

UNION CHURCH MISSIONS



Reunited and Inspired: Stories and Photos from the Mongolia Mission Team

On August 16, our Mongolia short-term mission team hosted a special post-trip lunch sharing. It was a beautiful time of fellowship as the entire team reunited to report on how God blessed, moved, and protected during the trip. The highlight of the gathering was hearing from our younger team members, who took us on a visual journey through a vibrant video and photo presentation capturing the faces and places that impacted them so deeply. Through these stories and photos, the youth shared their firsthand experiences serving across three incredible ministries.



Thank you to parents and church members who joined us for the lunch, and to our entire congregation who had given practical support and prayed for this team. It is clear that while this trip has ended, the impact of what God accomplished in and through our team will continue to flourish. We are already looking forward to Team Mongolia 2027!

Support in Times of Need: Winter Renovation Project for Desert Rose in Mongolia

Winter in Mongolia is notoriously tough, and the facilities at Desert Rose urgently need repairs and winter preparation before the severe cold sets in. Recognizing this pressing need, the Union Church Missions Committee has unanimously voted to provide special project funding to support these critical updates. This contribution will directly fund vital repairs, including roof and chimney restoration, water filter replacements, and essential upgrades to both their heating stove and solar panel systems.

Our collective prayer is that this contribution will address these urgent needs, ensuring that the girls at Desert Rose are blessed with a warm, comfortable, and safe home throughout the difficult winter months.



An Update on the DAKORA Oral Bible Translation Project from Faith Comes By Hearing

In January 2026, Union Church launched **the Gabriel Initiative** in partnership with Faith Comes By Hearing. Through church-wide fundraising and enthusiastic participation, our congregation officially adopted **the Oral Bible Translation (OBT) of the Gospel of Mark in DAKORA**, a tribal language of a Southeast Asian people group.



The official translation work began in February 2026, and incredible groundwork has already been laid. Native speakers, serving as mother tongue translators and exegetes, have completed rigorous training to master the basic principles of accurate translation. They have also learned to navigate Render, a specialized software designed specifically for oral translation projects. Until the end of June, approximately 6% of the Gospel of Mark has been completed, and the team will continue this vital work through the remainder of the year.

As the project progresses, we invite our church family to cover this initiative in prayer. Please pray that God will sustain the physical and emotional health of the DAKORA translation team, and that the local church in their region will be enabled to provide steady, ongoing support for the project. Most of all, we pray that this translation will bear abundant fruit, allowing the DAKORA people to finally hear and receive the Gospel in their own heart language.