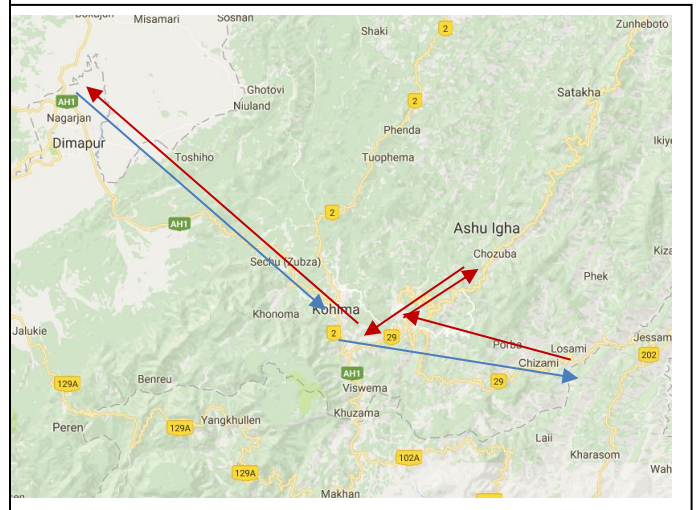
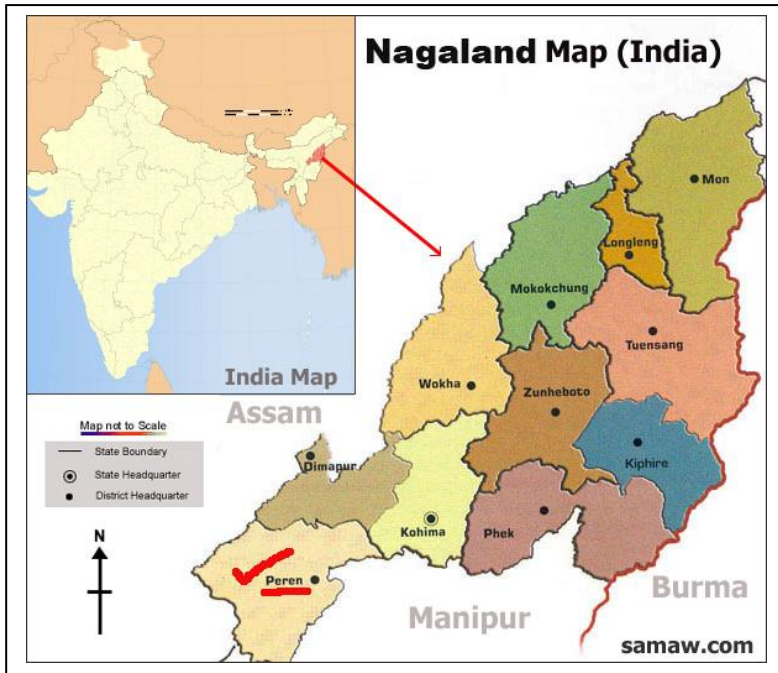


## Mission Trip to Nagaland, India Information - May 2017

We will be afforded an incredible opportunity to experience what God is doing in a completely different culture from our own. As we become immersed in the culture of Nagaland, India, our prayer is that God will speak to us powerfully as we learn to blind ourselves to distractions, listen intently to only his voice, and learn dependence upon Him. Some of us have been humbled and grateful to experience life with Zeko Wezah, and he is excited to share his homeland – both its needs and beauty – with us. This trip is not for the faint of heart. Expect to be uncomfortable and dirty. The drives from Dimapur, to Kohima, to Losami, to Chetheba, and back to Dimapur are very

long, over very mountainous terrain. You should expect this to be a little more than a back-packing trip, with no beds, and few showers. We will make sure we eat well and bathe, but this is an adventure, with raw service, and sharing good news.



1. **Dates of the Trip** – these are tentative currently, but typically, they are May 15-June 1. This is our proposed itinerary, to be confirmed with ministry partners by January 25. See bottom for details.
  - a. May 15-17 – fly from U.S. to New Delhi
  - b. May 17-18 – fly to Dimapur, Nagaland, India and drive to Kohima
  - c. May 18-21 – drive to Losami (Zeko’s village) and work for his family and village
  - d. May 21-23 – drive to Chetheba and work in Zeko’s primary school
  - e. May 24-28 – drive to Dimapur and work with Miqlat human trafficking ministry
  - f. May 28-29 – fly to New Delhi and tour around, Taj Mahal
  - g. May 30-31 – fly from New Delhi to U.S.
  
2. **Cost of the Trip** – this trip will be a little more expensive than other BCM trips. As of now, this is the anticipated costs. These are estimates, and the earlier we purchase airfare, the better.
 

a. Air travel from U.S. to New Delhi	\$800	
b. Air travel from New Delhi to Dimapur	\$250	
c. Daily expenses while in India	\$600	
d. Visa from Indian consulate in D.C.	\$150	
e. Life/medical insurance	\$45	
f. Volunteer Background Check	\$13	
g. BCM fund raising (estimated)	<del>-\$395</del>	(hopefully this will be more)
<b>h. Total owed to BCM</b>	<b>\$1463</b>	

3. **Signups, Deadlines, and Timing** – Often, mission trips like this are a journey of faith. Once one signs up, airfare will be purchased to obtain the best rates. If for some reason, one needs to pull out of the trip, there may be the need to pay a penalty because of services already purchased on one’s behalf. Otherwise, we will do what we can to repay.
  - a. **Now until Nov. 27** – Sign up with a \$200 deposit. Make checks payable to “BCM.”
  - b. **November 28 - December 9** – Airfare to New Dehli will be purchased.
  - c. **January 2 – Mar. 31** – Apply for passport, criminal background checks, researching and begin vaccinations, begin fund raising process.
  - d. **April 1 – April 30** – Visa applications, complete vaccinations, complete fund raising
  - e. **May 1** –balance of \$1800 is due
  
4. **Passport** – If you do not have one, please apply for one as soon as possible. If you have one, please check your expiration date. If it is set to expire before September 1, 2017, you should apply for a replacement. It takes about 3 weeks to receive a passport, unless you pay extra for the rush service. Please apply no later than **March 7**, to insure it is in hand by March 31.
  
5. **Volunteer Background Check** – All team members will have to undergo a volunteer background check to participate. We will provide this application later in the process. Please request and fill out all documents no later than **March 15**.
  
6. **Visa** – We will be required to apply for visas through the Indian consulate in Washington, DC. We will do this electronically 30 days in advance. (If we cannot do it electronically, it will take nearly 3 weeks to allow that process be completed for our team.) Please submit your passport to me by **April 10**. We will apply for these in mid April.
  
7. **Vaccinations & Malaria** – There are several vaccinations you are required to have. Many of them are routine ones, but there are a few exotic ones, such Typhoid and Hepatitis B, and possibly Malaria. This can possibly be an expensive proposition for you, perhaps as high as \$300. You will want to do your own research and plan for this.
  - a. You can find what is recommended/required for India at this link:  
<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/india.htm>
  - b. Please involve your parents in this process. You will want to see if your health insurance can cover these vaccinations, which will require checking with your insurance company.
  - c. To find a physician administering vaccinations, begin with your family physician. If he or she can administer them, it may be less expensive. He or she may also consider these vaccinations necessary, which may help your cause with an insurance company. If your family physician is unable to provide them, and needs to make a referral, you can check with VA travel clinics.  
<http://www.travelhealthresource.com/clinics/virginia.asp>. (One of these is in Williamsburg.) Not every doctor can dispense the Yellow Fever vaccine, and prices vary clinic to clinic. You can also check with your county health department, as you might find several of the more routine vaccinations there, which will be less expensive than your doctor or travel health clinic.
  - d. Please have all vaccinations completed by **April 30**. Spring break is a great time for this.
  - e. Malaria medicine is much simpler. There are 2 options: a weekly or daily pill. The daily pills are very cheap, like only a copay. Your doctor or clinician can talk you through this.
  
8. **Fund raising** – Contributions for your trip can be made from churches, friends, and family. Any donations on your behalf are tax deductible, provided they are made payable to “BCM,” and your name does not appear anywhere on the check. Everyone is expected to participate in any BCM fund raisers. A copy of a support letter and suggestions for how to go about fund raising will be discussed at our pre-trip gatherings and provided upon signing up for the trip.

## Detailed Itinerary for Nagaland, India Trip

### 1. Schedule of the Trip –

- a. May 15-17 – fly from U.S. to New Delhi
  - i. Turkish Airline flight leave Dulles at 11pm
  - ii. Turkish Airline flight leaves Houston (Anna) at 8:55pm
  - iii. Arrive Delhi at 4:30am
- b. May 17 – fly to Dimapur, Nagaland, India and drive to Kohima (or halfway to Losami)
  - i. Indigo Flight leaves Delhi at 8:30am
  - ii. Arrive in Dimapur at 12:30 or 1:30pm
  - iii. Drive 5 hours to Kohima or Pfdsero
- c. May 18 – drive 5 hours to Losami (Zeko’s village)
- d. May 19-20 - work for Zeko’s family and village
- e. May 21– go to church in Zeko’s villange and drive to Chetheba
- f. May 22-23 –work in Zeko’s primary school in Chetheba
- g. May 24– drive to Dimapur
- h. May 25-28 – work with Miqlat human trafficking ministry, go to church on Sunday
- i. May 29 – fly from Dimapur to Delhi
  - i. Indigo flight leaves Dimapur at 1:05pm
  - ii. Arrives Delhi at 7:00pm
- j. May 30 – tour around Delhi and trip to Taj Mahal
- k. May 31-June 1 – fly from Delhi to U.S.
  - i. Turkish Airline leaves at 6:15am
  - ii. Arrives at Dulles at 7:10pm
- l. May 29-June 2 – Anna stays to work in Dimapur; Zeko returns to his home village
- m. June 3 – Zeko and Anna fly from Dimapur to Delhi
  - i. Indigo flight leaves Dimapur at 1:05pm
  - ii. Arrives Delhi at 7:00pm
- n. June 4-5 – Zeko and Anna fly from Delhi to U.S.
  - i. Turkish Airline leaves at 6:15am
  - ii. Arrives at Dulles at 7:10pm
  - iii. Anna arrives at Houston at 7:00pm

