

## DISCIPLESHIP DEVELOPMENT THROUGH HOUSE CHURCH NETWORK

<u>Purpose-house churches</u>: We are about discipleship development through a network of house churches. Our small house churches are simple structures with joyful members nurtured by regularly-trained leaders. Our house

churches are less formal, but more intimate resulting in reaching people with the Gospel through close, caring relationships. As our house churches have grown, they have divided and multiplied, energizing more Buddhists to want to learn more about Jesus Christ.

<u>Purpose- discipleship</u>: Our house church leaders receive regular, scriptural-based, Christcentered training from Christians experienced with the Myanmar culture. Among our goals are to help our house church leaders with: a) their ongoing, personal spiritual development, b) their understanding of being accountable to Jesus Christ for sharing the gospel, and c) realizing the importance of conducting themselves with good will towards all others, regardless of religious backgrounds. It is our position that the attitude of our house church leaders' hearts is more important than the structure of their church buildings. Our training strives to enhance the abilities of our house church leaders to imitate the character of Jesus Christ, so they will become the disciples needed for "building" God's Kingdom in Myanmar.

<u>Where</u>: Our house church network continues to expand and currently is present in the **Karen State** (pop.1.6 million, 84.5% Buddhist), **Mon State** (pop. 2 million, 92.6% Buddhist), **Mandalay Division** (pop. 6.4 million, 95.7% Buddhist), **Tanintharyi Division** (pop. 1.4 million, 87.5% Buddhist), and **Yangon Division** (pop. 8.2 million, 91% Buddhist).

How many: Thirty-four (34) house churches with an estimated 700 members

Budget: [\$2,000 annually per house church or \$166 per month]

- Food, medicine distribution- \$34,100
- Discipleship training- \$5,200
- Coordination & travel- \$13,300
- Outreach events- \$8,500
- Supplies, Bibles- \$3,490
- Compassion Fund- \$3,500

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