

Blue Asia Grace



Time to Sow

Thank you dear partners for your faithful support. We have stayed focused and moved forward through prayers, encouragement, and looking for God's will, and if God wills it, I will be back on the mission field this spring! We don't have all the funds needed to get visas we want, so this will have to be a temporary trip. We've made arrangements for me to travel there over summer. We wanted the whole family to go, but the tickets were too much and we couldn't be assured of attaining an extension for a full six months. So I am going alone for a three month trip. The rest of the family will be in MI during my absence. It's far from ideal, but we're encouraged and determined to take this step. There are two countryside church plants that I will be coming along side, while also taking a long trip to a small town several hours away from our home in the capital. I will be making arrangements to start ordering products from the various craftsman God has already provided while also praying for new ones. We plan to begin shipping products to America this year. The profits will all go toward the raising funds for the mission.

It was fourteen years ago that I first heard of the need in this field from a visiting missionary. They weren't working there nor were they aware of anyone working there, but they spoke of the great need and the big challenges there. Since the first time we stepped foot there and spoke to missionaries on the ground, we've learned that anyone who wants to do missions there is in for a tough journey. Despite the setbacks and discouragement, we have never once flinched because God shared His love for this country with us, and instead of looking away to find something easier, we look forward toward those in there who need Jesus. We continue to envision a future where Jesus is professed and praised by their lips.

For The Curious

This country has the largest amount of dinosaur fossils in the world still in the ground.

Time to Reflect

God has consistently provided in moving us forward in this mission. My prayer continues to be for the visas we need to stay in there, and I'm tempted to fixate on why He hasn't provided this yet, but I know that He has His reasons. I do take comfort and encouragement when I reflect back on the many times He has provided. When we were first looking into the country ten years ago, we tried to find missionaries there to help inform us. We tried for three years, but it wasn't until after I graduated bible college and after we bought our tickets and nearly two weeks before we flew out that God provided someone. He providentially had two weeks off from his two jobs; the same two weeks we were set to be there. God provided when the countries borders were closed because of covid and we were losing our apartment and couldn't be there to find a new one nor move our belongings. God then provided a new apartment, which was available right away, and our church there moved our things over to the new place. When our church there prayed for a way to support their own pastors, missionaries, and ministries, God provided the idea for selling handmade products. When we prayed for craftsman, God provided Christian ministries that were making handmade products to support the various ministries. God provided a Christian woman there who has a nonprofit giving business loans to people in the church. God provided a Christian lawyer there who adamantly desires this new ministry. God provided a friend from our home church in WY who already has a business receiving imported products and shipping online orders. God provided a godly Christian man in PA who has given us a place to stay. I could keep going, but the point is after considering all that God has provided, we will stay faithful to the partnership. God provides; stay faithful everyone.

Prayer Requests

Please be in prayer

For my many travels this summer

For the whole family during the 3 month separation

For wisdom and guidance in the business ministry

For the rest of the funds needed for the fair-trade business

For our monthly financial support

Praise God

For the many ways God has provided

For healing of all the broken bones from bicycle accident

For faithful partners

