



Faithful Stewards of God's Grace

*¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others,
as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.*

¹¹ If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God.

*If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be
praised through Jesus Christ.*

To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen. -1 Peter 4:10,11

A mission that exists to empower Asian evangelists to reach unreached Asian tribal people is unique and incredibly rewarding for everyone involved! This wonderful Biblical text summarizes well the work of **Asia Christian Services**. The Asian nationals of our team speak boldly for Jesus. They have been well trained in Biblical foundational truth. They present the gospel. They are able to speak the very words of God. On this side of the ocean, we in the USA, serve them with the strength God provides. We pray and donate funds. We pray more and donate more funds. Then, when our teammates report to us the good news about what we have been praying for, we fully rejoice with them! Faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms are the reports you will read in this newsletter. And most importantly, all this work has been done through the power God supplied. He is to receive all the glory! Amen. — Kent Odor



Simon Baptizing

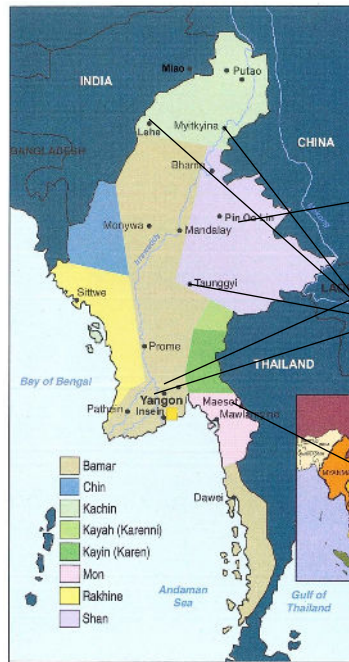


Kent Odor

Thank you for setting aside time to read this newsletter. Our evangelist teams are continuing to have great success in sharing the gospel. The current spiritual climate in the country caused by the turmoil of war has opened many hearts to listen to a message that was previously silenced. Enjoy our evangelists' stories and join them in spirit in their work.

ITEC is a new ACS partner. Founder Jamie Saint, says, "Training instead of doing on short term trips is a critical part of our model." Their report is exciting.

The delivery of tablets, projectors and hotspots is finally complete after many trials (the war, persecution, the earthquake, conscription, inflation, etc). 35 evangelism committees received those gifts with great joy. You will hear about the challenging process. The table is set for wider sharing of the gospel among those who have not yet heard. That report is inspiring. Buckle up and enjoy the journey. God is always good!



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Evangelist to Akha - A Joe

I went to the Village where my people live called Wameemai and taught them Akha literature and shared the gospel and taught them about Salvation. After Three days of teaching 2 people received Jesus Christ as their personal savior. And on 9.4.2025 This morning I am giving them Water Baptism as our Lord commanded us to do. What a great joy for Heaven. And continually pray for my ministry. Thank you.



Baptizing a New Believer

*The **Joshua Project** is an international data research mission that keeps statistics on the progress of the gospel expansion around the world. It has data on every known people group in every country and makes that data available to everyone. <https://www.joshuaproject.net>*

Joshua Project – Akha Information

Akha Population in Myanmar = 222,000

85% are Animist

10%+ are Christian

Evangelist to Bamar - Joseph Naw

My name is Joseph, and I belong to the Lisu ethnic group. My wife, Mana belongs to the Rawang ethnic group. There are four in our family. I began attending EBI Bible School in 2014 and graduated with a B.Th in 2018. Later, I pursued an M.A. at ECBS. I started evangelism and children's ministry in 2015, primarily focusing on the Burmese (Bamar) people. Currently, I am serving in a refugee village north of Yangon. Over the years, many unreached people (Buddhists and animists) have come to faith through my family's evangelistic work. The current church has been established among Buddhist neighbors, with 42 households and 70–100 members (including children and adults).

From Monday to Friday, I visit homes for evangelism, follow up with new believers, provide prayer support, and visit and pray for the sick. In the mornings and evenings, I lead devotions for about 20 children. On Saturdays, my family and I, along with some members from our church, intentionally visit elderly members in the community to help with their needs such as cleaning their houses and compounds, repairing homes, etc. On Sundays, we hold Sunday School and worship services. Many have come to understand God's love through prayer, practical help, and material support. Serving the elderly and widows, supporting children's education, and praying for the community have helped build better relationships with parents and community leaders. Preaching about Jesus Christ has led many to accept Him as Savior.

During the last month, five families decided to remove the idol shrines from their homes (because they all wanted to accept Jesus), but they were afraid of unseen powers and did not dare to destroy the shrines themselves. **I helped them, and it was amazing for them to witness that the God we worship is the most powerful.** In this spirit-worshipping community, people usually expect harm from spirits when shrines are destroyed, but no one was hurt.



Neighborhood Church reaching Bamar



Joseph Teaching

Evangelist to Bamar - Myint Lwin

I am Myint Lwin, from the Telagu tribe of Indian origin. I graduated from Monsoon Bible Training School in 2009. Our family has three members: my wife, our first daughter (2 years old), and me. We are serving among the Bamar people in, West Yangon, Myanmar. We started our ministry in 2021 by teaching Sunday School. Now, we have 8 families (26 people) worshiping in our home church. On Mondays, I teach at a Bible school. Tuesdays and Thursdays are for evangelism. On Wednesdays, we gather for home prayer service with those who can join with us. Saturdays and Sundays are for Bible study and worship service. We share the Gospel with all who are willing to listen and pray for the sick. Some have been miraculously healed in Jesus' name. Some neighbors join us for Wednesday prayer and Sunday worship. But some others do not like us and speak badly about us.

Please pray for the kids in our Sunday School, that they may come to faith in Jesus. This work is planting seeds in a socially and spiritually resistant area through kids. Your partnership helps us bring light to places where the gospel is least known. Thank you! Through your giving, I can do evangelism, teach Sunday School, and hold home worship services. May God bless you with all kinds of blessings. Thank you.

(Evangelists Joseph Naw and Myint Lwin are reaching Bamar peoples.)

Joshua Project – Bamar (Burman, Burmese) Information
Bamar Population in Myanmar = 28,950,000
94.95%% are Buddhist (Theravada)
0.1% are Christian



Sunday School Outreach



News From Manasseh

Final Exams at 18th TBC Graduation

We have been conducting the final exams for the students since last Monday, and they will be finished tomorrow. Thank you very much for remembering us in your prayers. After the exams, we will hold the 18th graduation next Monday. This year, a total of 37 students will graduate—27 with a B.Min. degree and 10 with a B.Th. degree. After graduation, Hezron and I will make a trip to Khamti to teach at KCBS for three weeks. Thank you very much. God bless you. With best regards,



Students at Tanggyi Bible College

About Our Recent Trip

Through the Lord's protection and His grace, our trip was successful and fruitful. Thank you very much for remembering us in your prayers. Leh Pan Thar Village, where KCBS is located, has about 120 households. Among them, 70 are our church members. The Lisu and Naga believers worship together in the same church, with the Naga being the majority. Hezron and I taught for three weeks, from October 24 to November 12. The faculty, students, and members of the Leh Pan Thar Christian Church were greatly encouraged by the teaching, preaching, and our visit.

We had wonderful fellowship and mutual encouragement with them. Each of us taught two subjects. Hezron taught Church History and the Pastoral Epistles. I taught The Purpose Driven Church and Practical Ministry. Among the seven KCBS faculty members, I learned that two—Jeremiah and Lone Naung—are TBC graduates. Jeremiah also serves as the minister of Leh Pan Thar Christian Church. He and his wife have two children, while Mr. Lone Naung is not yet married.

One wonderful discovery was seeing that each family has grown grapefruit trees, which are also growing on the KCBS campus. We found that the taste is the same as those in Putao. The villagers told us that the first Lisu missionaries brought young grapefruit plants from Putao, and they have continued to grow there. We also learned that the weather in Khamti is very similar to Putao, which allows the trees to thrive. Your great-grandfather and great-grandmother would be so happy to see this from heaven.

KCBS will have its first graduation on the 27th, and five students will be graduating. After their graduation, they will go to serve as seeds of the gospel in the Upper and Lower Chindwin River regions. Please remember them in your prayers. Through the Lord's grace, KCBS has become a gospel beachhead like TBC. Our trip and visit truly strengthened our relationship with our brothers and sisters there as we work together to spread the gospel. I have selected some pictures from our trip and attached them for you. Thank you very much for your support and prayers, which make our mission possible. Thank you for everything. God bless you all.

With thanks,

Your brother in Christ,

Manasseh



Departure for KCBS



Manasseh preaching at Thanksgiving Service



Grapefruit Trees on Campus



Students bid Farewell at River Side

A Jesus Film Project Update

— by Kent Odor

During December 2024 and January 2025, Sound Mind Investing gave two matching grants to establish an ACS Jesus Film Initiative. Funds were successfully raised to purchase 160 tablets and 35 projectors loaded with 40 Myanmar languages. The logistics surrounding the purchase of the equipment, the production and installation of the chips with the Jesus Film and the transportation to Chiang Mai, Thailand were significant.

Our teams in SE Asia were working hard by serving needs associated with a devastating 7.7 magnitude earthquake and unusual Monsoon flooding disaster. The original goal to deliver the equipment to the 35 Evangelism committees throughout the country was planned for May. The conference was postponed until November. On top of this, the Thai government tacked on an unexpected 20% “value” tax on the equipment.

We are now happy to report the success of several phases of the Jesus Film Initiative:

Phase 1—The transportation of all the equipment to Thailand and the installation of the Jesus Film onto all devices. Completed.

Phase 2—Transportation across the border into Myanmar and the delivery of the equipment to Myitkyina across battle zones into the north. Completed.

Phase 3—On Tuesday and Wednesday, November 11-12, 2025, the Evangelists met together to plan further expansion of the gospel throughout Myanmar. At this meeting, they heard a brief video message of encouragement from me, and then the tablets and projectors were distributed among them to be used to further share the gospel to new unreached peoples! The Evangelists were thrilled with the gifts and felt empowered even more to share the gospel everywhere. Completed.

Phase 4—November 13th onward, the Evangelists are sharing the Jesus Film with people who need Christ. This is now a new prayer request: “Lord, may this tool clearly introduce Jesus and prepare the way for the Evangelists to guide men, women and children toward salvation! Amen!” We will report new news as it comes in. Thank you to everyone for your prayers and patience as this project has proceeded. Now, God’s message of Jesus is in the hands of our teams, and the results are the Lord’s!



First Evangelists Trained in Southern Myanmar



Joshua Leme, Friend of LaVerne, gives Projectors to Naga Kampti Evangelism Committee



LaVerne's Friend, Graham Dakhumphi, gives Projector to Phi Maaw Evangelism Committee located in China



Yohan Mana, Friend of LaVerne, gives Projectors and Mega Voice to Putao Evangelism Committee



Prayer of Thanks for God's Great Love

Lasting Change in Six Days

— Norm Schenk

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We are grateful to introduce ITEC as a new ACS partner to further equip our teams in SE Asia. Norm has visited us previously with the dental organization mPower Approach. ITEC is their parent mission, and they have previously specialized work mainly in Africa and South America. This is their first visit. Welcome them and bless them in your prayers! Thank you ITEC! — Kent Odor



ITEC Team and Graduates

Some 9,000 miles away from the U.S., almost 3 million refugees from Myanmar (formerly Burma with a population of 55 million people) try to survive in makeshift camps and villages along the Thailand border. They come here to escape the civil war that has raged on since the coup in 2021.

Their dream is simple. To live in peace.

Whole families live in one-room makeshift huts without electricity or running water. Life is hard. There is little work, healthcare, dental care or aid. The needs are overwhelming. So is opportunity.



Norm Schenk

Following the calling of the Great Commission, and the model of Paul to teach sustainable skills so the trained pastors and evangelists can support themselves, help is on the way. Working alongside the ACS team, ITEC (Indigenous People's Technology and Education Center) and mPower Approach have partnered to train pastors and evangelists in basic dental care, farming techniques, and vision care. The training was done at a church started by a former dental student graduate. Once the training is completed, the trained students travel to camps and villages to practice the skills they've learned and serve those in need.



Teaching Tooth Extraction



Teaching New Skills

One clinic was set up right next to a huge trash dump bigger than several football stadiums. On one of the walls of the makeshift clinic, someone has written "Jesus loves You" in big letters. What a great backdrop for the clinic! Refugees line up early and wait patiently for hours without complaining about being seen by the newly trained graduates and supporting professionals from ITEC and mPower Approach.

"We could never reach all these people in remote locations all over Myanmar," said Norm Schenk of mPower Approach. "Through the tragedy of the civil war, the Lord has used this to bring so many in need together to be served and hear the Gospel.

Miracles happen on these trips. In five days, a team of eight volunteers plus four student graduates from previous trips train 9 dental students to extract teeth, 12 students to learn "no-till" farming techniques, and distribute over 500 pairs of glasses. Some students have traveled for two days to join the training. Long after clinics end, newly trained graduates will continue outreach.



Agricultural Training

Jamie Saint, who leads ITEC, says "Training instead of doing on short-term trips is a critical part of our model. We work with trusted international partners and mature believers, teaching them new skills that meet needs in their communities as a door opener to share the Gospel". While they are fitting glasses, fixing teeth and showing people how to grow food, they also share the Gospel. It's good news for people who wonder if anyone sees or cares about them. Though most are Buddhists, they welcome stories about Jesus., and many have been saved.

Jaimie Saint sees Thailand is an open door. By the time the team packed up, more trips are being planned.

Few organizations are willing to come here because of the high travel cost and long distance. So why travel 9,000 miles across the world to help refugees in Thailand? **Because the Great Commission commands us to go and make disciples.**

Feast of Harvest Report — by Simon Thaug

Hello, I am Simon Thaug, mission coordinator for Asia Christian Services. We are so incredibly grateful for your generous gifts and making a huge difference. Evangelists at this time are sharing Thanksgiving or “**Feast of Harvest**,” where we invite and share the good news with non-believers and homeless people. **At these events people were fed both physically with food and spiritually with the hope of Jesus.**

It is just like the Bible says, some of us plant the seeds and others water them, but God makes everything grow. We are in the field planting gospel seeds. Your support was the water that makes it possible. The wonderful work continues. Our evangelists are now following up and have the joy of baptizing those who accept Jesus as their personal Savior.

God’s Kingdom is truly expanding through your prayers and partnership. May God continue to strengthen you and bless you. Amen!



Simon Thaug



Feast of Harvest at Emmaus Refugee Village



Feast of Harvest at Mro IDP Camp



Baptism in Naga Land

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