

UNION CHURCH MISSIONS



Team Mongolia -
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Reflections on the MONOGOLIA MISSION TRIP

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What is so special about Mongolia? Perhaps it's its vastness and mountainous landscape that made it captivating. Perhaps it was the victorious battlefield stories of Genghis Khan, or tales of the nomads, their horses and eagle hunters. For us, it was the opportunity to lead summer camp for some 35 shelter girls under Desert Rose, our church's mission partner. The trip was not without its challenges and we soon realized it is not our plans but those of God's shall prevail. And His plans are far better than ours!

We got to spend time with the families that Flourishing Future supports, having a picnic with them against the backdrop of mountains and river. We also learnt more about Heart of Mentoring and Evangelism (HOME), an NGO that supports aged-out (over 18 years old) orphans; we even had one of them being our tour guide for an afternoon! While not having ready access to flushing toilets or working showers at camp was unnerving for us city folks, we were well-rewarded by the smiles, trust and love of the girls at camp. They taught us tenacity and resilience. Despite their heart wrenching circumstances, they thrive under their teachers' care. We pray that they will come to know Christ and His love for them.

What started out as a trip to serve the underprivileged in Mongolia became a trip where each of us was blessed by our interactions with those we met. How can such strength and beauty exist in those daunting situations? We can only conclude, God did.

UC Missions July 2025 highlights

June 27 - July 5 Mongolia mission trip (6)

July 13: St. Barnabas Society and Home ministry partner lunch (30)

July 27: Baked with a Mission (Youth mission trip fundraising)

July 27: Kindness Walk (8)

June 27: Cambodia mission team departs (8)

June 27: Missions table - Mongolia mission team sharing

Pray for Mongolia:

- For religious freedom and open hearts to receive the gospel given the large non-religious population and vastness of the country
- For political leaders to have wisdom and integrity in developing a just, prosperous and godly nation
- Intercession against shamanistic practices, alcoholism, and poverty so that families can be restored
- For the growth of the church and protection for those serving in Mongolia



Behind the scenes – visiting the felt “factory” – we tried making the felt cloth for those products sold at Union Church’s Christmas Fair!



Prayers

- PRAY for the Holy Spirit to set our hearts on fire for reaching the lost, the hurting, and the marginalized in our own neighborhoods and in far away places, and sharing the Gospel with them. May the UC community be united as a church that loves unconditionally, serves sacrificially, and proclaims your truth boldly.
- Summer mission trip to CAMBODIA from July 27 to Aug 2
 - Praise the Lord for a fruitful trip - the team was blessed with good health, exceptionally good weather, and smooth travels throughout the week despite the political unrest in the Cambodian and Thai border. All the services and visits were carried out as planned. The team has experienced the joy to serve in mission, and are grateful for God’s favor.
- **Bless the City** on September 13
 - Pray for God’s guidance as we coordinate outreach efforts with eight different ministries across Hong Kong, serving unique communities from kids, elderly, to marginalized groups. This year we also have a family-friendly environmental outreach—a wonderful way for parents and young children to care for God’s creation together. May God grant us good weather to carry out all the outreach activities.
 - Pray for active engagement from our congregation in these outreach opportunities—that many would step forward to serve, and that through hands-on mission work, God would ignite a lasting passion for service in their hearts. May this experience deepen our love for Christ and our neighbors in Hong Kong.

St. Barnabas Society and Home ministry partner lunch



On July 17, we hosted a ministry partner lunch for **St. Barnabas Society and Home** to celebrate the end of the school year and another successful year of service. The new SBSH minister, Pastor Louisa Tam, shared updates and future plans for the ministry. We also presented certificates of appreciation to the youth who served during the 2024–2025 school year.