



## IGO VISION

The purpose of IGo is to provide students with a cross-cultural setting in which mission work, Biblical teaching and personal discipleship can take place simultaneously.

We believe that it is more beneficial to be training missionaries overseas rather than in the affluent Western setting. IGo provides students with opportunities to travel and minister in Asia, with regular returns to the classroom for teaching and mentoring by instructors. The focus is not solely theoretical; instead it addresses the everyday issues a student experiences in ministry.

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## ANNOUNCING NEW IGO SCHEDULE *Beginning August 2018*

IGo is changing the semester dates and will now be running semesters from August to April.

### **First Semester**

**August 20 - December 7, 2018**

Mid-Year Break – December 10-14

Mid-Year Ministry – December 17-28

### **Second Semester**

**December 31, 2018 - April 19, 2019**

IGo is accepting applications for one or both semesters.

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**Ministry Trip in Vietnam**

# FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Jesus told the seventy workers as He sent them forth on their mission, “The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few” (Luke 10:2a). Not only here in Southeast Asia, but throughout the entire world, the reality of Jesus’ words continues to remain true and relevant in this twenty-first century. Walking daily the streets of Chiang Mai, there are constant reminders that there are many, many hearts who have never experienced the penetrating love of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Instead of churches on street corners, there are Buddhist temples. Instead of people kneeling in worship of Jesus Christ, there are many who are bowing before the image of Buddha or burning incense at the spirit house in their front yard. The estimated statistics of Thailand’s 68.8 million people are that only 1.3% are professing Christians while 84.7% are professing the Buddhist religion. There are 114 people groups within the country of Thailand, but 82 of these people groups are still considered unreached with the gospel.

Thailand is only one of numerous countries that make up the area of the world known as the “10/40 Window.” The 10/40 Window is the rectangular area of North Africa, the Middle East, and Asia, approximately between 10 degrees north and 40 degrees north latitude, which houses the greatest concentrated area of unreached people groups. An estimated 4.95 billion individuals reside within this area, and 68.6% of the people groups are still considered unreached. It is from statistics like these that we reverberate the words of Jesus that the harvest truly is great.

Our goal at IGo is to continue to train individuals as laborers to go forth into the vast harvest. One or two semesters at IGo provides a window or a channel for North American youth, as well as married couples, to interact

with this harvest need and to open their eyes and expose their hearts to the reality of the unreached world. Quoting from the words of one of our 2017 students, “My life will never be the same.” IGo provides two semesters, which includes three terms of classes and ministry trips, as well as local ministry nights and a mentoring program.

To help accommodate the program and open the door for more to experience the opportunities that IGo provides, the semester schedule is being changed to run with a standard North American school schedule. As stated in the announcement on the front page, beginning this summer of 2018, the new semester schedule will commence, which will run from August 2018 through April 2019. Students still have the opportunity to choose to attend one or two semesters, and applications for the 2018-2019 year are currently being received.

Jesus not only said that the harvest is great, but also that we should pray that He would send forth laborers into the harvest. We here at IGo want to be a tool that will enhance kingdom building, whether locally or abroad. We covet your prayers as you beseech the Lord to send forth laborers into His harvest, and ask that you pray that God would make IGo to be a place to help enhance the vision for the gospel.

If you or someone you know would sense a calling to attend IGo or simply desire to find out more information, feel free to contact us through either of the methods listed on the front page.

- Duane Weber

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## SECOND YEAR INTERNSHIP

After an IGo student has completed two semesters, they may enter the second-year program which involves attending classes the first term of that semester. Then, instead of going on the ministry trips and attending classes the rest of the semester, they are placed in an internship with a ministry that is compatible with the calling the student is sensing from the Lord. Nancy Neufeld was a participant in the internship program this past year and served at Wisdom Tree Home in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Peter Burkholder was another participant and spent his internship in Yangon, Myanmar.



“I was blessed to have the opportunity to serve in Myanmar for three months. Most of my time was spent helping at an international school in Yangon. In addition to helping the students with their studies, I also conducted a workshop with the upper grade boys and helped the students prepare for track at the upcoming regional convention. I also studied language in my spare time. Coming to Yangon I faced a number of uncertainties and I wasn't sure what all to expect or how I would fare. But God did have a plan for me there. I had so many opportunities to share my story and to invest time into the students and Sunday school students. Almost daily it seemed like I would cross paths with individuals that God had placed there for me. Some shared their story of redemption; others were searching and just needing a friend. And at times, some tried to impress their false religion on me. In all, I was tremendously blessed and my experience far outweighed my expectations. Although I can't see into the future, I know that being in the center of God's will is the best place to be.” - Peter Burkholder

“As soon as I stepped inside, I knew this was not the place I was going to end up. The deafening noise, the strange babblings I could make no sense of, major cultural differences...I mean, who uses a hose and plastic glove to change a dirty diaper. Really??? Well, God knew differently. Over the past three months, God has done some major rearranging in my heart. I've fallen in love with the children...with this place. Faces have become names, and personalities have emerged. Some of the strange babble has become distinguishable words (thanks to a wonderful Thai teacher!). Friendships have been formed. Lessons have been learned. It still gets loud, but you kind of get used to it after a while; the place just wouldn't be the same without all these rambunctious children running around! I've even become accustomed to the whole diaper changing thing. I've had to learn to rely on God like never before. With the help of an amazing mentor, I have been guided in beginning the process of working through some major issues in my life. Yes, God has led in amazing, incredible ways. No, God is not finished with me yet. As a matter of fact, He has led me to stay on at Wisdom Tree Home indefinitely. Isn't our God just awesome?!”



“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.” Isaiah 55: 8-9  
- Nancy Neufeld



# IGO STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The IGo Board has established a Scholarship Fund to assist students with the costs of attending IGo. This fund is designed to primarily assist two groups of students. First, students spend approximately \$6000.00 to fly to Thailand and attend a four-month semester. If they would like to remain for the second semester, there is the additional expense of about \$4000.00 to complete their training. Since most young people don't have that much money available to them, the scholarship fund is available to help

them with the costs of the second semester. Secondly, a prospective student who has been involved in VS for a year or more within the previous eighteen months also qualifies for financial assistance. These students can only be helped if there is money in the scholarship fund to assist them. If you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund, please send your donation to IGo earmarked for the IGo Scholarship Fund.



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