

Missions Sermon Outline

Summary of my personal testimony: In 2006, I lost my parents in a drowning accident when I was just 13 years old. I went through many years of pain and brokenness trying to make sense of what happened. During my sophomore year of high school I became best friends with a Christian who shared her faith with me. Through the ministry of Young Life and through my best friend in high school, I discovered that I was made for a personal relationship with Jesus. I accepted Christ on Dec. 1st, 2009 and God immediately flooded my life with a peace and a joy that only He can give! He started to heal the pain and put the broken pieces of my heart back together. Over the last 8 years I have found healing and purpose in sharing my testimony as it ministers to others. God truly does make beauty from ashes and turn mourning into dancing (Isaiah 61:3).

Summary of my calling: I first realized God was calling me to the ministry in the spring of 2014. I was a sophomore at the Agora College and was on a mission trip to Myanmar. During a time of personal prayer, He nudged my heart and I knew missions was what He was calling me to. Two years later, I was on another short-term mission trip. One hot and humid morning, as I was teaching English to students, I knew it wouldn't be the last time! Now I can say that God is making a way for me to return!

Bullet points to walk away with today...

- ❖ After years of taking Bible classes and experiencing missions in unreached places I realized: *"While all people need the gospel equally, the gospel is not yet equally available to all."* Much of the world does not have access to the Gospel like we do here in America. I am on a mission to take the Good News of Jesus to the lost and forgotten.
- ❖ Isaiah 9:2 states, *"The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness a light will shine"*. We have a responsibility to be a light to the world and take the Gospel to the spiritually dark places of the world.
- ❖ How will they know the love of their Heavenly Father unless we tell them?! Romans 10:14-15 states, *"How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"*
- ❖ I cannot return until I am 100% fully funded. Right now I am at about 80% funded and am in need of monthly pledges. I need both prayer supporters and financial supporters who are willing to commit to giving monthly \$25, \$50, or \$100 a month for two years. Would you consider partnering with me in God's calling on my life? Thank you!

***Together. . .we will spend ourselves for the unreached and forgotten!**

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