

SERVE ASIA

Come and explore the possibility that God could be calling you to work cross-culturally in East Asia with OMF or alternatively learn from another culture in order to inform your future ministry in the UK. Here are four short-term placements that you could join in the summer of 2024, all of which could count as a cross-cultural ministry placement from your Bible College. If they are not what you are looking for, you can find many other opportunities on our website at opportunities.omf.org or by calling us on 01732 880 322 .Please note that the application deadline this summer is 26th April 2024.

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Inflation and exchange rate statement

You are no doubt well aware of the effect that inflation is having on the cost of living. While we have given approximate costs for these placements, please be aware these may increase due to inflation. The price of flights to East Asia appears to have increased significantly compared to pre-pandemic costs. What that will mean for 2024 is still unclear.

The price of placements can also vary with the value of the Pound to other currencies. These factors are outside of our control, but you should be aware of them. If you do a diaspora placement in the UK that does eliminate some of these factors.





Reaching school children in Thailand

This opportunity is focused on reaching school children in Thailand by teaching English and coaching football in schools. There are many opportunities to visit local Thai schools. This is a way to build relationships and have an opportunity to share your faith. Spend three weeks serving in Central Thailand as part of an International Team teaching English, coaching Thai kids in football, playing matches against local teams, teaching, partnering with local churches and sharing the gospel.

A further week can be spent working alongside OMF workers in the same local area of Thailand or at the Thailand field conference giving you wider exposure to ministry in this context.

This opportunity will give you exposure to life and culture in Thailand and an understanding of the Buddhist world view.

LOCATIONThailand

DURATIONOne month, July 2024

APPROX. COST £900 plus flights



East Asians in the UK

This opportunity is focused on working with East Asian Diaspora communities in the UK. It is suited to those who would like cross-cultural ministry experience while staying the UK.

Many East Asians now live, work and study in the UK. Some are here for a few years, such as students and business people, while others have relocated to the UK on a permanent basis. Being outside of their culture often exposes them to Christianity for the first time and also allows them more space to explore faith in Jesus without the societal pressures in East Asia.

Come and be part of ministries that are trying to reach East Asians in the UK. We will provide worldview training to help you understand the East Asian mind-set.

LOCATION

UK, various locations including Belfast, Glasgow and Manchester

DURATION

November 2023 to August 2024 for 2-4 weeks

APPROX. COST

dependant on location and living situation



Theological Education

LOCATIONPhilippines

DURATION

One month, all year round.

APPROX. COST £900 plus flights

This opportunity is based at a Bible college in The Philippines. It may be suited to those who would like to explore theological teaching overseas or learn how students in another culture learn and develop theology as it interacts with the culture and the issues in that society. There would be opportunities to coach/mentor students, particularly in writing assignments and helping them with their spoken English. Being in close contact with students will give opportunity to learn about the challenges facing Christian workers in The Philippines.

There may opportunity to teach classes, under the supervision of the Bible College staff, if you have specialist knowledge in a subject or life experiences that are relevant to the courses being offered. While this opportunity may better suit mature students with life experience to draw from, younger students are still welcome to explore this option.



Student Outreach

This opportunity is focused on building relationships with students and campus staff in order to share the gospel through teaching English and extending friendships to many who are away from family and friends.

The University is located in a city in South Thailand. There is a student population of about 11,000 undergraduate and graduate students. There are also about 2,000 staff. There are currently less than 0.2% Christians on campus. We partner with Thai churches to build a bridge between them and the campus. Most of the students and staff we meet on campus are very friendly and being far away from home, they are very open to friendships and are eager to develop relationships with foreigners. If you speak English and would love to be a friend to them, come and join us.

LOCATION

South Thailand

DURATION

All year round For one month

APPROX. COST

£900 plus flights





We share the good news of Jesus Christ in all its fullness with East Asia's peoples to the glory of God.

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