

HEALTHCARE FOR ALL

Healthcare in Toungoo, Myanmar

Improving rural communities' living conditions by providing basic healthcare

In their own words

'I have helped people suffering from many afflictions, some of whom were seriously ill. I have trained villagers to remain healthy and avoid disease.'
 Christine, diocesan health worker,
 Toungoo



MYANMAR factfile

Capital: Rangoon
Languages: Burmese, indigenous
Religion: Buddhist 89%, Christian 4%, Muslim 4%, animist 1%, other 2%
Export: Natural gas, wood products, pulses, beans, fish, rice, clothing, jade and gems
Life expectancy: 59 years (men), 65 years (women) (UN)

USPG in Myanmar

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Myanmar (also known as Burma) has one of the world's worst healthcare systems, with tens of thousands dying each year from malaria, tuberculosis, AIDS, dysentery, diarrhoea and other illnesses. For the impoverished village communities in the mountainous region of Toungoo, healthcare is scarce and sometimes non-existent. In response, the Diocese of Toungoo has set up a healthcare programme, which is having a profound impact on these rural impoverished communities. The programme runs a number of mobile medical teams, which

visit local villages to provide basic training in healthcare and nutrition. Health worker Christine, 33, said: 'I visit villages to tend to the sick, teach basic healthcare and advise local health workers – sometimes wading through rivers and travelling by bulle-cart or any means necessary to reach them.' The programme also runs a clinic, holds workshops for traditional birth attendants, and helps to improve hygiene and sanitation in remote villages by providing clean water and latrines. USPG is committed to supporting this life-saving work – and your donations are vital.

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