KINGDOM MISSION INTERNATIONAL

Mission Trip Guide

Preparation steps, sample itineraries, and packing lists for short-term outreaches across Asia's 10/40 Window.

SHORT-TERM OUTREACHES

> *"Here am I. Send me!" — Isaiah 6:8*

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1 Welcome to the Journey

Thank you for prayerfully considering a short-term outreach with Kingdom Mission International (KMI). Whether you are coming to encourage local believers, serve a community, or simply learn what God is doing among the nations, this guide will help you prepare well.

A short-term outreach with KMI is not about leading programs on your own. It is about **serving alongside local leaders**, supporting the ministry God has already begun, and doing it with humility, flexibility, and a willingness to learn. The most fruitful visitors come ready to follow, to adapt, and to let God shape them as much as the people they serve.

> **Our heart for you:** to walk with you before, during, and after your trip; to help you serve effectively while learning from local culture and leadership; and to see lives transformed — including your own.

2 Where We Serve

KMI works across the 10/40 Window, with our headquarters in the Golden Triangle. Each field has its own character, and each has a dedicated handbook you will receive once your trip is confirmed.

Thailand — Mae Sai HQ

Our base in Chiang Rai Province, near the Myanmar and Laos borders. A hub for training, discipleship, and outreach among ethnically diverse and tribal communities.

Myanmar

Ministry among war-affected and displaced communities, often served from the Thai border.

Laos

Outreach and encouragement to believers in remote and underserved communities.

Pakistan

Training and church-strengthening in a sensitive, high-care context. Visitors receive a separate confidential briefing and must follow it closely.

> **Important:** Each location has different cultural, legal, and safety realities. Always follow the field-specific handbook and the guidance of your local KMI leader over any general advice in this guide.

3 Is a Short-Term Outreach for You?

Short-term outreaches suit individuals and teams who are:

- Willing to serve under local leadership, not lead independently
- Flexible when plans change (and they will)
- Physically able for travel, heat, and simple living
- Culturally humble and eager to learn
- Spiritually prepared and accountable to a home church
- Committed to KMI's values and code of conduct

Trips can be individual or as a group from a church or ministry. Minimum age, team size, and length are agreed with the KMI missions office based on the location and purpose of the trip.

4 Preparation Timeline

Good preparation makes a good trip. Use this timeline as your roadmap from first decision to departure.

3–6 Months Before

- Apply and confirm your trip with the KMI missions office
- Check passport validity (must be valid 6+ months beyond travel)
- Begin fundraising and set up your support team
- Research your destination; start praying for the people and ministry
- Check visa requirements and any vaccination recommendations with a travel clinic

1–2 Months Before

- Book flights in coordination with KMI
- Purchase travel insurance (required — see Section 8)
- Receive and read your field-specific handbook carefully
- Attend any pre-trip orientation or team calls
- Refill personal medications to cover the whole trip plus extra days

2 Weeks Before

- Confirm arrival details and share your itinerary with KMI and family
- Make digital and paper copies of your passport, visa, and insurance
- Notify your bank of overseas travel; arrange some local currency
- Finalize packing using the checklist in Section 7

Departure Week

- Reconfirm flights and local pickup with your KMI coordinator
- Pack your Bible, notebook, medications, and documents in your carry-on
- Rest, pray, and prepare your heart to serve and to learn

5 Sample Itinerary

Below is a typical framework for a short outreach based at our Mae Sai HQ. Your actual itinerary will be provided by KMI and will vary by location, season, and ministry focus.

Day	Typical Activities
Day 1 Arrival	Arrive at Bangkok (BKK), connect to Chiang Rai (CEI). Met by KMI team, travel to base, rest and settle in.
Day 2 Orientation	Welcome, cultural orientation, review of schedule and expectations, tour of the ministry base and local area.
Days 3–4 Serve & Learn	Join ongoing ministry: discipleship sessions, visiting churches, practical service projects alongside local leaders.
Days 5–7 Village Outreach	Travel to surrounding communities. Relationship-building, encouragement, supporting local believers and ministry activities.
Day 8 Rest & Reflect	Sabbath rest, team debrief, worship, and time to process what God is doing.
Days 9–10 Continued Ministry	Further outreach and partnership as directed by local leadership.
Final Day Departure	Pack, final debrief and prayer, travel to airport and depart.

Flexibility is essential. Schedules shift with weather, travel conditions, and ministry needs. Hold your plans loosely and trust your local leaders' judgment.

6 Packing List

Pack light, modest, and practical. Most of Asia is hot and humid; evenings in the hills can be cool. Laundry is usually possible, so you do not need an outfit for every day.

Documents & Money

- ✓ Passport (valid 6+ months)
- ✓ Visa / entry documents
- ✓ Printed & digital copies of all documents
- ✓ Travel insurance details
- ✓ Cash (USD and local currency) & a bank card

Clothing (modest)

- ✓ Loose, lightweight tops with sleeves
- ✓ Long pants / skirts below the knee
- ✓ One modest set for ministry/church
- ✓ Rain jacket or poncho
- ✓ Light layer for cooler evenings
- ✓ Comfortable walking shoes + sandals

Health & Personal

- ✓ Personal medications (full trip + extra)
- ✓ Small first-aid kit
- ✓ Sunscreen (SPF 50) & insect repellent
- ✓ Hand sanitizer & wet wipes
- ✓ Reusable water bottle
- ✓ Toiletries (travel-size)

Ministry & Daily

- ✓ Bible & notebook / journal
- ✓ Pens
- ✓ Power adapter (220V) & power bank
- ✓ Phone & charger
- ✓ Small gifts/snacks from home (optional)
- ✓ Daypack for outreach days

> **Before packing for a sensitive field (e.g. Pakistan):** follow the specific guidance in that field's handbook regarding Bibles, printed Christian materials, and what to carry. When in doubt, ask your KMI coordinator first.

7 Travel & Entry Basics

Getting There (Thailand HQ)

- International arrival: Bangkok Suvarnabhumi (BKK)
- Domestic connection: Chiang Rai (CEI)
- KMI assists with local transport where possible

Visa & Passport

- Passport must be valid 6+ months beyond travel
- Many nationalities receive visa-free or visa-on-arrival entry to Thailand — confirm for your passport
- Other fields have different visa rules — check early

Entry guidance varies by country. For sensitive fields, always follow the specific briefing you receive. Rules change — verify current requirements before you book.

8 Health, Safety & Insurance

- **Travel insurance is required** for all participants — including medical and evacuation cover
- Bring all personal medications; carry them in your hand luggage
- Visit a travel clinic early for vaccination advice
- Drink only bottled or filtered water
- Use insect repellent; check spice levels with food
- Emergency medical care is available in major centers (e.g. Chiang Rai)

Golden rule: If anything ever feels unsafe or uncomfortable, tell your KMI leader immediately. Never travel alone without informing your leader, and always keep your coordinator's contact saved.

9 Fundraising & Costs

Most participants raise support from their family, friends, and home church. Starting early makes this far less stressful.

Your costs typically cover

- International and domestic flights
- Travel insurance
- In-country food, accommodation, and transport
- Visa fees (where applicable)
- A contribution toward ministry/outreach activities
- Personal spending and gifts

> **For a detailed, current cost estimate** for your specific trip and location, contact the KMI missions office.
> *[KMI: insert trip-specific pricing or a cost range here if you wish to publish one.]*

A few fundraising ideas

- Write a personal support letter sharing your "why" and the trip's purpose
- Ask your home church about a mission fund or offering
- Share updates and invite people to partner in prayer, not only giving

10 Spiritual Preparation & Conduct

Prepare your heart

- Commit the trip and the people to prayer
- Build relationship before proclamation; share stories, not arguments
- Come to learn and serve, not to impress
- Expect God to stretch and grow you

Serve as a team

- Always follow KMI schedules and instructions
- Do not begin independent ministry without approval
- Respect translators and local pastors
- Be flexible — we serve as a team, not as individuals

> **Your conduct represents three things:** Jesus Christ, Kingdom Mission International, and the local church. Let it reflect wisdom, humility, honor, and cultural sensitivity. Your humility protects the local church.

Ready to Take the Next Step?

Contact the KMI missions office to apply, ask questions, or request a cost estimate for your trip. We would be honored to walk with you.

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"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." — Matthew 28:19