

# HEIFER INTERNATIONAL THAILAND STUDY TOUR

## Tentative Itinerary: November 16 - 25, 2011

Date	Activity	Responsible Person	Remarks
Wednesday Nov. 16, 2012  <b>Day One</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Afternoon arrival at the Chiang Mai International Airport (CNX)</li> <li>• Heifer Thailand staff or tour agency will transfer participants from the airport to the hotel</li> <li>• Welcome Dinner with Heifer Thailand staff at the hotel (if accommodating flights are available)</li> </ul>	Noi and tour operator	Approx. 10 min. drive from to the hotel  Overnight at the <b>Sheik Istana Hotel</b> in Chiang Mai Website: <a href="http://www.sheikistanahotel.com">http://www.sheikistanahotel.com</a>
Thursday Nov. 17, 2011  <b>Day Two</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Welcome and orientation at the Heifer Thailand country office; presentation on Heifer's history, the Cornerstones, our community development model and Heifer's work in Thailand</li> <li>• Lunch at a local restaurant</li> <li>• City Tour of Chiang Mai</li> <li>• Study Tour orientation and basics session</li> <li>• Dinner at the hotel</li> </ul>	Noi and tour operator	Overnight at the <b>Sheik Istana Hotel</b>
Friday Nov. 18, 2011  <b>Day Three</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Depart for the Mae Ai district to Pong Akha Village</li> <li>• Lunch en route</li> <li>• Visit the "Empowering Marginalized Communities in Northern Thailand" Project (#22-0510-25)</li> <li>• Meet and greet with the Self-Help Group (SHG)</li> <li>• Cook dinner with host families, help prepare for the ethnic minority New Year</li> <li>• Dinner in the village, bonfire and entertainment</li> <li>• Overnight with project families – participants will be divided into small groups to overnight with different host families</li> </ul>	Noi, Northern Program staff and project partner	Approx. 3 hr. drive from Chiang Mai to the project  <b>Overnight with the Community in Pong Akha Village</b> (bring small overnight bag and leave luggage at the hotel in Chiang Mai)
Saturday Nov. 19, 2011  <b>Day Four</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare breakfast with host families</li> <li>• Witness a Passing on the Gift (POG) Ceremony</li> <li>• Lunch with the community</li> <li>• Travel back to the hotel in Chiang Mai</li> <li>• Dinner at the hotel</li> <li>• Debrief/reflection session</li> </ul>	Noi, Northern Program staff and project partner	Approx. 3 hr. drive from the project to Chiang Mai  Overnight at the <b>Sheik Istana Hotel</b>
Sunday Nov. 20, 2011  <b>Day Five</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel and check-out</li> <li>• Morning flight to Ubonratchathani via Bangkok (7:00am - 12:20pm)</li> <li>• Travel by van to Surin Province</li> <li>• Lunch en route</li> <li>• Check-in to hotel in Surin</li> </ul>	Noi and Northeast Program staff	Approx. 5-6 hr. flight  Approx. 3 hr. drive from Ubonratchathani to Surin province  Overnight in the <b>Sangkha Hotel</b> in

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and orientation to Heifer’s work in the Northeast Region</li> <li>• Dinner with Heifer Thailand Northeast staff</li> </ul>		Surin
Monday Nov. 21, 2011  <b>Day Six</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Visit the “Pilot Sustainable Community Development Project in the Northeastern Region” (#22-0510-23) – tour Kanoon Sangpok and Kokchai village and meet with Self-Help Groups (SHGs); participate in village activities such as local herb and noodle production</li> <li>• Lunch with the community</li> <li>• Visit the community forest (2 hour easy hike)</li> <li>• Dinner with the village and return to the hotel</li> <li>• Debrief/reflection session</li> </ul>	Noi, Northeast Program Officer, and project partner - The Association of Community Forest Network- Northeastern	Approx. 30 min. drive from the hotel to the project  Overnight in <b>Sangkha Hotel</b>
Tuesday Nov. 22, 2011  <b>Day Seven</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Return to the Kanoon Sangpok village and participate in the rice harvest</li> <li>• Lunch with the community</li> <li>• Return to the hotel, dinner at the hotel</li> <li>• Debrief/reflection session</li> </ul>	Noi and Northeast Program Officer	Approx. 30 min. drive from the hotel to the project  Overnight in <b>Sangkha Hotel</b>
Wednesday Nov. 23, 2011  <b>Day Eight</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel and check-out</li> <li>• Visit the Phanom Rung Historical Park in Buriram Province – Ancient Khmer Temple Complex</li> <li>• Lunch</li> <li>• Travel to Ubonratchathani and check-in to the hotel</li> <li>• Dinner at a local restaurant</li> </ul>	Noi	Approx. 2 hr. drive to the Temple and 3 hr. drive from the Temple to Ubonratchathani  Overnight at the <b>Laithong Hotel</b> in Ubonratchathani Website: <a href="http://www.laithonghotel.net/e_index.asp">www.laithonghotel.net/e_index.asp</a>
Thursday Nov. 24, 2011  <b>Day Nine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Final debrief/reflection session</li> <li>• Free afternoon</li> <li>• City &amp; historical tour of Ubonratchathani Province</li> <li>• Farewell dinner with Heifer Thailand staff</li> </ul>	Noi, Northeast program team	Overnight at the <b>Laithong Hotel</b>
Friday Nov. 25, 2011  <b>Day Ten</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel and check-out</li> <li>• Morning departure flight from Ubonratchathani to Bangkok</li> <li>• Departure flights from Suvarnabhumi International Airport (BKK) in Bangkok – AFTER 5:00pm</li> </ul>	Noi and tour operator	Participants need to plan their departure flights according to this itinerary or stay overnight in Bangkok if they desire

*\*Please note: The itinerary is tentative and subject to change at any time, even once a trip commences.*

