

## Jesus Brings Hope, Joy, Redemption and a Future!

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

Dear Friends of Asia Christian Services.

This Christmas we want to say thank you to all who are with us urging brothers and sisters on to further evangelism on the other side of the world. In this edition of **UPDATE**, we want to you thank you as supporters. We also want to recognize and show you who has been connected and supported this year through ACS. Everyone pictured received some financial support through ACS this year. Some get direct support and others undesignated funds from the ACS general fund. All the workers are Asian nationals. ACS as an "International Mission" is unusual in the fact that we have no Americans living and working overseas other than those of us who engage in short term trips. The ACS Board is committed to fulfill this mission statement... ACS empowers Asian missionaries to reach the unreached, plant new churches, and disciple believers.

National Asian Leadership has been a core of ACS since it was founded in 1966. The 1971 Christian Standard had a significant article by LaVerne Morse where he spelled this strategic plan. He wrote....

"Nationals will lead! -- To reach the world with New Testament Christianity, we must multiply national Christian leadership. National Christian leaders in every country should have standards of education high enough to hold their own on a national and International level.

We as Americans on our own will never be able to reach the whole world for Christ. Paternalistic or imperialistic attitudes on the part of some Americans greatly hinder the growth and development in national leaders in New Testament Christianity ....

Levels of education and living standards are rising rapidly in non-American countries, so that American missionary paternalism becomes much more galling to national Christian leaders than it seems to have been thirty years ago. Twenty years ago about 99 percent of the thousands of Lisu and Rawang members of churches of Christ in Burma had

never had even kindergarten education. Today, thousands of them have had secular education and hundreds will be ready for college level training within the next three years.

The opportunities presented by radio, television, and other mass media - all demanding primary responsibilities by high-level national Christian leadership especially call for a review of our generally assumed, and oftentimes subconscious, dichotomy between American and "native" leadership ...." (Christian Standard, October 24, 1971, Page 7 - World evangelism demands an

effective and careful program of Training International Christian Leadership by R. LaVerne Morse)



R. LaVerne Morse

For forty-five years LaVerne put into practice that philosophy of training many Asian nationals. Through the years, thousands have been trained through the Bible Colleges started since that time. ACS desires to continue to train and send out more and more church planters and Christian workers. That is the core of this mission. As you have supported evangelists, teachers, radio broadcasters, writers, students, even orphan children, know without doubt that all has been done to bring Christ to the Asian nations. "37 (Jesus) said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."-Matt 9:38,39. Thank you for your ongoing support and your prayers for each worker. May the Lord bless you each one! Kent Odor - ACS Board Chairman







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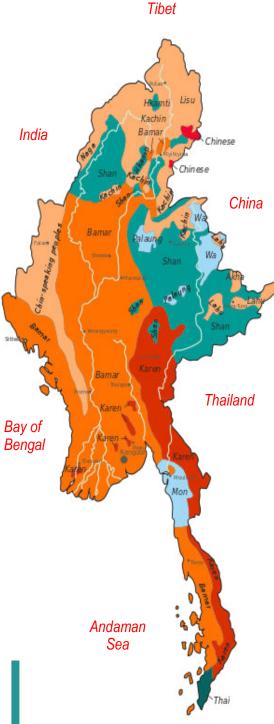






Ezra Manasseh & Naga Graduates

Lisu Gospel Radio Broadcast



Myanmar

# Challenge...

- 1. **Evangelists Fund...** ACS supports many evangelists from our undesignated General Fund. These funds are distributed in the country monthly by an accountability team. Often the support given is inadequate to meet the needs of the evangelists so that they are hindered from the steady work of church planting and evangelism because they must do other work to provide for their families. Designated giving of \$100 \$200 is needed depending on the area of the country where the evangelist serves. Regular support to this fund allows us to call trained evangelists into full-time Christian service. This is a great need.
- 2. **Motorcycle...** Titus Bee is a Bible College Professor, Evangelist and Church planter who has served the Lord faithfully for many years. His more than 10-year old motorcycle is beyond repair and he regularly travels to over 30 different villages. A replacement motorcycle in his region would be about \$1200. His meager resources will not fund a replacement. This is a great need.
- 3. **Land and Building...** Matching funds are needed to secure a Grant from the Solomon Foundation for \$7,500. These total funds of \$15,000 (Grant plus Gifts) would complete a land purchase and build a two-story training building in the foothills of Nagaland in Myanmar. The Naga preachers and elders will walk days to receive regular training. The Building's first floor would be for training and the second floor would be a dormitory. This Center would meet a strategic need in a very remote part of Myanmar. This effort is led by Manasseh Fish.



Manasseh and Ruth Fish

Thank you to all who hosted and shared with Manasseh and Ruth Fish during their recent visit to the USA. It was an opportunity for mutual encouragement about all God is doing and what is needed to go forward. Special thanks to Steve and

Lisa Newton who coordinated the visit. Please continue to pray for Manasseh and Ruth and their ongoing work through the Taunggyi Christian Center.



Manasseh, Cherry, and Ruth Fish

### Memorials

In memory of:

Ruth A. Boyd by John T. Boyd

**R. Paul Grimm** by M. Doylene Grimm

Erwin and Wilma Stock by the J.W. & E.L. Stock Insurance Agency

Good News! A Family responded and accepted the last Challenge to support Sai Htun and Zami Yiram who are church planters to the Ann Tribe and the Tavoyan Tribe. These two tribes represent over 500,000 unreached people. Their needs were shared in the last UPDATE. Thank you!



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