961	Grandmother	Good Farmer

Ma-prang's parents separated since she was very young. Both of them re-married and moved to stay with their new wife and husband. They have neither visited nor sent support to her. Ma-prang's paternal grandfather, Mr. Di-suay, is 60 years old. Her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Ae-cher, is 62 years old. They grow rice for family consumption. Both of them receive government welfare allowance for elderly persons around USD 40 per month. Some of their children give them very few cash support sometimes but not often. Everyone in family is in good health. They live simply and happily together.

The family lives in small one storey half wooden and half bamboo house with leaved roof built high above the ground on public land. The house belongs to Ma-prang's paternal grandparents. It is one open room house, one corner of it was set as kitchen. They have hygienic toilet. Their house is surrounded by shady trees, and there is a large space for children to play. The house has electricity, and it is furnished with a few light tubes. The family uses water from mountain water supply system for consumption and boiled water for drinking. They cook rice and foods by using firewood. Household garbage is disposed by burning several meters away from their house.

Like any other Thai family, Ma-prang's family wishes to improve their quality of life. They dream of having their school age family members complete their education, enjoy good health, have a clean and orderly house and most importantly increase their income.

Ma-prang and her family need assistance and your sponsorship will make a difference in their lives. Your support will usher in new hope and confidence in the family as they work together for a brighter future. We commit to facilitate a family development process for this family so they achieve lasting improvement in their lives. Our foundation implements programs on **Health, Education, Livelihood and Psycho-social** development from which the family can benefit. We do this through the hand-up approach of partnership so families develop their self-help abilities to learn building up what they can do with a little assistance, motivation and inspiration from kind sponsors like you.

Ma-prang is still too young to write, so her grandfather, Mr. Di-suay, looks forward to writing to you in Thai language (original letters will be attached with English translation letters), and sharing important and interesting family events with you and your family in future.

We hope that you find this new partnership meaningful and rewarding.

Sincerely yours,



Suntaree Rangkusone  
Executive Director



Ma-prang Gulgaseprawit



Ma-prang Gulgasemprawit



Ma-prang Gulgaseprawit & Grandfather