Testimonial

Jason Padvo sent me a testimonial about my last course that truly blessed me. I'd like to share it with you. He's already in Thailand using his new skills, serving in a refugee camp which has about 400 children. Please pray that he will persevere through all the challenges he'll face in the coming weeks. Jason writes:

"I found out about A.R.T. (Atraumatic Restorative Treatment—technique at the core of the course) after going on a mission trip to a children's home in remote Thailand and seeing kids suffering from bad teeth. I wanted to be able to do something to help them and ART sounded perfect. Being able to fix a lot of cavities with simple hand tools and paste? Sign me up! I researched and researched, and to my astonishment found only two places in the world that offered training for this - Dental Training for Missions and a university in the Netherlands. A plane ticket to the Netherlands would be a lot more expensive than one to Texas, so I signed up for Gerry's class. I'm glad I did.

Because contrary to what I thought when I signed up, Gerry's class wasn't actually about dentistry. Sure we spent hours and hours learning technique and doing patient care in a community clinic. But what the course was about, what it was really about, was sharing the love of God in a personal way through dentistry. Dental work is intimidating, and people who need help with their teeth have to trust the person who is helping them. When you honor that trust with care that is filled with love and tenderness, the impact is remarkable.

I'm typing this in the Tokyo airport on my way to serve the kids in Thailand, and while I have a lot to learn from more experience, I feel fully equipped by the training I received from the course. I would recommend this class to anyone who is looking for a uniquely powerful way to be the love of God to people who are in need." Jason Padvo



Jason (black shirt) a Model Student