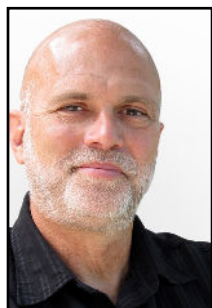


## 4th Quarter, 2017

## Midwifery Training and Pastor Conference



## We've A Story To Tell To The Nations!

*We've a story to tell to the nations, that shall turn their hearts to the right,  
a story of truth and mercy, a story of peace and light....  
For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright;  
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.*

*By H. Ernest Nichol, 1862-1928*

The Christmas season is the highlight of the year for the believers in Myanmar. They travel as far as their resources will allow to participate in Christmas Conventions. In the north of Myanmar, these conventions are so large that they are now mostly by single tribe. In the south, the conventions take a slightly different approach and are primarily for the Asian missionaries and some of the Elders and church leaders in the newer churches and regions.

In the north, a special bamboo structure is built to accommodate thousands of attendees. This year the Lisu people alone are expecting again over 20,000 for their Christmas gathering. Unlike our conventions in the USA, those attending are not staying in hotels or eating in restaurants, but rather they are basically camping. They bring their chickens, pigs, vegetables and rice with them to the gathering and they butcher them as they are needed for the upcoming meals. There is no refrigeration and so everything is prepared as needed. Their plates are banana leaves and their feasts lack nothing. Their celebration is joyful and they celebrate coming out of ***“darkness into the dawning”*** of the light of Jesus.



## 2016 Christmas Convention with 20,000 Lisu



The Christian work in the footprint of the J. Russell Morse family is now an indigenous church planting movement. The first, second, third, fourth and fifth generation of those converts that were first led to Christ in the Southwest part of China in the late 1920's and early 1930's have spread across the land. The churches in China are somewhat out of our reach for assistance at this moment, but are thriving. Since 1965, the churches in northern Myanmar have supplied missionaries and Bible College Leadership to reach into many new peoples across the country. As best we know, close to 40 tribes in Myanmar have been evangelized through these workers. On every visit, a new tribe that now has a missionary is told to us. These new workers are being sent by the churches within the country. This is exactly as it should be!

Since its inception in 1966, ACS has supplemented, supported, challenged, strategized and fueled these indigenous workers. Many of these tribes will meet us in heaven because LaVerne

Morse envisioned and nurtured these workers to keep going with the sharing of the Gospel beyond their own tribal people. The work of ACS is fruitful and still multiplying.

Over a year has passed since the home going of LaVerne, but his children and the Board of Directors have clarified and initiated new endeavors for empowering the workers in Northeast India, Myanmar and Thailand. Many of the over 40 unreached people groups are strong Buddhist or Buddhist/Animist. These are the most difficult peoples to reach. As we enter a new year, we request your prayers that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide the Asian missionaries to try new strategies and initiate new efforts to penetrate these unreached peoples. We desire that the words of the hymn become truth in Asia that ***"Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light."*** May this be your desire with us as well!

## Rakhine State Village Refugees

Norman M. Stanley — ACS Board Member

In October and November, supplies were purchased through a donation from IDES and were distributed to 12 villages of refugees of a Rakhine state tribe that will remain nameless though Christian evangelists. These Muslim and Hindu villages received rice, potatoes, beans, fish, cooking oil, and other food items along with blankets, plastic mats, mosquito nets, and medicines. These people were from western Myanmar and Bangladesh. There were 445 families displaced by the Myanmar military fighting against the tribal rebels.

Yohan Mana, the president of Myanmar Bible Institute in Northern Shan State submitted this request but could not go to the area because of his teaching responsibilities at MBI, so he asked four preachers in Sittwe of the Mro tribe to handle the purchases and distributions. Twenty years ago preachers from MBI first went to the Mro people. Now over 60% of the tribe is Christian.

At first the team was planning to distribute the items at the refugee camps, however before they distributed the materials, the government ordered the refugees back to their individual villages, so the supplies were then taken to 12 different villages which represented 2259 persons. IDES generously provided \$8,000 to help with this relief project.

Because the four preachers had to go to the 12 villages, which they hadn't visited before,

they were able to preach and pray before giving out the food and supplies. Most of the villagers had never heard of Jesus before. One of the preachers said to them, *"Your cries have been heard by God the creator. He motivated the hearts of Christians and they decided to help you. God loves you and me. He cares for you. He wants to save you not only from the present situation, but also from the sin and all the calamities of the world."*

Yohan mentioned that the relief work really opened the door for the gospel to this region. The preachers can go back to them and preach again. Thank you IDES for your help and for making this project possible. Pray that future visits will bring salvation and the hope of heaven to these who are still in darkness.



Dr. Norman Stanley



Rakhine State Refugees



Rakhine State Refugees Receiving Help



Rakhine State Aid





Simon Thaug

# Report From The Field

Simon Thaug

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Greetings from Asia Mission field. All the fellow friends are doing well under our Lord EL SHADDAI'S care even there are many challenges.

## 1. THE DIRECTORS OF IDES VISITED THE MISSION FIELD

- Rick and Nancy Jett visited the Thailand/Myanmar border and distributed food to Buddhist refugees. We shared the Good News



Refugees Needing Aid from IDES

along with our Love Gift from IDES who is one of our Partners to reach the hurting world by our Love in Action.

## 2. A PASTOR'S CONFERENCE & MIDWIFERY TRAINING WITH FAME

FAME - FAME is our partner in Medical outreach and the equipping of leaders. Fame trained about 50 midwives and 50 Christian



Rick Jett Giving Aid



Pastor Conference & Midwifery Training with FAME

FAME Training

leaders. Jeff Robinson, the Pastor from the Lincolnway Christian Church in Illinois, USA, taught Discipleship and how to share the Good News. His mother-in-law, Jane Kinnett, used to work with LaVerne Morse in the Asia Mission field in 1945-1950 in China.



FAME Pastors Conference — Jeff Robinson

**3. THE DEDICATION OF GRACE CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND PRE-SCHOOL** - Through 5 years of Preschool ministry, we have reached families and established a new church. Our newest partner STADIA funded the building and it has been done very well. Kent Odor came for the Dedication service and delivered the message. A new church in Myawady is established!



New Grace Christian Church



New Grace Preschool Space



Grace Building Dedication—Kent Odor



Grace Dedication Service

**4. THE GOT WELLS PROJECT** – The Worthington Christian Church raised funds for the "GOT WELLS" Project and we drilled 35 Wells for needy villages. They came to know God is good. We hope and pray that they will accept God's grace someday.



A New Well

**OUR CHALLENGE** - God's Kingdom is expanded by your prayer support. LET'S CONTINUE TO SHINE... REFLECT GOD'S LIGHT THROUGH YOUR LIFE. You are blessed to bless the World. (Gen.12:1-4; Gal. 3:13-16)

Your Fellow Servant in the Lord's White Harvest,  
Simon Thaug and Family



George Breuer

# The "Best Way" to Donate to Asia Christian Services

George Breuer, Treasurer

In the last few months I have had several donors ask about the "best way" to donate to Asia Christian Services. We praise God and pray for His blessing on *all* our donors, no matter how, how much, or how often they feel led by our Savior to donate. But as the treasurer, I appreciate the concern of these folks to be conscientious stewards of the resources with which He has entrusted them. When I became Treasurer in March of 2012, there was essentially only one way to give to the mission: mail in or personally deliver a check. That still works, of course, and is probably the simplest way for one-time or infrequent donors. But ACS has arranged other options for the convenience of our donors as well.

There are at least three ways to give a recurring donation to ACS.

1. One that several of our donors use is "bill pay" or some similarly named function at their banks, especially if they use on-line banking. The donor can specify how much to give and when, he or she has complete control over it; and usually the bank even pays for the postage! Donors would need to give the bank our name and address since we are not a big business like the cable TV or telephone companies (***Asia Christian Services, 9378 Mason-Montgomery Rd #326, Mason OH 45040***).
2. A second option is to set up their recurring donations via Vanco Services, a secure company that serves many churches and other nonprofits. Donors need to mail in a completed authorization, and then ACS can enter the information into Vanco's operation. I'd be happy to mail or email an authorization form to anyone interested in donating via Vanco Services. However, any changes in the future would also need to go through ACS, so it's a little more complicated and there are fees that ACS has to pay.
3. Finally, it is possible to use PayPal through ACS's web site (***www.asiachristianservices.com***).

If donors want to designate part or all of their donation for a specific facet of ACS's work, they may email ACS (***acsmission@gmail.com***) or me personally (***erbreuer@aol.com***) with that information or with any questions. God bless you all.

## Thank You From Mark Morse



Mark Morse

Thanks be to God for His Indescribable Gift! (2 Cor 9:15, NIV). During this time of giving and loving, where we reflect the love of God on those around us and those around the world, we wanted to say, "THANK YOU!" to each of you, as we are partners in this work of ***"telling the story to the nations."***

Hundreds of thousands of people in Southeast Asia now know the story of truth, mercy, peace and light, thanks to your faithfulness in prayer and provision over many, many years. At ICOM (International Conference On Missions) recently, someone said to us, "ACS is getting ready to explode." We are on the verge of powerful expansion in many areas, as we are watching how God has used so many people and circumstances to knit together a tapestry that we could not have envisioned on our own. It's fun just to watch God do things in so many people's lives and connect these people together in synergistic relationship. This story of Jesus never gets old. It is new and fresh every day. So many people are yet to hear about Him. Thank you for helping us ***"tell the story of Jesus and His Love."***

## In Memory of...

### LaVerne Morse

Marva Barrisklow  
C. Mel Cabigon  
Jon & Cinda Whitaker

### Jason Ngwazah (infant)

George & Elaine Breuer  
Ruth Margaret Johnson

### Harold LaBuff

Thomas D & Jacqueline LaBuff

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