



PURPOSE

“ TO HELP BUILD A
MEDICAL FACILITY
IN NORTH VIETNAM
ALONGSIDE THE
RAINCROSS MEDICAL
GROUP IN RIVERSIDE. ”

I have the desire to make a change for the better in the world we've been given and live in. When I work, serve, and strive to make a change for the better I discover that I too am changing for the better. I encourage those around me to try their hardest to help others so that they improve upon their lives.

I look for Salvation not only with my faith, but within myself as well. This internal salvation elevates my willingness and desire to go forth within my local

community to make a change for the better, to bring salvation to others. Therefore, I got involved as a Hospital Chaplain and have been doing Chaplain work for over 5 years now.

I have yet to have the opportunity to help others abroad. The XPLORE program opened that door for me to question my willingness to reach out to another country and to bring spiritual and inner salvation to another community outside of mine.

DESTINATION



NORTH VIETNAM

- The Vietnamese government currently only invests 0.9% of its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) on the healthcare system. This only serves, roughly, 30% of the population. Thus, most Vietnamese citizens have to pay for private health care visits themselves
- In fact, health care facilities in Vietnam are among the worst in Asia due to a general lack of funding by the government in the health sector.
- The quality and availability of healthcare are especially poor in rural areas, and in some of the most remote parts of the country, healthcare is almost non-existent.
- Vietnam is still a communist country. It's capital in Hanoi still pays homage to the nation's iconic communist leader Ho Chi Minh.
- In Vietnam doctors are hard to come by in rural areas, and they tend to practice in the most advanced urban locales.





OBJECTIVE

This groundbreaking opportunity to establish a Medical Clinic, a Community and English Center in northern Vietnam has been years in the making. I'm excited to be a part of a strategic method of proclaiming the Good News and bring some salvation to this part of Asia.

The Good Samaritan ministry has brought many doctors to this region that provided direct patient care to poor and remote areas. It has built an unprecedented trust with the government that has granted the opportunity to build a facility to be used as a community gathering location, a medical clinic, and a coffee house.

DOCUMENTATION

During my visit, I plan to interview the doctors who are providing this groundbreaking new and free service to the local peoples. I'll be on hand to advise the staff on spiritual and moral matters. Provide worship services for the staff and those receiving care, provide confidential counseling, and comfort for the sick and injured.

FACTS

It's taken 20 years for the Raincross Medical Group here in Riverside to get approval from the Vietnam Government to build a medical facility north of the city Laos.



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FACTS CONT'D

1

The North and South Vietnam governments reunified back in 1976, one year after the Vietnam War. Even though there has been official unification, many locals and people abroad still say that there is a North and South Vietnam.

2

The healthcare system in Vietnam combines aspects of Eastern and Western medicine. The Vietnamese government is currently working to develop a universal healthcare plan which will cover all residents with basic medical care.

3

Vietnam is considered an atheist state. Despite this, many of it's citizens are religious. Their three main religions are Buddhism, Taoism, and Confucianism. These religions are sometimes grouped together and called the three teachings of tam giao. Now, Christianity is gaining ground in the country.

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