

WACC Scholar Profile: Mr Lwin Min Win, Myanmar

Lwin is a WACC scholar who studied MA in Communication at the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies, a one-year degree validated by the University of Leeds that he finished in 2003. His dissertation focused on strategies for the Baptist Mission Bicentenary that will take place in 2013.



The MA helped him enhance his understanding of communication issues, as well as giving him skills in media and in management and Christian leadership. He returned to Yangon where he now heads Logos Studios, the communication department of the Myanmar Baptist Convention. Lwin takes over this position from another WACC scholar and CentCom director Mehm Tun Than who has retired.

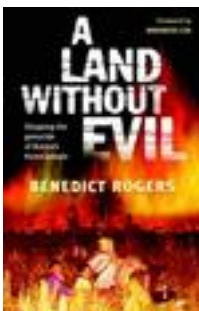
Lwin is responsible for editing the monthly magazine 'Messenger of Compassion' and for producing VCDs and other recorded products such as audiotapes. Currently he is editing a Karaoke VCD of Christmas Songs and Carols. Karaoke is widely enjoyed in Myanmar and he is seeking permission to freely and openly distribute the VCDs. Another current project is audiotapes for working women, for use in

factories and similar locations, with biblical reflections and stimulating and educational content with Christian values.

"The general situation in Myanmar is difficult", says Lwin, adding that many feel that for the normal citizen life is getting harder. There were political struggles late last year that have affected everyone. "We Christians are trying simply to be faithful witnesses" he says "and to overcome the daily difficulties we encounter".

"We are trying to play mediator role between military and insurgents, and ethnic groups. Although the military has announced a seven step road map it may take a long time to achieve, so long that we cannot be certain it will happen."

"People outside can help by keeping us in their prayers, we need reconciliation and true peace. They can also help by learning about Myanmar and the difficulties we are suffering".



For an unflinching and Christian view of Myanmar today, recommended reading is A Land Without Evil, Stopping the Genocide of Burma's Karen People by Benedict Rogers available through the [Ekklesia bookshop](#) .