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# Young Adults in Global Mission Profile 2013-2014

**YOUNG ADULTS IN GLOBAL MISSION** volunteers, ranging in age from 19-29, take the plunge into a *life-changing year-long journey* in communities around the world. As they share their gifts in service, they also receive the gifts of their hosts' hospitality, engaging in relationships of mutuality, interdependence, solidarity and trust.

#### MALAYSIA GCS3005







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#### **HOW THEY SERVE**

Young Adults in Global Mission volunteers in Malaysia accompany the Basel Christian Church of Malaysia on Borneo (East Malaysia) and the Lutheran Church of Malaysia on the peninsular side (West Malaysia). All their placements include elements of education, compassion, and social justice. Volunteers serve in music, art, and congregational ministries. They also serve in education centers for stateless immigrant children, in centers and homes for intellectually and physically disabled persons, in community development programs, with homeless children and teens, and in ministry centers for migrant workers.

#### WHAT THEY LEARN

Volunteers learn what it means to be a person of Christian faith in the culturally diverse and religiously plural Malaysian setting. They gain insight into the complex issues of international labor, migration, and human trafficking through a series of retreats.

#### WHERE THEY SERVE

Malaysia is divided into Eastern and Western sections by the South China Sea, Its population of 28 million is a mixture of Malay, Chinese, Indian, and Indigenous people groups with the majority living on the Malay Peninsula. It is also a country of socio-economic extremes, where the high-tech, glittering wealth of sky-scrapers stands above impoverished inner-city neighborhoods and rural villages. Religiously, Malaysia is predominantly Muslim with significant numbers of Buddhists, Christians and Hindus as well. In both Eastern and Western Malaysia the Christian community consists largely of Chinese, Indian, and indigenous peoples.

#### SAY "YES" TO THESE YOUNG ADULTS

Your gifts and prayers make a difference. The full cost to support one volunteer's year of service is only \$11,000.

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