

# Rainy Season in Myanmar

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Pastor Cyrus and his wife, Rebecca, continue to expand their hearts and home to care for orphans in Myanmar. Recently they accepted four additional children bringing the number living in their home to twenty-seven including their own daughters, Mary and Esther. It is a daily struggle to provide all that is needed for this growing family. Cyrus recently asked us to supply a few things that would help make their lives a little easier. They needed a bicycle to go to and from the market to purchase food for the children. They also need additional cookware for the kitchen as well as a cupboard to store supplies in the kitchen. We were able to send funds to purchase the bicycle and some cookware, but have not been able to provide the cabinet.



New cookware helps in preparing meals for 27 hungry children

In addition, Cyrus has requested that we purchase used bicycles for the children to ride to school. Several months of each school year are during the rainy season. Daily rains makes the road difficult for the children to walk to school. As you can see in the picture, this does present a challenge for the children. For only \$500 we can provide enough used bicycles for the children to ride rather than walk through the



Bicycles would make the trip to school much easier and safer

mud. By two or three children riding together on one bicycle they can make do with eight bicycles.



House of Refuge children are ready for school

We are humbled by the precious spirit and servant attitude Cyrus and Rebecca display as they personally care for these children. It is a privilege to partner with them and ease their burden in anyway possible. If you would like to contribute to the needed supplies or monthly expenses, please designate your gift for Myanmar.



## “Worst Flood of the Century!”

This was the shocking news Reverend Thomas in India recently shared with us. Wanting to learn more, we checked the internet and found that indeed recent rains and flooding are being called the “worst of the century.” The southern



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state of Kerala has suffered the worst with over 400 lives lost. The state of Andra Pradesh where Feed My People is located has also sustained much damage. Overall more than 800,000 people are displaced and I have read as many as 2,000,000 are now living in relief camps. Staggering numbers such as these sometimes make us despair of making a difference. Our gifts to Feed My People however, will make a tremendous difference to our brothers and sisters in Christ who have lost their homes, clothing, household goods and blankets.

Due to the loss of many bridges and damage to roads and communication lines, Pastor Thomas does not know the full extent of the damage. But he shared that several pastors have lost their homes, several churches have been destroyed and many families have lost all their belongings. Many of our church members are living in the streets huddled under umbrellas. Some of the children's homes are also without clean water and in danger from rapidly spreading diseases such as cholera and typhoid.

Please consider how your gift can help these precious friends in India who are suffering and need our help. Thank you for your generosity!



The children at the Naibipet Orphanage lost their home when the church was destroyed in the flood

## New Sponsorship Coordinator Joins Global Outreach Team

We are excited to announce Diane Helke has accepted the position of Sponsorship Coordinator. We asked Diane to write a short note to introduce herself to our partners:



*My name is Diane Helke, and it is my pleasure to serve as the Sponsorship Coordinator for Global Outreach. Our son, Ricky, has been a part of the National Community Church (NCC) missions team to DR Congo since its beginning eight years ago. Through him, my husband, Rich, and I have fallen in love with the children and staff at Congo for Christ. The last four years we have joined the NCC mission team, and hope to continue making the yearly trips. I'm looking forward to working with all of the sponsors and helping out with this great ministry.*  
Diane

We are still in need of additional sponsors for the orphans at Congo for Christ who are now attending university. Your gift of \$47 or more per month will help these amazing young people become the future leaders of Congo!

*From the bottom of our hearts we thank you for joining with us as we strive to provide for hurting orphans. Bill & Renee Reed*