



# PARENT & TEEN MISSION TEAM

Thailand, 2018

Pack your bags and join our Parent & Teen Mission Team to explore cross-cultural missions in action. We'll connect with and learn from a number of our Gateway Beyond workers, experience the culture, eat local food, meet people and share the love of Jesus. We're still confirming timing and itinerary but let us know if you're interested in finding out more as details are finalised.

## MAKE IT YOUR MISSION TO GO

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### What is the purpose of the mission team?

This team is a great opportunity for a parent to travel together with one of their teenage children and explore cross-cultural mission in action. Our one parent—one teen team format is different to a general families team, allowing a parent and teen to enrich their relationship through a shared special experience at a pivotal and influential stage in a teen's life. We value families and the desire to explore the world and expand their worldview together, and believe the parent and teen format allows for every team member to engage in the team experience in a meaningful and life-impacting way.

On this team you will experience another culture, participate in activities with a range of ministries and projects, and see Jesus in a mission context. Our itinerary is still being finalised however activities may include: contributing to and participating in children's ministry activities, visiting villages and community development projects, spending time with Gateway Beyond workers who are involved in a range of ministries, night and food markets, riding local transport, and visiting local cultural attractions.

### What countries/cities will be visited?

Thailand—Bangkok plus smaller cities and villages in northern Thailand.

### What are the approximate dates of the trip?

Date is still to be confirmed. Likely 10-14 days in school holidays 2018.

### What indigenous agencies, organisations and/or churches are the team visiting?

We will connect with several Gateway Beyond workers in urban and rural Thailand.

### What organisation is the trip endorsed by?

Gateway Baptist Church.

### What opportunities will team members have to share their giftings/passions/skills?

This team is suitable for a parent and one of

their teenage children. No particular skills or gifts required, just a heart to learn and a willingness to participate. Are you:

- Willing to come with an attitude of learning and prepared to step out of your comfort zone
- Willing to engage with local Thai people in ministry activities such as singing songs, playing games with children, telling Bible stories, and praying out loud
- Able to cope with the realities of life in a densely populated Asian country (pollution, bumpy roads, transport delays, changing itinerary) and cross cultural relationships with non-English speakers
- A team player and able to take instruction

### Maximum number of team members:

12 people

### Approximate financial commitment:

\$2,500—\$3,000 per person which includes flights, accommodation, food, transport. Regular Gateway attenders are covered by our insurance. Vaccinations are extra.

### What date do applications close?

Contact team leader

### Time commitment for team preparation, prayer and debrief:

Approx. 10 hours over 5x2 hour sessions

### Contact Team Leader Tim Hood for more info and to discuss your family's participation:

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Tim co-led our first

Parent & Teen team in

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