

CARING FOR YOUNG LIVES

# Rural Education, Myanmar

*Providing children from deprived backgrounds with an education*

### In their own words

*'The Church of Myanmar is doing mission holistically and with unconditional love – trying to be the church for others, instead of self-seeking.'*

The Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar



### Myanmar factfile

**Capital:** Rangoon (Naypyidaw since March 2006)

**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

**Cyclone:** Myanmar is still recovering from Cyclone Nargis, which devastated the country in May 2008

### USPG in Myanmar

USPG has been working in partnership with the Church in Myanmar since 1853. In 2008, USPG allocated £82,000 to support of the work of the church in areas of greatest need



## About this Project...

▶ **Target: £14,410 / €16,580 | Project 391**

Children in Myanmar, in the Dioceses of Mandalay, Yangon, Hpa-an and Sittwe, have limited access to education because there are no government-run schools in the area.

In response, these dioceses have set up schools to provide free education, as well as free boarding for children from remote villages.

In the Diocese of Mandalay, schooling is being provided for orphans and disadvantaged children and the children of migrant workers. The diocese is also catering for illiterate children from hill

tribes, where the people live in poor conditions and survive on low wages. Primary schools set up by the Diocese of Yangon are supporting children from marginalised and impoverished communities who are cut off from amenities by a lack of transport. Hpa-an and Sittwe Dioceses are supporting school and university students with scholarships and free boarding. Money donated through USPG will support these schools and boarding hostels, as well as funding school meals, uniforms and school equipment.

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