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**Mobilizing
young adults
Celebrating
the legacy of
Dick McClain**

Raising up the next generation of leaders in cross-cultural witnessing

Your prayers and support make all the difference

Inside a cafe in Bangkok, Thailand, Abigail Moore watched as her interest in cross-cultural work and her passion for art therapy combined in a powerful way. She was leading an art project for a small group of boys who were involved in prostitution. With Abigail's instruction, they made butterflies, then shared their project with the group. "One day I will be like the butterfly and be free," one participant shared. Another

said, "My butterfly represents the ocean. The ocean has storms and waves and chaos. But the butterfly has to be strong through the storms. I want to be as strong as the butterfly, to fly through the ocean with the storms."

Abigail says, "The consistent theme was a stark contrast of the beauty and power of God against the



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darkness and depravity of everything that was going on. I thought that was really beautiful.”

Abigail was in Thailand as part of a GreenLight experience. These trips give young adults the opportunity to experience a new culture and learn about different forms of ministry, all while focusing on intentional spiritual formation.

Leaders of that recent trip to Thailand and Cambodia, Todd and Pam Attaway, say GreenLight is more of a “being” trip than a “doing” trip.

“We like to keep low expectations, but high expectancy of what God will do,” Pam says. “They’re learning to trust Jesus. They’re learning to see the faithfulness of the Lord.”

The GreenLight team gathered for training for several days before their departure. For most of the trip, they participated as a group in daily devotions, nightly debriefings, and had time to journal each day.

Participants are usually in some stage of the discernment process. They may feel God is calling them into some kind of cross-cultural work but aren’t sure what that looks like yet. Pam and Todd have walked that road before themselves. They previously served as cross-cultural workers (CCWs) in Thailand.

They now live in the US and work as mobilizers with TMS Global, helping the next generation of Christ-followers as they discern where God may be leading them.

The Attaway’s connections from their life in Thailand made this GreenLight trip especially memorable for the participants, as it allowed the group to interact with partner organizations, like people in Bangkok helping boys and ladyboys to find a life outside of sex work.

Abigail’s experience with her art project in the cafe, as well as other moments during the trip confirmed that she was hearing God correctly when she felt a pull towards cross-cultural work.

“I learned I love missions,” Abigail says. “I feel like I always had a heart for it, but now I feel like I know I want to do this. I don’t know what that will look like. I also learned about God. I saw God in ways that changed how I saw myself, which was really incredible.”

Todd and Pam continue to connect with Abigail and other participants as they process how God might be leading them.

“This is not an overnight thing,” Pam says. “This is a process. We continue to pray for each of these students as if they were our own kids.”

Greenlight participant Katy Mason is still in her discernment process.



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"I think something has been triggered and I think it's definitely restarted my desire to do cross-cultural ministry," Katy says. **"The experience was a really powerful learning tool. And it brought me closer to the Lord."**

For her, the experience of community and witnessing the unity of the global Church was really impactful. "There's so much more beyond my narrow vision. I think this trip was very expanding. It was amazing to be a part of different ministries and see how God is working outside of just America."

The Attaways say they love working with Generation Z because people in this group are so passionate about their faith and about reading Scripture. If you know a young adult who may be called to the mission field, encourage them to check out the four upcoming GreenLight trips we have planned by visiting tms-global.org/greenlight.

We praise God for what He is doing through GreenLight, thanks to supporters like you. Your prayers, generosity, and advocacy help connect this next generation of Christ-followers seasoned mentors like the Attaways. Together, we are joining Jesus for local and global impact, not only in this generation, but for generations to come.

By Jenifer Jones

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Butterflies shown were made by boys in art therapy with Abigail.



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As we grieve the loss of our dear friend, Dick McClain, past president of TMS Global, we also praise God for his remarkable life.

"Dick's love for God and for those around the world who do not know Him has energized his whole life and ministry," shared Helen Rhea Stumbo.

Dick's passion and witness are part of our DNA as a community. He has been a key figure on which the groundwork for TMS Global was laid. To learn more about his legacy, visit www.tms-global.org.

Please keep his wife Pam, children Heather, Josh, Joey, and their families in your prayers. In lieu of flowers, per the family's wishes, gifts in memory of Dick can be sent to TMS Global.



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