

Keizer Church of Christ Short Term Mission to Yangon, Myanmar

July 3 – August 11, 2017

Myanmar Mission Overview. The Keizer Church of Christ has made a three-year commitment to oversee and conduct a yearly World English Institute campaign in Yangon, Myanmar beginning in the summer of 2017. Myanmar, also known as Burma, has been closed off to outsiders for many years but is now opening up. The time is right to make an impact for Christ in this predominately Buddhist culture. The Myanmar Short-Term-Mission (STM) will work with Philip Van Biak Liam (local minister in Yangon) for coordination and evangelistic follow-up with WEI students that are taught by members of the Short-Term Mission team. The STM is designed to enable as much Keizer participation as possible, with the hope that every year around 10 Keizer members from a variety of age groups will personally travel to Myanmar and teach in the program. To help Keizer members participate in the STM, \$10,000 annually of the AT&T Tower revenue will be dedicated to provide roughly ½ of the estimated cost for the mission. Keizer will develop partnerships with other churches & institutions to help fill out the remaining slots in the teaching program.

Keizer Member Participation. Keizer members who desire to participate in the Myanmar mission must be 18 or older and meet the following criteria.

1. Complete the World English Institute Application.
2. Supply a letter of recommendation from one of the Keizer Elders
3. Attend the WEI Sunday morning Bible class during the Spring 2017 quarter
4. Attend the Myanmar Mission Team meetings
5. Contribute at least \$200 from personal funds (not including fundraising monies) to the Myanmar mission fund

Application Overview

To complete your application, you will need to do the following:

- Commit to having your passport & VISA 30 days before your mission departure date
- Commit to teaching for a full 2-week teaching slot and identify your availability
- Read carefully & sign the release of liability, statement of faith, and WEI attitude checklist

Costs

Basic cost per person, (based on two-week teaching)

Visa for 28 days	\$50.00
Round Trip from Portland, OR (approximate)	\$1250.00
Lodging \$20/person/night	\$340.00
Meals & Incidentals @ \$15.00/day	\$255.00
Mission Fund Contribution	<u>\$200.00</u>
Total	\$2120.00

Teaching Schedule

- Teaching will occur Monday through Friday. Saturday is a free day and Sunday is occupied with worship at the two local congregations.
- Teachers will have 3-6 students per day, depending on registration interest.
- Teachers will need to arrive in Yangon on Friday or Saturday morning prior to the beginning of your first teaching shift.
- The first class of teachers should arrive on or before Saturday, July 1, 2017.
- Please mark the dates you are available below. Are you flexible? If flexible, indicate the weeks you are available for the committee to choose from.

Your First Choice

July 3 – July 14 _____

July 17 – July 28 _____

July 31 – August 11 _____

Your Second Choice

July 3 – July 14 _____

July 17 – July 28 _____

July 31 – August 11 _____

Note: approximately \$1000 per teacher is available from the Myanmar Mission Fund for members of the Keizer Church of Christ. Some teachers may need these funds and others will not. Please check the box that applies:

- Yes, I want to access \$1000 from the Myanmar Mission Fund to help cover my expenses
- No, I do not want to access funds from the Myanmar Mission Fund. Instead I will cover expenses through outside fundraising or private funds.

KEIZER CHURCH OF CHRIST APPLICATION FOR SHORT TERM MISSION (YANGON, MYANMAR)

Summer 2017

Please print, make a copy for yourself, and give application to Julie Boatner. This form must be completed for each person who plans to be a part of Keizer Church of Christ Short Term teaching team to Yangon, Myanmar. It is understood that the final selection of teachers will be determined by the Mission Committee of Keizer Church of Christ.

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell _____

Birthday _____ Current Age _____

Email address _____

Marital Status Married _____ Single _____ Widowed _____

Separated/Divorced _____ (Please attach a brief explanation)

Have you taught with WEI materials before? _____ Correspondence Course? _____

One-On-One? _____ Internet? _____

How many weeks will you plan to teach in Yangon, Myanmar? Dates?

Name of Home Church _____ Length of Membership _____ years

Name of Referring Elder _____ Phone _____

Are you willing to preach with an interpreter: Yes or No (circle one)

Do not make airline reservations until your teaching dates have been approved.

Do you have a current passport? _____ Passport # _____

Do you have any medical conditions, physical limitations, or food allergies? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please attach a separate explanation.

Mail to: Teacher Registration

Deadline: March 1, 2017 (decision will be made by March 9)

Keizer Church of Christ 5405 Ridge Dr. NE Keizer, OR 97303

Attention: Julie Boatner

Contact information: 503.393.5424; keizercc@comcast.net

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TEACHER ATTITUDE CHECKLIST

- I agree to work in the "Unity of the Spirit in the bond of Peace."
- I will be responsible for my personal health. I will disclose to the campaign leader all current health issues.
- I will IMMEDIATELY notify the Mission Leader if I experience any illness or physical difficulties or undue mental stress.
- I am willing to live in less than American standard housing.
- I am willing to eat foods that may not be what I generally like to eat.
- I will be flexible and adapt to the host culture as long as it does not violate my Bible based spiritual values.
- I agree to accept assignments that serve the best interest and success of the overall mission.
- I will lift up Jesus in my attitudes and actions and will maintain a spirit of love toward Myanmar people, toward my fellow team members, and toward the host culture.
- I will try to maintain a spirit of encouragement.
- I will go to the mission leader in the event I find myself in any kind of misunderstanding. I will seek to resolve the problem with a Christian spirit, through prayer and by seeking Biblical answers.
- I am willing to teach the assigned materials as they are written.
- I will NOT get involved in disputes with fellow teachers or students over issues unrelated to the main focus of this mission, which is to introduce people to God, Jesus, and the plan of salvation.
- I will be responsible for ALL my personal expenses. This will include the cost associated with this mission as well as any additional expenses I may incur.
- I agree with the attached MISSIONS PHILOSOPHY, and I agree NOT to encourage young people or potential church leaders to come to the US for education or any other reason.
- I agree NOT to raise financial support for any member of the indigenous church in Myanmar
- I understand that in the case of misconduct or irresolvable difference that I may be asked to leave by the Mission leader. I agree to submit to the decision of the leader and I will assume full responsibility for any additional expenses incurred by me as a result of such action.
- I understand if I have to return due to sickness or death, I, or my estate will assume full responsibility for such expenses.
- I understand that in the event I have to leave the mission prior to the scheduled return date, no refunds will be made.
- I agree not to inconvenience my hosts by staying out late or to intentionally do anything that will bring reproach on Christ or hinder me in the performance of the task of this mission.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print name _____

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RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, _____ do fully understand that, due to the difficult circumstances in Myanmar, things can happen that are beyond anyone's control. Therefore, neither I, nor anyone in my family will hold Keizer Church of Christ, or anyone connected with the mission responsible for my health, safety, or my well-being while I am in Myanmar or traveling to or from Myanmar.

I hereby release the Keizer Church of Christ from any liability for all claims and actions that I may have for bodily injury, death, property damage, or other economic loss arising from my participation in the teaching ministry in Myanmar. I further agree to bring no claim or action participating in this ministry with the knowledge that dangers may be involved, and I agree to stay in Myanmar for only _____ days. If I choose to stay longer, I do so without the support or sponsorship of the Keizer Church of Christ and its leadership.

This release of liability and assumption of risk agreement is on behalf of all members of my family including minors.

Signed _____ Date _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE NOTIFY:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Street Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

Each participant in the Keizer Church of Christ Short Term Mission to Yangon, Myanmar must agree to the following:

1. I have read and I am in agreement with the statement of faith found on the Keizer Church of Christ website (<http://keizercoc.org/about-us/what-we-believe/>).
2. I am in agreement with the following statement regarding conversion:

I believe there is one body and one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father over all. Jesus Christ is Lord of all and the sole source of salvation for all humanity. Faith in His name is the basis of the free gift of salvation and what holds the body together in unity. Upon hearing and understanding the good news revealed in Holy Scripture people are called to repent of their sins, confess Christ's Lordship, and be immersed in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God responds by forgiving all sins, indwelling the believer with the Holy Spirit, and adding the baptized to the body of Christ. (see Ephesians 4:3-6; Acts 2:37-41)

Signed _____ Date _____