

2025 Ministries, Priorities, and Goals

#### **FHLGM Mission**

To teach, inspire, and encourage followers of Christ to serve God more effectively as Spirit-led leaders

### **MYANMAR**

- 1. Serve as Visiting Professor at Myanmar Institute of Theology (MIT) in Myanmar
  - a. Teach DMin. module for MIT theological students online
  - b. Teach intensive biblical exegetical course for MTh and select MDiv students in Chiang Mai, Thailand
  - c. Provide special lectures for the Spiritual Formation course for MIT MDiv final year students as requested
- 2. Continue advising, mentoring, and supporting MIT's president
- 3. Develop Faith, Hope, and Love Spiritual Formation Center on MIT campus
  - a. Furnish this center, once the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary building is completed
  - b. Collaborate with MIT faculty to provide programs and library resources related to spiritual formation and leadership
- **4.** Teach and encourage Burmese leaders and Christians through distribution of our books in various languages, in collaboration with Christian bookstores, colleges, and seminaries. Specific goals include: publish both a Karen and Burmese translations of the second edition of *What Can We Expect from God Now?*

## **THAILAND**

- 1. Collaborate with Kawthoolei Karen Baptist Convention (KKBC) to provide education, training, counseling, and coaching for students, pastors, teachers, and other leaders
  - a. Serve as Visiting Professor at Kawthoolei Hope Theological Seminary (KHTS), in person, for three weeks during the year
  - b. Mentor and advise KHTS administration, faculty, and staff on an ongoing basis by conducting at least two faculty workshops during the year
  - c. Conduct another two-day workshop at Kawthoolei Karen Baptist Bible School and College (KKBBSC) for faculty in Mae La Refugee Camp
  - d. Conduct workshop(s) for Kawthoolei Karen Baptist Convention (KKBC) Bible School teachers on the subject of New Testament Theology

- e. Conduct a seminar or KHTS graduates on "Spiritual Strength under Stress"
- f. Preach the charge to the graduates at KKBBSC and again at KHTS in March
- g. Provide teaching and training for KKBC pastors and church leaders in a workshop format twice: one for leaders Umpiem and Noh Poe camps at Tawnawmutaw Church outside the camps, and another inside Mae Ra Moe refugee camp.
- 2. Support and minister to IDPs in Myanmar and refugees in Chiang Mai and Mae Sot areas (by visiting, making financial donations, counseling), as opportunities arise.
- 3. Overview of key ministries in Thailand (2022-2025)
  - a. KHTS students and faculty
    - 1) KHTS NTT (Jan 2023, Oct 2023, Oct 2024, Oct 2025)
    - 2) KHTS Critical Reasoning (Jan 2024, March 2025, Winter 2026)
    - 3) KHTS Faculty Development workshops (Oct 2022, Feb 2023, Oct 2023, Feb 2024, Oct 2024, March 2025, Oct 2025? Winter 2026?)
    - 4) KHTS graduates (March 2025)
  - b. Preaching "Charge to Graduates" at both KHTS and KKBBSC (March 2025)
  - c. Mentoring key leaders, directly and indirectly: Wado, Wapang, and Tee Toh
  - d. KKBC teachers' workshops (Feb 2024, March 2025)
  - e. KKBBSC faculty workshops (Oct 2022, Feb 2024, Oct 2024, Oct 2025)
  - f. Teaching and ministry in refugee camps
    - 1) Mae La (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
    - 2) Umpiem (2024)
    - 3) Tham Hin (church leaders and faculty, Nov 2024)
    - 4) Umpiem and Noh Poe camps (Nov 2025)
    - 5) Mae Ra Moe (Nov 2025)

# **DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (DRC)**

- 1. On hold: Officially register FHLGM office in Goma, as a regional DRC ministry in collaboration with FHLGM.
- 2. Direct and mentor the FHLGM Eastern Congo team to strengthen and expand the ministry there.
- 3. Teach one or two one week intensive courses online for ULGPL (the Christian university in Goma).
- 4. Conduct Spirit-led Leadership monthly training sessions on "Saying Yes to God" for Congolese chaplains in Goma, Bukavu, Butembo, and Béni.
- 5. Translate Que Pouvons Nous Attendre de Dieu Maintenant? (What Can We Expect from God Now?) into Swahili.

## **UNITED STATES**

1. Mentor and support Burmese Masters-level students, PhD candidates, and PhD holders who are studying or staying in the USA (this includes three groups of students who meet with Tim regularly for fellowship, support, and mentoring, and several individuals).

- 2. Develop relationships with Burmese pastors from various ethnic groups as opportunities continue to emerge in St. Paul, Dallas, and elsewhere.
- 3. Preach and teach in Burmese churches, as invited, time permitting.

### WRITING/MEDIA MINISTRIES

- 1. Periodically create Biblical Reflections in English to publish on Facebook, YouTube, and Spirit-ledleader.com.
- 2. Translate select articles into Burmese for active marketing/advertising in Burmese-speaking contexts; into French for Eastern Congo; and Swahili for Eastern Congo (principally through Facebook).
- 3. Overview of writing and book distribution ministries to date and on the horizon
  - a. What We Can Expect from God Now (First edition: English, Karen, and Burmese, distributed in Thailand and Myanmar; in French for Eastern Congo)
  - b. What Can We Expect from God Now? (Second edition: English and Karen—2024; Burmese 2025—for distribution in Thailand and Myanmar)
  - c. *Spirit-led Leader* (English, Burmese, and Karen, distributed in Thailand and Myanmar; in French in Eastern Congo)
  - d. One Step at a Time (English, Burmese, Karen)
  - e. Saying Yes to God (English, Burmese, Karen, French)
  - f. Facebook articles (English, Burmese, French, and Swahili)
  - g. New book possibility: How Karen people have lived by their faith and put their faith into action amid great suffering and challenges
- 4. Explore ways to modestly update our website(s) a) to attract more support and b) to make our resources more accessible to those searching for teaching and inspiration.