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## **The Labor Department and Counter-Trafficking Training**

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*May 28, 2014. Chiang Mai, Thailand.* The Exodus Road hosted a conference for the Thai Labor Department of Region Five in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Since immigration law is a key element in cross-border trafficking, we were pleased to partner with the Thai Labor Department in an all-day seminar about trafficking as it relates to labor laws in Thailand. Nearly 200 Thai attended the seminar on May 28, 2014, along with several Western and Thai NGO representatives. The event was held at a local conference center and was provided free of charge for all attendees.

Topics covered in the key note addresses included: Immigration Law and Modern Day Slavery, Transnational Trafficking, The Importance of Collaboration, and Trafficking and Thai Law. Keynote speakers included Joel Karum of Ezekiel Rain, Colonel Appichart Hattasin of the Thai Royal Police, Matt Parker of The Exodus Road, and several key leaders from the Labor Department.

During the seminar, one of the national attendees said to The Exodus Road CEO Matt Parker, “Thank you for doing this. It’s the first time I can remember an event like this being done for us.”

Despite the global attention SE Asia has received over the last years regarding the magnitude of human trafficking in their region, The Exodus Road continues to see the need for practical training for those nationals on the front lines. We continue to observe that a lack of understanding about trafficking law or the national legal system continues to be a stumbling block for freedom.



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