

MISSION TEAM MINISTRY

"When God says, Go, people of faith do not waste time calculating the odds. They obey God's instructions and refuse to live on the edge of fear." Pastor Chuck Swindoll

<u>Purpose</u>: 1) Share in loving, respectful ways the gospel through the stories from creation to Jesus Christ, 2) Provide opportunities for team members to grow spiritually while connecting to what God is doing in Myanmar, 3) Assist the efforts of native staff & volunteers to strengthen the understanding of Christian values and beliefs among the Myanmar people, 4) Inspire non-Christians to allow God to move into their lives, 5) Participate in sharing the love of Jesus Christ in creative, entertaining ways that resonate with children



in particular, 6) Make a meaningful difference in Christianity's movement in one of the spiritually darkest areas of this world, 7) Discover God's heart for Myanmar and more importantly His heart for your role in reaching others with the Good News

<u>Where</u>: Myanmar (Burma) located in Southeast Asia sharing borders with India, Bangladesh, China, Laos, and Thailand. Population of an estimated 56 million people 88% of whom are Buddhist

By whom: Teams are prepared and led by a combination of Christians based in the USA who are experienced with the culture and people of Myanmar in cooperation with a Myanmar-based, Christian staff passionate about building God's kingdom

<u>For</u>: Team agendas are customized each year depending upon ministry priorities, conditions within the country, and the number of team members. Time is usually devoted to conducting programs in children's homes, ministering to leprosy patients and their families, and engaging with a network of disciples & house church members to encourage, educate, and empower their evangelism efforts

<u>How many & when:</u> A maximum of 15 positions are preferred. Prior team members have ranged from teenagers to seniors in their 90's. Consideration is based upon the completion & submission of an application and non-refundable deposit of \$250. Averaging 15 days, this trip is undertaken in either July or August depending upon logistics such as airline schedules and the availability of hotel rooms.

<u>Cost</u>: The cost of a typical 15-day trip is about \$1,500 which includes airfare, hotel rooms, team meals, travel insurance, and in-country transportation. The cost will vary due to the eventual length of the trip. A limited number of grants are available for 50% of trip cost.

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"Measure your success by the degree to which other people think more of God because of you." J.I. Packer