

# CO-MISSION INTERNATIONAL, INC.



## Thanksgiving

Remembering what we do  
—and why we do it.

My friend David said to me, "I was in a missions meeting last night, and the speaker said they work with native missionaries. That's just what you do. You should have heard him."

I knew who the speaker was. I just listened. David ran on, "He said they just came back from a mission trip to the Far East. They conducted a seminar and taught the native missionaries how to win their people to Jesus. And they taught them how to plant churches. And they taught them. . . ." He stopped, turned his head and looked at me and said, "No, that isn't what CO-Mission does, is it?"

David was right. That is NOT what CO-Mission does. Why would we want to go to Nigeria and teach our partners, who are winning hundreds to Christ, how to witness? Why would we want to tell our partners in northern India, who baptized over seven hundred last year, how to preach the Gospel? Why would we want to teach our partners in China, who planted hundreds—if not thousands—of churches in the past few years, how to plant churches?

No. That's NOT what we do. What we do is—we come alongside of ministries who are reaching people with the Gospel of Christ, and assist, equip, and sponsor them so they can do even better what they are already doing. These people regularly imperil their lives to preach the Word to the lost. There are many God-called, capable, experienced, successful believers in these countries who know exactly how to present the Gospel in the context of their own languages and cultures. We get to help them. We are thankful to people like David who remind us "what we do" and "why we do it."

For over ten years we have helped people who are carrying the Gospel to their own people in some of the most unreached areas of the world. And God continues to bless what we do. 🙌



### Report from Ya Mi, daughter of Pastor Ya Sae, Burma

My father (Ya Sae) held a revival in our church in the village. In this picture he is talking with a woman who gave her testimony. On the last night many young people came to the service. There were sixteen people who came to Christ, and my father baptized them immediately.

One of the ladies who came to the revival said that she was told since she was a child that she was a Christian, but she had never attended church or felt God's mercy



Pastor Ya Sae

and grace. Christ was not important for her and her family. She never read the Scriptures. And she spent most of her time gambling and drinking.



Many young people attended the revival and were touched by the Lord. Sixteen people were baptized.

But when she attended the revival meeting Christ changed her life. She repented and became a true Christian. She felt God's love and realized that Christ really did die for her sins. She saw how important it is to obey God's will. She said she has many regrets about her old life and she would never return to those things again, but will go to the church and read her Bible.

And she will pray and share the message about Jesus with others.

Another lady, after attending the revival meeting, accepted Jesus as her Savior and Lord. She said she is very blessed that she has found Jesus Christ as Savior in her old age. Now she has abandoned all her old NAT

worship [somewhat of a national nature religion among the country people of Burma] and she is a true Christian. Before, she was always worried about life after death, but now all her worries were carried away by the Lord Jesus. She is very happy that Jesus has prepared a home for her in heaven. She is happy everyday, for the Lord has done everything for her. May the name of the Lord be honored and praised. 🙌



When we purchased a small motorcycle for Pastor Ya Sae, we did not know we were getting him an entire transportation system. The lady in blue is Sister Ya, his wife, and the girls are from their orphanage.



Ginka Snejanova Raikova, Byala, Bulgaria

### A Testimony from Bulgaria

I was born in the town of Byala into a Muslim family. When my child was a baby, he became very sick with a blood disorder and I took him to the hospital. While there, a lady gave me a

book and I started to read it. It was the New Testament. Then someone told me I should go to the church in Byala and pray for my child. I went to the church and explained to the people about my son. They prayed and the child became better. The next Sunday I went to the church again. Step by step, I began to understand the love of God for me and my child. When my Muslim husband learned that I was going to the church, he quarreled with me. But I prayed very hard and God delivered us. The believers from the church knew about the tension between my husband and me and started to pray. In a few months my husband was changed by Jesus. He told me, "You can go to the church. I agree with your faith." My joy was great. And now with even more desire, I go to the church services.

I received more knowledge and learned that I must receive water baptism. A few weeks ago I was baptized.

"Thank you so very much," to my Lord Jesus Christ and to the believers and to Pastor Stanimir, who helped me out of the difficult situation in my life.

**Editor's note: We have been helping to sponsor Pastor Stanimir Todorov in Bulgaria for nearly four years. He continues to do evangelism and plant churches, often among people of Islamic background.** 🙌



From Roby Charles, Lucknow, India

### Village Bible Schools in Northern India

We have started a Youth Bible School that is reaching into the very homes of the village people of North India. God is raising up ministers from among the youth who are equipped to spread the Gospel and establish new churches in the unreached villages. These young people cannot leave their villages and local churches to attend Bible school in a far away city because they are needed by their families at home. So, my team and I are traveling from Lucknow to the villages with Bible training for young people. We are using all the government holidays to travel to these places and teach the Word.

We are seeing God prepare the hearts of these young people for the work of missionaries and evangelists. It is wonderful and exciting to see what God is accomplishing through these young men and women.

Our youth ministry is called Missionary Youth Fellowship. We have a burden to disciple all of the young Christians in the churches in the villages. Our young people at Lucknow have raised finances from among ourselves to sponsor full-day training programs. We are praying that very soon we will also be able to start these discipleship classes in the northern state of Uttaranchal where most of the population are Sikhs. The youth we are training will work alongside of their pastors to build up and expand the Kingdom of God in their areas. Please pray for our new Youth Bible Schools and Missionary Youth Fellowship. 🙌

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